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NEW MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY MASS OF ANTICIPATION

5:00PM- English

SUNDAY

9:00AM – English
10:30AM – Polish
12:00PM – English
1:30PM – Spanish

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL, BUT THE WORKERS ARE FEW.



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Saturday and Sunday: Closed
or by appointment
Monday - Friday: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATIONS

Saturday: 4:15 pm
By request: After Mass
Sunday - Saturday: Mornings

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday – July 5... St. Anthony Zaccaria

and St. Elizabeth of Portugal

9:00AM...+Gayle Ann Cassidy, req. Leone Family

5:00PM... People of the Parish

Sunday – July 6... 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM... The Health of Jackie Kush- Powers,
req. Friends - Class of '64 MHS Lunch Group

10:30AM...+Ksiądz Adam Watroba, req. Zielonka Rodziną

12:00 Noon...World Peace

1:30PM ... + People of the Parish

Monday – July 7... Weekday

9:00AM... + Angelina Esolda, req. Antonia Riello

Tuesday – July 8... Weekday

9:00AM...+ God's Protection and Thanksgiving
for the Family of James Amadin

Wednesday – July 9... St. Augustine Zhao Rong

9:00AM... + Lenny Shaughnessy, req. Johanna Merkle

Thursday – July 10... Weekday

9:00AM... + God's Mercy for the starving
Palestine people in Gaza

Friday – July 11... St. Benedict

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

Saturday – July 12... Weekday

9:00AM... People of the Parish

5:00PM...+ Robert Chanda, req. Mary Ellen Chanda

Sunday – July 13... 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM... +Frank Kazmierski, req. Naldi and Gough Families

10:30AM...+ Lucyna Zielińska, req. Samul Family

...+ Gertrude Backiel, req. Córka z Rodziną

12:00 Noon...+ Theresa and Frank Addario, req. Family

1:30PM ...+ People of the Parish

CHOIR

The choir will be taking a break for the Summer!!

Are you thinking about
joining the Choir?

Why not



If you are interested in more information, you may call the office, stop by after 9AM Sunday Mass to talk to our Cantor. There are some beautiful voices in our congregation...We would love for you to join to enhance our Choir.

Choir Covered Dish Dinner,

Mondy, July 7th in the Parish Center at 7:00PM.

The Tabernacle Candle will burn this week in **Memory of all our Parish Deceased.**

The Bread and Wine for the **Month of July** is in **Memory of the Canavesio Family** at the request of Dennis and Lindsay.

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

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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c

Isaiah instructs the people of Jerusalem to rejoice, because God would restore her prosperity. The people will better understand God's power through their homeland's restoration.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18

Paul describes the sign of the cross of Jesus as all that is significant. Following the old laws is unimportant. Instead, being baptized in Christ and adhering to his ideals is what matters most.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17- 20

Jesus sent forth seventy-two disciples to preach his good news, telling them "The harvest is rich, but the workers few." He also gave them detailed instructions on how to act towards the people. Jesus then reminded them not to be happy because of their power over evil, but to rejoice in the salvation they would achieve.

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.



ROSARY SOCIETY

The Rosary is prayed every day before the 9AM Mass followed by the Divine Mercy Prayers. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Thursdays after the Rosary concluding with Benediction at 10:45AM.



Religious

Education

2025 - 2026

Late Registration: August 18–September 8
-Plus, Late fee of \$20-

Registration received after September 8, will incur a late fee of \$50.

Mark Your Calendars!



Newark Archdiocesan Jubilee Year Pilgrimage

**Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception**
Washington, DC

Saturday, October 18, 2025



Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.

We are inviting you to join our
parish for a one-day pilgrimage
to Washington DC.

**Those interested, please
contact the office!!!**





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

XIV niedziela zwykła "C"

W dzisiejszej Ewangelji, Jezus rozesłał 72 uczniów aby przygotować jego wejście do Jerozolimy. Misja 72 jest typową misją zwiastunów, którzy nie przychodzą we własnym imieniu, ale mają anonsować nadejście kogoś naprawdę ważnego. Dlatego ich pierwszym słowem ma być „pokój”.

Misja siedemdziesięciu dwóch uczniów rozesłanych by nieść pokój, uzdrawiać i ogłaszać bliskość Królestwa Bożego jest zapowiedzią posłania, które definitywnie dokona się po zmartwychwstaniu Jezusa: „Idźcie na cały świat i głoście Ewangelię wszelkiemu stworzeniu!”. W pierwszym rozdziale Dziejów Apostolskich Łukasz uszczegóławia tę misję słowami Zbawiciela: „gdy Duch Święty zstąpi na was, otrzymacie Jego moc i będziecie moimi świadkami w Jerozolimie i w całej Judei, i w Samarii, i aż po krańce ziemi”.

