

## MISSION STATEMENT

St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish is a community dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through Word, Sacraments and Service while preserving and sharing the cultural roots of the Parish.

Parafia Świętego Stanisława Kostki jest wspólnotą, której celem jest głoszenie Ewangelii Jezusa Chrystusa według nauki Kościoła Rzymskokatolickiego. Misją parafii jest głoszenie Słowa Bożego, sprawowanie Sakramentów oraz służenie innym w zachowaniu tradycji kulturowych.

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### PARISH COUNCIL:

MRS. DOROTHY STYK	Chairperson
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**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday  
9:00 AM–2:30 PM.  
Evenings by appointment

### MASS SCHEDULE:

**Saturday:** 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. (English) 11:00 a.m. (Polish)  
**Weekdays:** Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday 8:00 a.m.  
Thursday 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.  
Friday 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
Confession at 5:00 p.m.  
Holy Hour at 5:00 p.m.  
and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 6:30 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 3:00–3:40 p.m. or by appointment

Please remember the ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, NY (our legal title) considering bequests, endowments, memorials or other special contributions when making out your will. All donations are tax deductible.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Sundays at 12:15 p.m. or by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Couples are asked to contact the office at least six months before marriage is to take place.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome! Please stop at the Rectory during business hours and introduce yourself. We would like to get to know you.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** Inform staff when relatives are confined to home so that we can arrange to have the Eucharist brought to them. Please notify us of family members living in nursing homes or institutions.

**SATURDAY – APRIL 18****Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter—Divine Mercy****Combined Intentions:**

- 4:00 p.m. — 1. Richard and Jane Kirchgessner  
(Children: Donna, Eileen, Nancy and Ken)  
2. Frank Olkowski (Wife and Son)

**SUNDAY – APRIL 19****Divine Mercy Sunday****Niedziela Miłosierdzia Bożego****Live-Stream on Facebook**

9:00 a.m. — English Mass — Jeanne Marie Bello  
(Alfred Joseph Bello)

**Followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy**

11:00 a.m. — Polish Mass — Zygmunt Lizak (Rodzina Tryt)

**Po Mszy św: Koronka do Miłosierdzia Bożego****MONDAY – APRIL 20**

8:00 a.m. — Health and Blessings for Henryka Wolpiuk (Family)

**TUESDAY – APRIL 21****Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

5:30 p.m. — Zbigniew and Irena Kamiński  
(Daughter, Maria Rymar)

**WEDNESDAY – APRIL 22**

8:00 a.m. — Edna Flor (Children)

**THURSDAY – APRIL 23****Saint George, Martyr****Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr****Combined Intentions:**

- 5:30 p.m. — 1. Bill Norton (Giovina Garscio)  
2. Czerniak family (Daughter, Maria Malycha)

**FRIDAY – APRIL 24****Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr**

6:00 p.m. — Andrzej Lada (Ludwinek family)

**SATURDAY – APRIL 25****Saint Mark, Evangelist****Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter**

4:00 p.m. — Paul Russello (Wife, daughter and sons)

**SUNDAY – APRIL 26****Third Sunday of Easter****Live-Stream on Facebook - Combined Intentions:**

11:00 a.m.

1. Edward Koszela (Wife and family)
2. Members of the Polonia Civic Centre on the occasion of the anniversary of the Polish Constitution

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

The Divine Mercy Sunday is a solemnity celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy, that Saint Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus, and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Church.

**Rosary for Life- Goal 100,000**

Now more than ever, we must ask our Lady to intercede on our behalf to protect the Culture of Life. With her intercession we will see the end of the COVID19 pandemic, other illnesses and laws that promote death.

Over the past few months the number of deaths in the USA due to this virus is 23,068 (as of April 13, 2020) however the number of intentional deaths of babies in the womb in NYS is 118,000 (since 1/22/20 thru 4/6/20).

Please join us in praying the Rosary at least once a week. At the end of every month, call, email (Sonja.Stenlik@dor.org) or drop off in the office your monthly count. This very powerful prayer will save lives especially under the guidance of our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. Let us as a parish community with our strong Christian faith and roots reach (and prayerfully exceed) our goal. Watch the power of prayer at work.

**O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.**

*The Breath of Life Ministry- Co-chairs:  
Brendalyn Bynoe, Dorothy Hayes and Sonja Stenlik*

**Live the Liturgy—Inspiration for the Week**

Breathing is necessary for living. Without air and the ability to breathe, we would die. It is no wonder then that Jesus breathed on the disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. As our physical breath is essential to physically live, the Holy Spirit is essential to personally and socially live. Jesus shows His friends that God is within them, sustaining them with His gifts and providing them with the fullness of life and love. We take God's role in our lives for granted and we give ourselves more credit than we ought. Much of what we treasure and accomplish every day is due to God's inner presence moving and acting within us calling us to new life.

