

CHURCH OF ST. CASIMIR PARAFIA SW. KAZIMIERZA

December 10, 2023

8223 SOWINSKI AVENUE **CLEVELAND, OHIO 44103**

> "The Polish Heart of Poznan"

CONFESSIONS

Before and after Mass and by request

BAPTISMS

Regularly after Sunday Mass or by special arrangement with the Pastor. Pre-Baptismal instructions required.

MARRIAGES

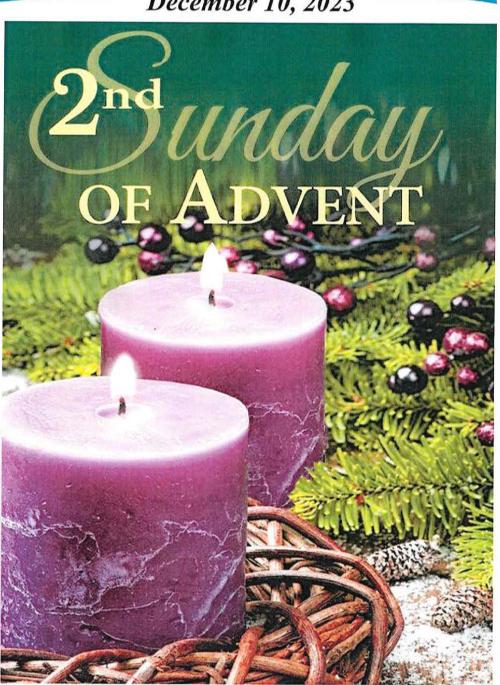
Diocesan policy requires arrangements be made at lease six months in advance of an intended date allowing for appropriate Pre-Marital instructions.

PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Eric S. Orzech

DIRECTORS OF MUSIC

Jan Bis Yuhang Wang



MASS INTENTIONS

Dec. 10th - + Alfreda, Stanley, & Joyce Kedzierski

Dec. 17th - + Dr. Michal Klymiuk-Wieczerski

Dec. 24th - + Leon & Leona Wysocki Dec. 24th - + Joseph Blajda (10PM) Dec. 25th - + John & Rose Brand

SANCTUARY LIGHT INTENTIONS Week of December 10, 2023

This Sunday, the red Sanctuary Lamps are being lit for (1) the repose of the souls of KAY CHANEY, requested by Donna Gulya; and (2) of JOHN KRENISKY, who was with us Sunday, won our raffle, & passed this week from our parish family. 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.

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

You can keep sending information in to KIM at and access our information in the following ways: kimberlykranel@icloud.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.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

<u>December 10th</u> - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT. Mass at 11:30AM. Luncheon afterward.

<u>December 17th</u> - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT. Mass at 11:30AM. *English & Polish Confessions after Mass.* Luncheon in the Social Hall following.

<u>December 24th</u> - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT. Mass at 11:30AM fulfills the Sunday Obligation.

<u>December 24th</u> -\CHRISTMAS EVE. "Pasterka"/ Shepherd's Mass at 10PM. Choir concert 9:30.

Readings for the Week of December 10, 2023

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/

Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26 Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde,

19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/

Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/

Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/

Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54

(Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!!!

Sunday, December 17th

All able-bodied and willing parishioners are asked to stay after Mass for a bit to help bring our Christmas decorations into the Church. Many hands make for light work! Hope we can count on yours!

Monday & Tuesday, December 18th & 19th

These are the days for decorating our Church for Christmas. The time frame is from 10AM to 2PM each day - but can be less on Tuesday if things get wrapped-up (!) earlier. EVERYONE is welcome to come and help as you are able. Especially appreciated are hearty folk to help assemble the trees.

Thursday & Friday, December 21st & 22nd

Christmas food order pick-up in the Social Hall.
11AM to 2PM both days.

1891—Celebrating 132 Years—2023

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.

We are happy to say that the Mass will also be able to be accessed by anyone who visits our St. Casimir Facebook page.

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



When Mary appeared to Juan Diego as Our Lady of Guadalupe, she had encouraging words for him. "Am I not here, I who am your mother?" In the image on Juan Diego's tilma (tunic), Mary identifies herself with the Aztec people. She has their hair and features, their symbolic maternity dress. She incorporated their important symbols of the sun, moon, and stars. The Mass for this Feast includes two Gospel options. Both are familiar passages from the Gospel of Luke . the Annunciation and the Visitation. Both are equally relevant to today's feast because Mary's yes to Christ isn't only to care for him but to come to us. Our Lady of Guadalupe is pregnant. The image bears witness to Mary's yes to conceive the Savior of the World. But even in her pregnancy, she goes to care for Elizabeth. Now Mother to all the world, Mary comes to the aid of her children, reminding them of her presence among them and her loving care.

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 a long lasting, vibrant future for St. Casimir's.

SOME SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS...

<u>CALLING ALL HANDS...</u> With Winter approaching, our Parish continues to need some TLC to maintain & keep things beautiful. Wednesday is the day where all are welcome to come between 10AM and 2PM to help-out. Experience the joy and camaraderie of our volunteers and do something good for our Parish at the same time! See You There - and thanks ahead of time for helping!!!

The "Wall of Love"... at our neighbor, Willson Elementary School, is always in need of additional donations to assist families in need. You can drop-off items such as toiletries, food, school supplies, socks, and winter items like coats, hats, gloves, & scarves in the church vestibule. We'll see that they get taken to the school and put to very good use!

Help Share Some Christmas Joy... by sending a card and/or gift to SR. CELESTE, the last surviving Sister who served here at St. Casimir's. By the way, her birthday will also be on December 18th! She can be reached c/o Our Lady of Victory Convent, 11400 Theresa Drive, Lemont, IL 60439.

Really Getting Ready for Christmas.... means that we make a place in our hearts and lives for Jesus and remove the obstacles that may keep us from truly embracing His presence. The best way to do that is by making a point to go to confession this Advent Season. Specially scheduled English and Polish confessions will be here at St. Casimir's NEXT SUNDAY, Dec. 17th immediately following the 11:30AM Mass. All are also welcome to attend the Advent Communal Penance service at St. Stanislaus, Wed., Dec. 13th at 7PM. Guest priests will be available for English and Polish confessions.

<u>There Will Be A Second Collection...</u>NEXT SUNDAY in support of the Retirement Fund for Religious which aids in the care of retired and infirmed priests, brothers, & sisters throughout the countryincluding in our area. Please be generous.

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.