Warto przyjrzeć się temu, co zagraża ewangelizatorom, którzy są posłani „jak jagnięta w środek wilków”. Pod obrazem wilków w Biblii kryją się: władcy dopuszczający się nieprawości, pełni chciwości, bezczeszczący Boże prawa oraz prorocy ukrywający ich winy, głosząc zwodnicze słowa; stróże Izraela (prorocy i kapłani), którzy szukają swego zysku i przyjemności doczesnych; fałszywi prorocy, których działalność nie przynosi dobrych owoców; ludzie (zarówno z zewnątrz jak i spośród samych chrześcijan) głoszący przewrotne nauki, aby pozyskać sobie uczniów oraz po prostu wielu spośród tych, którym uczniowie będą głosić Dobrą Nowinę.

Trzeba podkreślić szczególną rolę przywódców religijnych ludu, do których należało rozpoznanie Mesjasza i wskazanie go ludowi. Nie czyniąc tego sami włączyli się w grono wilków. Działalność wilków pochodzi wprost od diabła, bowiem porywanie i rozpraszanie jest jego typowym zachowaniem. Krótkie rozważanie na temat wilków jest to o tyle istotne, że pomimo ich obecności uczniowie Jezusa byli w stanie wypełnić powierzoną im misję i powrócili pełni radości. Dziś także uczniowie Jezusa są posłani „jak jagnięta w środek wilków”. I biada tym uczniom, którzy chcieliby tę misję pełnić uzbrojeni w inne środki niż dar pokoju, moc uzdrawiania chorych i prawdę o bliskości Królestwa Bożego.

Najważniejsza mowa katechetyczna Jezusa to Kazanie na Górze. Ten, kto głosi Ewangelię musi najpierw być osobie świadkiem tego Słowa: „Nie martwcie się o swoje życie, o to, co macie jeść i pić, ani o swoje ciało, czym się macie przyodziąć. Czyż życie nie znaczy więcej niż pokarm, a ciało więcej niż odzienie? Przypatrzcie się ptakom w powietrzu: nie sieją ani żną i nie zbierają do spichrzów, a Ojciec wasz niebieski je żywi. Czyż wy nie jesteście ważniejsi niż one? Kto z was przy całej swej trosce może choćby jedną chwilę dolożyć do wieku swego życia? A o odzieniu czemu się zbytnio troszczycie? Przypatrzcie się lilii na polu, jak rosną: nie pracują ani przędą. A powiadam wam: nawet Salomon w całym swoim przepychu nie był tak ubrany jak jedna z nich. Jeśli więc ziele na polu, które dziś jest, a jutro do pieca będzie wrzucone, Bóg tak przyodziewa, to czyż nie tym bardziej was, małej wiary? Nie martwcie się więc i nie


mówcie: co będziemy jeść? co będziemy pić? czym będziemy się przyodziewać? Bo o to wszystko poganie zabiegają. Przecież Ojciec wasz niebieski wie, że tego wszystkiego potrzebujecie. Starajcie się naprzód o królestwo Boga i o Jego sprawiedliwość, a to wszystko będzie wam dodane.” Aby to Słowo realizować, Jezus posyła każdego ze swoich uczniów „w ubóstwie ludzkich środków”, aby jawną się stała Boża obecność. A wtedy niezależnie od ilości tych, którzy przyjmą misjonarzy lub tych, którzy ich odrzuca, pierwszym i niezastąpionym owocem misji jest radość tych, którzy żyli w czasie misji opierając się jedynie na mocy Słowa Bożego. Ta radość staje się także natychmiast narzędziem głoszenia Dobrej Nowiny.

Ewangelizacja z dobrze zorganizowanym zapleczem, pełnym zasobów, z zabezpieczeniem wygodnego życia i opierająca się na relacjach emocjonalnych, nie jest dziełem według woli Jezusa. Dlatego powołanie ewangelizatorów musi uwzględnić przejście przez „potrójne sito” gdzie każdy, kto czuje się powołany i chce być uczniem Jezusa, powinien zamierzyć się z prawdą o sobie w relacji do pieniędzy, umiłowania wygodnego, spokojnego życia i swojej afektywności – relacji do swoich bliskich i relacji, jakie nawiązuje z innymi. Oczekiwanie wygody lub wynagrodzenie w działalności apostolskiej natychmiast pozbawia koniecznej wolności w głoszeniu Słowa. A jeśli szukamy akceptacji swojej rodziny czy swoich bliskich przy podejmowanych dziełach, w sposób podobny, niedojrzały, będziemy nawiązywać relacja z tymi, do których zostaliśmy posłani. Misjonarz, który nie został uzdrowiony, na przykład z nadopiekuńczej miłości swojej matki lub nadmiernego autorytaryzmu swego ojca, będzie budował tak samo niedojrzałe relacje emocjonalne z tymi, do których jest posłany.