**"Receive the Holy Spirit"** - Jesus addresses these words to His apostles in the Gospel, on the Second Easter Sunday called the Divine Mercy Sunday. Let us begin our reading and meditating on the Word of God from the book of Genesis, where at the beginning of the creation process "Earth was a disorder and desolation: the darkness was above the surface of the vastness of waters, and the Spirit of God hovered above the waters." (Gen 1.2) The Earth in Hebrew -**TOHU WA-BOHU** was shapeless, empty, and **HOLY SPIRIT** made out of chaos of darkness and emptiness a beautiful **KOSMOS** - order, harmony and "God saw what He made was good." This original, beautiful harmony was destroyed by Adam's sin. It gets worse, Cain kills Abel and people of the Earth are building "themselves a city and a tower, the top of which will reach the sky" (Gen 11)

This Babylonian tower is a temptation to the vision of a man who takes the place of God. Man wants to be like God and build Heaven on Earth. This topic is current in our time. Taking God's place and organizing **HEAVEN** on Earth is still valid. Nowadays, does not man want to decide who is to be born and who can be killed (abortion, euthanasia). The temptation is that our world planning is better than the vision of **GOD'S SPIRIT**.

Somewhere in this competition with God for a better world, something got mixed up and the original chaos that was on Earth before God's harmony entered into a man and it was a man who wanted to be the ruler of various areas of life and the master of this world, but he got lost in his calculations by building a modern tower of Babel that has not reached **HEAVEN**.

In recent months we have experienced fear, illness, helplessness and many restrictions. Our reality is changing. There is time for reflection, asking difficult questions and trying to find answers. We are verifying the way of life and our thinking and values. We can reflect on what is important and what is just a life illusion. Answers to these questions can be found in the Word of God and especially a verse from the Gospel of Saint John, translated into all languages of the world:

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." J3.16

This God's love for us is expressed in the spiritual path of **GOD'S MERCY** revealed to us by Saint Faustina Kowalska in the Diary - God's Mercy in my soul.

"In the Old Order I sent prophets to my people with thunders, today I send you to all mankind with My mercy" (Diary 1588)

"Mercy is a flower of love; God is love and mercy is His deed, it begins in love, it manifests itself in mercy" (Diary 651).

Let this path of **MERCY** become the path of our life. Crying in our prayers: **"JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU"**

With prayers,

Your Pastor, Roman Caly

Our Father, full of trust, we ask You that the Coronavirus will not cause more damage and that the epidemic can be overcome as soon as possible.

We ask you to restore health to infected and peace to places where Coronavirus has already arrived.

Welcome those who have died of this disease and comfort their families.

Support and protect the medical staff fighting the virus, inspire and bless those who try to control the situation.

Lord Jesus, the doctor of our souls and bodies, we feel helpless in this global threat, but we trust in You and please give us peace and health.

Mother of God, protect us and look after us and lead us in love for Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

**“Weźmijcie Ducha Świętego”** -słowa te kieruje Jezus do swoich apostołów w Ewangelii, na II Niedzielę Wielkanocną zwaną Niedzielą Miłosierdzia Bożego . Nasze czytanie i rozważanie Słowa Bożego rozpoczniemy od księgi Rodzaju gdzie na początku procesu stworzenia “ Ziemia była bezładem i pustkowiem: ciemność była nad powierzchnią bezmiarów wód, a **Duch Boży** unosił się nad wodami.” (Rdz 1.2)

Ziemia była po hebrajsku **TOHU WA - BOHU** była bezkształtna, pusta i **DUCH BOŻY** z tego chaosu ciemności i pustki uczynił piękny **KOSMOS** - porządek, harmonie i “widział Bóg co uczynił było dobre “. Tę pierwotną ,piękną harmonię, zniszczył grzech Adama. Dalej jest coraz gorzej, Kain zabija Abła a mieszkańcy ziemi budują “ sobie miasto i wieżę, której wierzchołek będzie sięgał nieba” (Rdz 11).

Ta babilońska wieża jest pokusą wizji człowieka, który zajmuje miejsce Boga. Człowiek będzie jak Bóg i na ziemi zbuduje sobie NIEBO. To temat aktualny i w naszych czasach. Zajmowanie miejsca Boga i organizowanie sobie NIEBA na ziemi wciąż jest aktualne. Czy w naszych czasach nie człowiek chce decydować, kto ma narodzić się a kogo można zabić (aborcja, eutanazja). Pokusa, że nasze planowanie świata jest lepsza niż wizja **DUCHA BOŻEGO**.

