

# The Church of St. Bernard of Clairvaux & St. Stanislaus Kostka

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*The people of St. Bernard of Clairvaux and St. Stanislaus Kostka are a "Living Mosaic of God's People," who seek salvation through worship, education, stewardship and service, proclaiming our faith in God and in our heritages.*

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## **OFFICE HOURS**

**Sunday:** Closed or by appointment

**Monday - Friday:** 10:00 am-2:00 pm

**Saturday:** Closed or by appointment

## *Second* SUNDAY OF **LENT**

**This is my Son,  
whom I have chosen;  
listen to him.**

LUKE 9:35



**BAPTISM:** Celebrated throughout the year in accordance with the policy of the Archdiocese and to accommodate the needs of our Parish Family. Attendance at a preparation session may be required. You must be a registered and active family for at least 90 days before a date for Baptism will be scheduled. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements should be made with a priest as soon as possible. One year prior to marriage or as soon as engagement is announced is recommended.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Levels 1 - 8:** Wednesday,  
6:30 - 7:45 pm

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** In the event of serious illness or when someone is hospitalized, the parish office should be notified. The Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated with anyone requesting them. Remember, the Hospital cannot notify us on their own.

## **CHOIR**

We are fortunate enough to have a Parish Choir that has a full multi-lingual repertoire: English, Polish and Spanish. The Choir rehearses on Thursday at 7:00 PM. Instrumentalists are welcomed, either to play solo or with our choir. A parish orchestra made up of adults performs several times during the year. If you are interested in joining or for more information or just to volunteer, contact the office at (908) 756-3393.

## **PARISH REGISTRATION**

New parishioners are most welcome and are encouraged to call the parish office and make an appointment to register. When you are moving from the parish, please notify the parish office.

## **SPONSOR CERTIFICATES**

Call the Office during regular hours.

## **STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING**

Stewardship calls us to freely give of our time, talent, and treasure for the good of our parish family and community. God gives us everything! I give Him back my tithe. Tithing is God's plan to support His Church. Full tithing means 10% of gross income to God – 5% for your parish church and 5 % for other charities.

## **VOCATIONS**

Those who are recognizing the call to the priesthood, diaconate, or the religious life are invited to speak to a priest or contact the Archdiocesan Vocations Office at 973-497-4365 or on the website [www.rcan.org/vocation/index.htm](http://www.rcan.org/vocation/index.htm)

## **ST. BARTHOLOMEW ACADEMY**

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### **Saturday – March 15... Lenten Weekday**

9:00AM...+ Carlo Riello, req. Antonia Riello  
5:00PM...+ Lily Nelson, req. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Barrow

### **Sunday – March 16...Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00AM...+ Megan Renee Canavesio,  
req. Mom, Karole, Brother and Sister  
11:00AM...+ Genowefa i Józef Grzelak, req. Córka i rodzina  
...+ Józef Błażejowicz, req. Żona i dzieci  
... Agnieszka i Marek, rocznica ślubu  
1:00PM...+ Liam Connor Noonan, req. Kruse Family

### **Monday – March 17... St. Patrick**

9:00AM...+ Maddalena Negri, req. Angela Negri

### **Tuesday March 18... St. Cyril**

9:00AM ...+ José Jesús Duque, req. Alba Ledy Cuartas

### **Wednesday – March 19... St. Joseph**

9:00AM...+ Dolores Sally Young, req. Johanna Merkle

### **Thursday – March 20...Lenten Weekday**

9:00AM... + People of the Parish

### **Friday – March 21...Lenten Weekday**

9:00AM...+ Thomas McDonnell III, req. Linda Scheidemann

### **Saturday – March 22... Lenten Weekday**

9:00AM..... Health of Jackie Kush Powers, req. MHS Friends  
5:00PM...+ Mary and Edward Chanda, req. Mary Ellen Chanda

### **Sunday – March 23...Third Sunday of Lent**

9:00AM.... + Msgr. Fimiani, req. Johanna Merkle  
11:00AM...+ Franciszek Kapolka (5 Rocznica)  
req. Brat i Rodzina  
... Tadeusz Deręgowski, req. Żona i Dzieci  
1:00PM...People of the Parish

