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Pastor

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Established in 1891
Present Church Dedicated 1918
Cleveland Solidarity Center 1985
City of Cleveland Historical Landmark 1985

MASS INTENTIONS

January 3rd - + Teresa Kowalewski

January 10th - + Bonifacy Obst January 17th - + Stefania Haynes

January 24th - + Bronislaw, Katarzyna, & Marian

Przyslak

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS Week of January 3rd

The Sanctuary Lamps are being lit this week for the special intentions of (1) JOANN DRAGAS; and (2) for the SOBOLEWSKI and KAMINSKI FAMILIES and they were both requested by Michele Dragas. To reserve your intentions, please fill-out the envelopes at the church entrances and submit your request by dropping it into the collection basket located in the church. They can also be mailed-in as we continue accepting intentions during this health crisis as there's not better time to ask the Lord's help.

St. Casimir's is on FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, & YouTube

You can keep sending information in to Julia at and access our information in the following ways:

Enthusiamlab@gmail.com

FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/

CasimirCleveland/

INSTAGRAM: St Casimir Cleveland OH

YouTube: http://bit.ly/stcasimircleveland

BULLETIN ONLINE: Go to the Alumni Website at www.stcasimir.com and click-on the Parish Bulletin tab to access the bi-lingual postings.

<u>UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS</u>

<u>Jan. 3rd</u> - FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY. Solemn
Mass welcoming the Wise Men at 11:30AM.
Blessed chalk and prayers available for do-ityourself Home Blessings.

Jan. 10th - BAPTISM OF THE LORD. The formal Christmas Season concludes with today's celebration of the Lord's Baptism in the Jordan River at our festive Mass at 11:30AM.

Jan. 17th - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR "C". Mass at 11:30AM.

Jan. 24th - THIRD SUNDAY, "C". Mass at 11:30AM

Readings for the Week of January 3, 2021

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44 **Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52 **Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/

Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts

10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3,

4bcd, 5-6 [3)]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Church Business

Please direct all mail and inquiries to:

Saint Stanislaus Church 3649 East 65th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44105 (216) 341-9091

Our schedule features one weekly, bi-lingual, English-Polish Mass on Sundays at 11:30 AM with Holy Day & Special Masses as announced. As a full parish, all of the spiritual needs of our parishioners and friends for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, etc., can be arranged by contacting us at your convenience.

Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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MASS IS ONLINE AT -

http://bit.ly/stcasimircleveland

This above address is the one to access our Sunday Masses which are being broadcast on YouTube.

SPECIAL THANKS to our volunteers who have answered the call to provide this important service to those unable to be with us.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY Sunday, January 3rd

Welcome the arrival of the Magi at our festive Mass at 11:30AM. Blessed chalk, incense, and prayer cards will be available for home blessings

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Sunday, January 10th

The formal Christmas Season concludes with the festive 11:30AM Mass celebrating Jesus' baptism by St. John

THANK YOU

for your generosity

To all who so graciously contributed to the support of our parish and those in need during the Advent and Christmas Seasons, please accept our heartfelt prayers and thanks. This includes all who patronized our very successful Christmas Food sale. Given the weather over the holidays and the slowness of the mail this year, please know that we still welcome donations and gifts from anyone ho may not yet have had the opportunity to do so. BOG ZAPLAC!!!

Memorial Remembrances

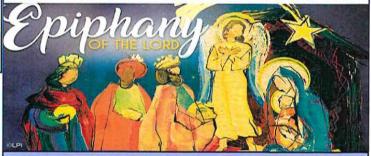
One of the important matters which everyone must consider at some time or another is the final disposition of their earthly possessions. Usually, this includes remembering those things most dear to us during our lifetime. Our parish of St. Casimir is such an entity. We are grateful to those families who requested in obituaries that donations be made in memory of their loved ones to our Church. We encourage others to consider doing the same and also to remember us in your estate planning and will. Your love, help, and concern can ensure the long lasting, vibrant future for St. Casimir's.

SOME SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS...

<u>CALLING ALL HANDS...</u> as the winter weather is now upon us, we still have the needs of our parish buildings to address. Wednesdays remain the day where - keeping appropriate social distancing, of course - all are welcome to come between 10AM and 2PM to help-out. After all, to much stay-athome and lack of activity and interaction is no good for you, too! See You There - and thanks ahead of time for helping!!!

Remembering Our St. Casimir Sisters... is a wonderful thing to do at this special time of year. Srs..Celeste & Rosemary are the only ones still living at the Motherhouse of the Franciscan Sisters and can be reached at Our Lady of Victory Convent, 11400 Theresa Drive, Lemont, IL 60439. They ALWAYS still pray for us and would LOVE hearing from YOU! PS - They love gifts, too!!!!!!

How About Those Calendars... which have been made available to our Parish through the kindness and generosity of James Robaczewski, National President, along with the Officers and Directors of the Polish Roman Catholic Union of America, the oldest Polish Fraternal organization in the country. In a special way, we wish to also acknowledge and thank our own parishioner, Mitch Bienia, who serves as National Director of the PRCUA for our area, District 5. Mitch was instrumental in arranging for the calendars to be donated to Saint Casimir's for the use of our parishioners. This year's theme for the calendars is the lovely Polish folk art of paper cutting/decorations known as 'Wycynanki'.



SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Special envelopes are now available for "reservation intentions" for the two Sanctuary Lamps - the red ones which burn continuously on either side of the Tabernacle. Cost for each lamp is \$10 and the intentions will be printed in the Parish Bulletin, as well. Each week when the lamps will be lit a prayer will be offered for the intention requested. Submit your intention requests in the envelopes provided along with the regular offertory collection.