W tym świetle bardzo interesująco przedstawia się przypowieść o minach, , gdzie bardzo mocno podkreślony jest aspekt pracy nie dla siebie samego, ale dla właściciela pieniędzy. Brzmi to dobitnie zwłaszcza w dialogu z ostatnim ze sług: „Następny przyszedł i rzekł: „Panie, tu jest twoja mina, którą trzymałem zawiniętą w chustecę. Lękałem się bowiem ciebie, bo jesteś człowiekiem surowym: chcesz brać, czegoś nie położył, i żąć, czegoś nie posiał”. Odpowiedział mu: „Według słów twoich sądzę cię, zły sługo! Wiedziałeś, że jestem człowiekiem surowym: chcę brać, gdzie nie położyłem, i żąć, gdzie nie posiał. Czemu więc nie dałeś moich pieniędzy do banku? A ja po powrocie byłbym je z zyskiem odebrał”.

Tylko ten niesie pokój i przybliża Królestwo Boże, kto nie szuka własnych korzyści i jest wolny od lęku, który paraliżuje w wypełnianiu powierzonej misji.

Ks. Marcin Warowny



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The Saint of the Week



July 11

St. Benedict is believed to have been born around 480, as the son to a Roman noble of Norcia and the twin to his sister, Scholastica.

In the fifth century, the young Benedict was sent to Rome to finish his education. The subject that dominated a young man's study then was rhetoric -- the art of persuasive speaking. Benedict watched in horror as vice unraveled the lives and ethics of other students. Afraid for his soul, Benedict fled Rome, gave up his inheritance and lived in a small village with his nurse. When God called him beyond this quiet life to an even deeper solitude, he went to the mountains of Subiaco.

One day, during his time living in a cave above a lake as a hermit, the Devil presented Benedict's imagination with a beautiful, tempting woman. Benedict resisted by rolling his body into a thorn bush until it was covered in scrapes. It is said through these body wounds, he cured the wounds of his soul.

After years of prayer, word of his holiness brought nearby monks to ask for his leadership. He warned them he would be too strict for them, but they insisted. The story goes, the monks attempted to poison Benedict's drink, but when he prayed a blessing over the cup - it shattered. The next set of followers were sincerer, and he set up twelve monasteries in Subiaco where monks lived in separate communities of twelve.

But it was in Monte Cassino he founded the monastery that became the roots of the Church's monastic system. Instead of founding small separate communities, he gathered his disciples into one whole community. His own sister, Saint Scholastica, settled nearby to live a religious life.

After almost 1,500 years of monastic tradition his direction seems obvious to us. However, Benedict

was an innovator. No one had ever set up communities like his before or directed them with a rule. What is part of history to us now was a bold, risky step into the future.

Benedict had the holiness and the ability to take this step. His beliefs and instructions on religious life were collected in what is now known as the Rule of Saint Benedict.

In this Rule, Benedict put what he had learned about the power of speaking and oratorical rhythms at the service of the Gospel. He did not drop out of school because he did not understand the subject! Scholars have told us that his Rule reflects an understanding of and skill with the rhetorical rules of the time. Benedict did not shun rhetoric because it had been used to seduce people to vice; he reformed it.

He did not want to lose the power of voice to reach up to God simply because others had used it to sink down to the gutter. He reminded us "Let us consider our place in sight of God and of his angels. Let us rise in chanting that our hearts and voices harmonize." There was always a voice reading aloud in his communities at meals, to receive guests, to educate novices.

Benedict realized the strongest and truest foundation for the power of words was the Word of God itself. He had experienced the power of God's Word as expressed in Scripture.

For prayer, Benedict turned to the psalms, the very songs and poems from the Jewish liturgy that Jesus himself had prayed. To join our voices with Jesus in praise of God during the day was so important that Benedict called it the "Work of God."

It wasn't enough to just speak the words. Benedict instructed his followers to practice sacred reading -- the study of the very Scriptures they would be praying in the Work of God. In this *lectio divina*, he and his monks memorized the Scripture, studied it, and contemplated it until it became part of their being. Four to six hours were set aside each day for this sacred reading. If monks had free time it "should be used by the brothers to practice psalms."

In Benedictine prayer, our hearts are the vessel empty of thoughts and intellectual striving. All that remains is the trust in God's providence to fill us. Emptying ourselves this way brings God's abundant goodness bubbling up in our hearts, first with an inspiration or two, and finally overflowing our heart with contemplative love.

Benedict died on 21 March 543, not long after his sister. It is said he died with high fever on the very day God told him he would. He is the patron saint of Europe and students.

Calling All Women of Faith!

We are excited to announce the re-launch of the **Parish Women's Faith and Fellowship Group** at **St. Bernard of Clairvaux and St. Stanislaus Kostka!** This revitalized ministry invites women of all ages and backgrounds to deepen their relationship with Christ, build meaningful connections with one another, and live out their faith through prayer, Scripture, service, and fellowship.