The Tabernacle Candle will burn this week in **Memory of Franciszek Kapolka, at the request of the Family.**

The Bread and Wine for the Month of March is in **Memory of Meagan Renee Canavesio, é req. Karole Lechowski, Mother.**

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for those whose health is challenged in any way especially **Cathy and Jack Rooney, Marian Parcinski, Olivia Schiffer, Al Caraldo, Janet Berry, Jackie Powers and Margaret Macknowsky.**

**OUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for all the **Faithful Departed.**

### **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

#### **First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18**

God told Abram that he would give him the land of Egypt and his descendants would become a great people. Abram then made sacrifices to God, cutting them in half. A torch passed between the pieces, as a visible sign to Abram of God's promise.

#### **Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1**

Paul urges the Philippians to avoid becoming too interested in material possessions. He reminds them that their most important wealth is their faith in Jesus, which will lead them to eternal life.

#### **Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36**

Jesus took Peter, John and James to a mountain to pray. When his clothes grew incredibly white, Moses and Elijah appeared. They spoke of the scripture he was to fulfill. Then a cloud came down and a voice said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." The disciples who had seen Jesus' glory did not disclose this experience to anyone until much later.

## Lenten Scripture Sharing

The Scripture readings for Lent are particularly rich and a major source of help in living a good Lent. Everyone is welcome to join us on Monday evenings to meditate together on the readings for the upcoming Sunday with Fr. Marcin.

**Experience the power of the Word of God!!!**

**Mondays of Lent at 6:00PM**

in the Community room.

**Continuing Monday! March 17th**

**Stations of the Cross  
Fridays during Lent**

**6:00PM - English**

**7:00PM – Polish**



**Religious Education Classes are on**

**Wednesdays at 6:30PM.**

*All Religious Education children are required to attend Sunday Mass every weekend and have their Mass Attendance Books signed.*



## PRAYER SHAWL

We are continuing to make baby blankets for our Baptisms and lap covers for those in hospitals.

**We have plenty of yarn for you.**

If you are able to crochet or knit and would like to help, please call Karole in the office.



- Visit: [www.formed.org/signup](http://www.formed.org/signup)
- Find **St. Bernard and St. Stanislaus** by parish name, address, or zip code
- Enter your email – and you are in.

## BestChurch Seniors

The BestChurch Seniors are back this **Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** **Celebrating St. Joseph and St. Patrick.** Meeting will be in the Parish Community Room on George Street, using the side entrance.

*All seniors or almost Seniors are invited to join in fellowship, entertainment, or just ordinary fun, the third Thursday of the month in the Parish Center, and as always, ... you may invite a friend.*



## ROSARY SOCIETY

The Rosary is prayed every day before the 9AM Mass, including praying the Divine Mercy.

On Thursdays the *Blessed Sacrament* is exposed after 9AM Mass with Benediction at 10:45AM.



**Why not become a member?**

**Rehearsals are at 7:00PM on Thursdays.**

If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact the office, or simply just come to one of our rehearsals in the church at 7PM.

## Liturgy of the Word

**March 23** Liturgy of the Word is about breaking open the

**Word of God for young children**

that is more appropriate for their level of understanding. It is celebrated at the 9AM Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month for grades K-2, in the Church Chapel.



**We need help with the children's liturgy on Sundays. Please contact Karole if you want to help.**

## CHAIR EXERCISE for Seniors

A gentle practice in which postures are performed while seated and/or with the aid of a chair. Patty Casterline has offered to orchestrate the classes weekly for about 4 weeks as she has in the past. In order to make this happen, we need know how many would be interested in joining. We have already started a sign up sheet, so if you are interested call the office for more information and proposed dates and times for classes.





## Polskie Duszpasterstwo w Parafii św. Bernarda i św. Stanisława Kostki



### Kazanie św. Leona Wielkiego, papieża

Pan ukazał przed wybranymi świadkami swoją chwałę i tę postać cielesną, którą dzielił wspólnie z innymi, rozjaśnił takim blaskiem, że Jego twarz stała się podobna do blasku słońca, a szaty dorównywały bieli śniegu.