Gdzieś w tej rywalizacji z Bogiem o lepszy świat, coś nam pomieszało się i ten pierwotny chaos jaki był na ziemi przed Bożą harmonią wszedł w człowieka i to człowiek ,który chciał być władcą różnych dziedzin życia i panem tego świata pogubił się w swoich obliczeniach budując współczesną wieżę Babel, która nie osiągnęła NIEBA.

W ostatnich miesiącach doświadczamy: strachu, choroby, bezradności i wielu ograniczeń. Nasza rzeczywistość zmienia się. Jest czas na refleksję, na zadawanie niełatwych pytań i próby odpowiedzi. Na weryfikację sposobu życia i myślenia. Na pytanie o wartości. O refleksję co jest ważne a co jest tylko życiową iluzją . Odpowiedzi na te pytania, daje nam Słowo Boże a szczególnie werset z Ewangelii świętego Jana przetłumaczony prawdopodobnie na wszystkie języki świata:

**„Tak bowiem Bóg umiłował świat, że Syna swego Jednorodzonego dał, aby każdy, kto w Niego wierzy, nie zginął, ale miał życie wieczne.” J3.16**

To umiłowanie nas przez Boga wyraża się duchową drogą **BOŻEGO MIŁOSIERDZIA** objawioną nam przez świętą Faustyną Kowalską w Dzienniczku –miłosierdzie Boże w duszy mojej.

„W Starym Zakonie wysyłałem proroków do ludu swego z gromami, dziś wysyłam ciebie do całej ludzkości z Moim miłosierdziem” (Dzienniczek 1588).

“Miłosierdzie jest kwiatem miłości; Bóg jest miłością, a miłosierdzie jest Jego czynem, w miłości się poczyną, w miłosierdziu się przejawia “ (Dzienniczek 651).

Niech ta droga **MIŁOSIERDZIA** stanie się ścieżką naszego życia . Wołając w naszych modlitwach: **“ JEZU UFAM TOBIE”**

Z modlitwą,

Wasz ks. Roman

Ojciec nasz, pełni ufności prosimy Ciebie, aby koronawirus nie siał więcej zniszczeń i aby udało się jak najszybciej opanować epidemię. Prosimy, abyś przywrócił zdrowie zakażonym i pokój miejscom, do których koronawirus już dotarł.

Przyjmij tych, którzy zmarli na skutek tej choroby, oraz pociesz ich rodziny.

Wspieraj i chroń personel medyczny zwalczający wirus, inspiruj i błogosław tym, którzy starają się opanować sytuację.

Panie Jezus, lekarzu naszych dusz i ciał, czujemy się bezradni w tej sytuacji ogólnoswiatowego zagrożenia, ale ufamy Tobie i prosimy udzielić nam pokoju i zdrowia.

Matko Boża, chroń nas i opiekuj się nami, i prowadź nas w miłości do Twojego Syna, Jezusa. Amen.



## Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Birth of Pope St. John Paul II~



*Saint John Paul II*

May 18, 2020 will mark the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Birth of St. John Paul II. If the current COVID19 restrictions are lifted we will celebrate this milestone on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 Mass with the Most Reverend Bishop Salvatore R. Matano.

St. John Paul II left us a legacy from which to learn and share with others as we travel on our life's journey to prepare

for Heaven. Throughout the next few weeks, we will include many of his inspiring words. We pray that these quotes will strengthen your faith and courage to evangelize wherever you go as well as to prepare you spiritually to reach your place one day in Heaven as a member of the Communion of Saints.

**“There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us. There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us, and does not now bear with us.”** (*Homily in Orioles Park at Camden Yards, 1995*)

## Everyday Stewardship

### Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

During the Easter season, we reflect on being followers of the stone that the builders rejected, the crucified and risen Jesus. Like a Shepherd He leads us by His voice that echoes throughout the centuries and remains real and effective even in our modern world. To be His disciple means to risk rejection in a similar way as He experienced. The Shepherd will not lead His lambs into danger, but there is danger all around us regardless.

Everyday Stewardship can be something we talk about in the abstract or a way of living we simply wish we could follow. It can be an imperfect reality that at times places us in direct conflict with the world. As we decrease and Jesus increases in us, many will be drawn to the love and compassion that flows through us. Cultivating our gifts for God's sake and the total surrender of all we possess and have belong to God is not wise in some eyes. Either they think we are crazy, or, just maybe at times, the example of our lives causes them to question their own values. If you give a little, you will be admired. If you give a lot, you will be celebrated. If you give it all, you can be rejected. Not everyone will have this negative reaction. Some will see your example and will seek to do the same. They will then join you in following the Shepherd. They will become a true sign of Jesus Christ to the world. But their conversion of heart begins with you and your example.