Our monthly gatherings will focus on the lives of women in the Bible, like Sarah, Judith, Esther, and Mary, offering rich insights and spiritual inspiration. Each session will include prayer, faith-sharing, discussion, and time for fellowship over food. We will also offer special Lenten programming, service opportunities, and parish events.

Whether you're a mother, grandmother, student, professional, or seeking a place to belong, this group is for you. We support each other wherever we are on our faith journeys, and we believe every woman has a role to play in the life of the Church.

Why are women's faith groups so important?

They provide sacred spaces for women to grow spiritually, share their struggles and joys, and find strength in community. In today's fast-paced, often isolating world, women need places where they are seen, heard, and valued, not only for what they do, but for who they are in Christ. Faith groups offer encouragement, deepen biblical understanding, and create lasting friendships rooted in Christ's love. They also empower women to become spiritual leaders in their homes, parishes, and communities.

Together, we discover that we are not alone, and that through our stories, prayers, and support, we become more fully alive in our faith. Women's groups are places of healing, purpose, and mission, where we can listen to God and to each other, discerning how the Spirit is calling us to serve and grow.

Join us and become part of a vibrant sisterhood dedicated to growing in faith and love. **Our first meeting will be held in September in the Parish Center. Stay tuned for more details, and bring a friend! For more information or to be involved in the planning, please contact Mary Landriau, mlandriau703@verizon.net.**

STEWARDSHIP

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He said to them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...'" Luke 10:2

As Catholics we are all called to serve. Each of us has been given "charisms" otherwise known as gifts from the Holy Spirit to help build God's Church. Our charisms can only be used for good. We know that we are using them in the right ministry when we are filled with joy and we want to share stories about our charitable works. Discern how God is calling you to use your charisms. Say "yes" to what God is calling you to do and then do it! Share your joy and invite others to do the same

Domingo 14^o del Tiempo Ordinario

«Y les decía: 'La cosecha es mucha, pero los obreros pocos'..." Lucas 10:2.

Como católicos somos llamados a servir. A cada uno de nosotros se nos han dado "carismas", también conocidos como dones del Espíritu Santo, para ayudarnos a edificar la Iglesia de Dios. Nuestros carismas solo pueden ser utilizados para el bien. Sabemos que los utilizamos en el ministerio correcto cuando nos llenamos de alegría y queremos compartir historias acerca de nuestras obras de caridad. Discierna como Dios lo llama a utilizar sus carismas. ¡Diga "sí" a lo que Dios le pide y hágalo! Comparta su alegría e invite a los demás a hacer lo mismo.



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ANNUAL²⁰²⁵ APPEAL

We are grateful to share that we have already received **\$28,663** 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!

We are missing only **\$1,518**.

Our goal is **\$30,181.02**. 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.

Thank you for your prayers, your generosity, and your faithful support of our Catholic mission. May God bless you abundantly!



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From Fr. Marcin's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Gospel this Sunday speaks to us about the missionary spirit of announcing the Gospel to all! The 72 disciples are sent to the villages, two by two, to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is close at hand. Christ, trains them straight away for the mission, to go forth.

Their purpose is very important: to proclaim the Kingdom of God, and this is urgent! It is still urgent today! There is no time to be lost in gossip, there is no need to wait for everyone's consensus. What is necessary is to go out and proclaim. To all people you bring the peace of Christ, and if they do not welcome it, you go ahead just the same. To the sick you bring healing, because God wants to heal man of every evil. How many missionaries do this? They sow life, health, comfort to the outskirts of the world. How beautiful it is! Do not live for yourselves, do not live for yourselves, but live to go forth and do good!

These 72 disciples, whom Jesus sent out ahead of him, who were they? Who do they represent? If the Twelve were the Apostles, and also thus represent the Bishops, their successors, these 72 could represent the other ordained ministers, priests and deacons; but more broadly we can think of the other ministries in the Church, of catechists, of the lay faithful who engage in parish missions, of those who work with the sick, with different kinds of disadvantaged and marginalized people. Through the gift of our Baptism, we received this commandment to go forth and proclaim the Kingdom!

The Gospel says that those 72 came back from their mission full of joy, because they had experienced the power of Christ's Name over evil. Jesus says it: to these disciples He gives the power to defeat the evil one, but he adds: "Do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." We should not boast as if we were the protagonists: there is only one protagonist, it is the Lord! The Lord's grace is the protagonist! He is the one hero! Our joy is just this: to be his disciples, his friends. May Our Lady help us to be good agents of the Gospel.

Today this Gospel announces to us the Kingdom of God! This Kingdom is not made of borders, political, social or economic system, but rather the change in our lives. Those who have experienced that Kingdom are not afraid to go and announce it to others.

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