W przemienieniu Chrystusa chodziło głównie o to, aby z serc uczniów usunąć zgorszenie krzyża i by uniżenie dobrowolnie przyjętej męki nie zakłóciło wiary tych, którym została objawiona wspianłość ukrytej godności.

Z nie mniejszą też troską podbudowywał Pan swoim przemienieniem nadzieję Kościoła świętego w tym celu, by całe ciało Chrystusowe dowiedziało się, jaką zostało obdarowane mocą przemiany, i aby wszystkie jego członki mogły się spodziewać udziału w tej chwale, którą wcześniej rozbłysła Głowa.

Powiedział już o tym sam Pan, gdy mówił o majestacie swojego przyjścia: "Wtedy sprawiedliwi jaśnieć będą jak słońce w królestwie Ojca swego". To samo głosi św. Paweł Apostoł: "Sądzę, że utrapienia obecnego czasu nie są godne przyszłej chwały, która się ma w nas objawić". I znowu: "Umarliście i życie wasze jest ukryte z Chrystusem w Bogu. Gdy się ukaże Chrystus, życie wasze, wtedy i wy razem z Nim ukażecie się w chwale".

W cudzie przemienienia, który miał utwierdzić apostołów i doprowadzić ich do wszelkiej wiedzy, kryje się jeszcze inne pouczenie.

Oto bowiem w czasie jego trwania ukazał się Mojżesz i Eliaz (to znaczy Prawo i prorocy) rozmawiający z Panem, aby w obecności owych pięciu mężów dopełniło się jak najprawdziej to, o czym powiedziano: "Na słowie dwóch albo trzech świadków opiera się cała sprawa".

Cóż jest bardziej stałego i mocniejszego od słowa, w którego przepowiadaniu brzmi trąba Starego i Nowego Testamentu, a z nauką Ewangelii rozbrzmiewają wspólnie instrumenty starodawnych obietnic?

Przystają bowiem nawzajem do siebie stronice obydwu przymierzy i Ten, którego wcześniejsze znaki obiecywały pod zasłoną tajemnic, ukazuje się teraz wyraźny i przejrzysty w blasku obecnej chwały. Albowiem jak powiedział św. Jan: "Prawo zostało nadane przez Mojżesza, łaska zaś i prawda przyszły przez Jezusa Chrystusa". W Nim stała się rzeczywistością obietnica zawarta w prorockich figurach i dopełniło się to wszystko, ku czemu zmierzały nakazy Prawa, ponieważ On przez swoją obecność stwierdza prawdę przepowiedni, a łaską swoją czyni możliwym zachowywanie przykazań.

Niechże więc przez głoszenie świętej Ewangelii utwierdzi się wiara wszystkich chrześcijan i niechaj nikt się nie wstydzi Chrystusowego krzyża, przez który świat został odkupiony. Z tego też powodu niech się nikt nie boi cierpieć dla sprawiedliwości ani niech nie wątpi w osiągnięcie obiecanej nagrody, ponieważ przez pracę zdąża się do wytnięcia i przez śmierć do życia. Skoro Chrystus przyjął na siebie całą słabość naszej nędzy, z Nim razem zwyciężymy to, co On zwyciężył, i otrzymamy wszystko, co nam obiecał, jeśli tylko będziemy trwać w wierze i miłości względem Niego.

Zarówno bowiem w zachowywaniu przykazań, jak i w znoszeniu przeciwności winien w naszych uszach brzmieć uprzedzający głos Ojca: "To jest mój Syn umiłowany, w którym mam upodobanie, Jego słuchajcie".

### Szkoła Polska Doksztalająca

Zajęcia w Polskiej Szkole działającej przy naszej Parafii odbywają się w każdy poniedziałek w okresie roku szkolnego od godz. 5:30 do 8:00PM.

**Kontakt:** [polskaszkolaplainfield@outlook.com](mailto:polskaszkolaplainfield@outlook.com)

Dyrektorka Szkoły: Beata Benewiat  
Tel. 732-266-4310

LG tom II: I Niedziela Wielkiego Postu, str. 122-124

**30 Marca** – Rekolekcje Parafialne.  
Rozpoczną się mszą o godz. 11

## 2025 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "Paschal Fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) **smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

*Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.*

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 9 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 15, 2025.**

\*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

## STEWARDSHIP

### 2nd Sunday of Lent

*"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." - GENESIS 15:7*

Cardinal Joseph Tobin, C.Ss.R. –

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?



**Most Rev. Elias R. Lorenzo, O.S.B.**  
*Regional Bishop for Union County*  
**ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK**

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office  
306 Morris Ave., Summit, NJ 07901

During the season of Lent, our Jubilee Church in Westfield, St. Helen's Parish, is hosting a series on the Eucharist and all parishes are welcome to attend the series on five consecutive Thursday evenings. This five-part series is modeled after the evening sessions of the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis last summer.

The first four sessions will start with music and prayer. One of the talks from the congress will be followed by a personal testimony and then Eucharistic Adoration with prayer and music. (Prayer, Speakers and Holy Hour)

The final session is a celebration with an introduction to the "walk with one" initiative from the Eucharistic Congress with tips on how to walk with one this Easter Season.

**Each remaining session begins at 7 PM and the breakout is as follows:**

- **March 20: Eucharistic Identity (Church)**
- **March 27: Eucharistic Life (Church)**
- **April 3: Eucharistic Mission (Church)**
- **April 10: "Walk with One" Celebration (Gym)**

### **New Mass Schedule:**

*After Easter 2025 we will add a Spanish Mass to our Sunday Mass schedule. The new schedule will be:*

**9:00 AM - English**

**10:30 AM - Polish**

**12:00 PM - English**

**1:30 PM – Spanish**

*This new mass schedule will start on*  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter, April 27<sup>th</sup>**



### **OPERATION RICE BOWL**

Your Lenten almsgiving through CRS Rice Bowl **make a global difference for millions of**

**our sisters and brothers experiencing the greatest need.** Please take a rice bowl home, place it on your family's dinner table for your Lenten Almsgiving and return it to church at the end of Lent.

**Rice Bowl boxes are located at all the entrances of the church. Your help will be greatly appreciated.**

## *The Saint of the Week*



*March 19th*

Everything we know about the husband of Mary and the foster father of Jesus comes from Scripture, and that has seemed too little for those who made up legends about him.

We know he was a carpenter, a working man, for the skeptical Nazarenes ask about Jesus, "Is this not the carpenter's son?" He wasn't rich, for when he took Jesus to the Temple to be circumcised and Mary to be purified, he offered the sacrifice of two turtledoves or a pair of pigeons, allowed only for those who could not afford a lamb.

Despite his humble work and means, Joseph came from a royal lineage. Luke and Matthew disagree some about the details of Joseph's genealogy, but they both mark his descent from David, the greatest king of Israel. Indeed, the angel who first tells Joseph about Jesus greets him as "son of David," a royal title used also for Jesus.

We know Joseph was a compassionate, caring man. When he discovered Mary was pregnant after they had been betrothed, he knew the child was not his but was as yet unaware that she was carrying the Son of God. He knew women accused of adultery could be stoned to death, so he resolved to send her away quietly to not expose her to shame or cruelty. An angel came to Joseph in a dream and told him, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." He did as the angel told him and took Mary as his wife.

When the angel came again to tell him that his family was in danger, he immediately left

everything he owned, all his family and friends, and fled to a strange country with his young wife and the baby. He waited in Egypt without question until the angel told him it was safe to go back.

We know Joseph loved Jesus. His one concern was for the safety of this child entrusted to him. Not only did he leave his home to protect Jesus, but upon his return settled in the obscure town of Nazareth out of fear for Jesus' life. When Jesus stayed in the Temple we are told Joseph (along with Mary) searched with great anxiety for three days for Him. We also know that Joseph treated Jesus as his own son, for over and over the people of Nazareth say of Jesus, "Is this not the son of Joseph?"

We know Joseph respected God. He followed God's commands in handling the situation with Mary and going to Jerusalem to have Jesus circumcised and Mary purified after Jesus' birth. We are told that he took his family to Jerusalem every year for Passover, something that could not have been easy for a working man.

Since Joseph does not appear in Jesus' public life, at His death, or resurrection, many historians believe Joseph probably had died before Jesus entered public ministry.

Joseph is the patron saint of the dying because, assuming he died before Jesus' public life, he died with Jesus and Mary close to him, the way we all would like to leave this earth.

Joseph is also patron saint of the Universal Church, families, fathers, expectant mothers (pregnant women), travelers, immigrants, house sellers and buyers, craftsmen, engineers, and working people in general.

We celebrate two feast days for Joseph: March 19 for Joseph the Husband of Mary and May 1 for Joseph the Worker. March 19 has been the most commonly celebrated feast day for Joseph, and it wasn't until 1955 that Pope Pius XII established the Feast of "St. Joseph the Worker" to be celebrated on May 1. This is also May Day (International Workers' Day) and believed to reflect Joseph's status as the patron of workers.

In art, Joseph is typically portrayed as an older man, with grey hair and a beard, often balding, sometimes appearing frail and a marginal figure next to Mary and Jesus, if not entirely in the background. Some statues of Joseph show his staff topped with flowers. St. Joseph is shown with the attributes of a carpenter's square or tools, the infant Jesus, his lily blossomed staff, two turtle doves, or a spikenard.





# ANNUAL<sup>2025</sup> APPEAL

The 2025 Annual Appeal has begun!

We are grateful to share that we have already received **\$9,620** in pledges—thank you to all who have given so generously! Your support of the 2025 Annual Appeal helps sustain the mission of Christ in our Archdiocese. Please help our parish reach our goal by June 30 and possibly receive financial incentives!

Our goal of **\$30,181.02** can only be reached through your generosity and sacrifice. If you have not yet made your gift, we invite you to prayerfully consider doing so. To make an online gift, please visit [rcan.org/sharing](http://rcan.org/sharing).

Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithful support of our Catholic mission.  
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## COLLECTION FOR MARCH 9TH

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IN PEW	\$ 3,483
TOTAL	\$ 5,005



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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on a regular basis on Saturdays at 4:15PM and on Sunday mornings after Masses as well as after weekday Masses simply by requesting a celebration of the Sacrament.

*From Fr. Marcin’s Desk*

**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

On this Second Sunday of Lent, the liturgy reveals to us Jesus transfigured on the mountain, which is the place of light, a fascinating symbol of the unique experience reserved for the three disciples. They go up the mountain with the Master, they see Him immersed in prayer and, at a certain point, “the appearance of his countenance was altered.” Accustomed to seeing Him daily in the simple appearance of His humanity, they are astonished as they face that new splendor that also envelops His entire body. Moses and Elijah appear beside Jesus and speak with Him about His Paschal death and Resurrection.

The Transfiguration occurs at a precise moment in Christ’s mission, that is, after He has confided to His disciples that He would have to “suffer many things, be killed, and on the third day be raised.” Jesus knows that they do not accept the reality of the Cross, and so He wants to prepare them to withstand the scandal of the passion and death on the Cross. This is also our way. No one can reach eternal life if not by following Jesus, carrying their own cross in their earthly life. Each of us has his or her own cross. The Lord reveals to us the end of this journey, which is the Resurrection, by carrying one’s own cross.

In this Lent, we are invited to go up the mountain with Jesus! Let us climb the mountain with prayer: silent prayer, heartfelt prayer, prayer that always seeks the Lord. Prayer allows us to see the transfigured cross of our life. The light of Christ enlightens the reality of our life.

Jesus was immersed in an intimate dialogue with the Father, which the Law and the Prophets — Moses and Elijah — also echoed; and as He adhered with His entire being to the Father’s will of salvation, including the Cross, the glory of God flooded Him, even shining on the outside. This is how prayer in Christ and in the Holy Spirit transforms the person from the inside and can illuminate others and the surrounding world.

**In the Love of God,**

*Fr. Marcin Fuks*

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