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THE EASTER CELEBRATION
Through our Lord's suffering, Passion, and death on the Cross, we receive forgiveness, pardon and mercy. Then with minds that are free; with souls at peace; and with hearts filled with love, we may truly understand the beauty of Easter. May the gift of the Lord's forgiveness; the gift of His peace; and the gift of His Love strengthen the faith of you and your loved ones that you may truly rejoice in the beauty and glory of His Resurrection!


HE IS RISEN!

We welcome all parishioners to participate in the Easter celebration with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses.

## 2016 SAINT STAN'S CARNIVAL

Are you ready! That's the rallying cry for our annual summer tradition, the Saint Stan's Carnival. This year's summer tradition will take place from June 22 to June 25 (see newsletter calendar for specific times). Carnival Headquarters opens after 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, May 14.

The carnival is fun for the entire family. There are many rides for children and adults, games with fabulous prizes for all ages, Super and Nightly 50/50 drawings, the beer garden and delicious ethnic and American homemade foods and desserts. We have our annual Friday night Fish Fry. Spezzi's Main Street Café has nightly specials, a very diverse menu, and the annual Friday night Pig Roast. We also have delicious foods provided by Applebee's Restaurant. One hundred percent of sales from Spezzi's Main Street Café and Applebee's Restaurant go towards the church.

We welcome all parishioners, neighbors and friends to show support by volunteering time and efforts for a great cause. With your effort and time we will be ready!

## APRIL 2016

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | $1$ <br> FIRST FRIDAY MASS (7 A.M.) | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \text { AA: ALUMNI NIGHT } \\ & \text { (6:30 P.M.) } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <br> RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.) AND MEETING <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD | PRAYER GROUP <br> (7 P.M.) | RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | HSA: LADIES NIGHT (DOORS OPEN 6:30 P.M.) |  |
| 10 <br> HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 11 <br> HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.) | 12 | 13 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | 14 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 15 <br> HNS: CHICKEN DINNER <br> (4:30 P.M. TO 7 P.M.) | 16 <br> AA: AWARDS BANQUET <br> (6:30 P.M.) |
| 17 <br> SSK SCHOOL: OPEN HOUSE <br> (10 A.M. to 12 NOON) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 18 | $\begin{aligned} & 19 \\ & \text { PRAYER GROUP } \\ & \text { (7 P.M.) } \end{aligned}$ | 20 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | $21$ <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 22 | 23 |
| 24 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 25 | 26 | 27 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) <br> SSK SCHOOL: HSA MEETING AND SCIENCE FAIR (7 P.M.) | $28$ <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 29 <br> SSK SCHOOL: MIDDLE <br> SCHOOL DANCE | 30 <br> POLISH SCHOOL FIRST HOLY COMMUNION |

MAY 2016

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 <br> RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.) AND MEETING <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 2 | $3$ <br> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.) | 4 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) <br> ASCENSION OF THE LORD VIGIL (7 P.M.) | 5 <br> SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MASSES AT 7 A.M., 9 A.M., and 7 P.M.) <br> HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 56 <br> FIRST FRIDAY MASSES (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) | 7 <br> SSK SCHOOL: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (10 A.M.) <br> HSA: FLOWER SALE BEFORE AND AFTER 5 P.M. MASS |
| 8 <br> MAY CROWNING (MASS AT 9 A.M.) <br> HSA: FLOWER SALE BEFORE AND AFTER ALL MASSES <br> NO BINGO | 9 | 10 | 11 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | 12 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 13 | 14 <br> CARNIVAL <br> HEADQUARTERS OPENS AFTER 5 P.M. MASS |
| 15 <br> SOLEMNITY OF PENTOCOST <br> CARNIVAL HEADQUARTERS OPEN in Church lobby <br> HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 16 <br> HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.) | 17 <br> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.) | ```18 RAS: FAMILY ROSARY (7 P.M.)``` | 19 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) <br> RAS: ANNUAL FAMILY ROSARY (7 P.M.) | 20 | 21 |
| 22 <br> SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 23 | 24 | 25 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | 26 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 27 | 28 |
| 29 <br> SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI <br> NO BINGO TODAY | 30 <br> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED | 31 <br> FEAST OF THE VISITATION |  |  |  |  |

## JUNE 2016

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | 2 <br> HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP <br> (11 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 3 <br> FIRST FRIDAY MASS <br> (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) <br> SSK SCHOOL: $8^{\text {th }}$ GRADE GRADUATION MASS (7 P.M.) | 4 |
| 5 <br> RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 <br> A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.) AND MEETING <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 6 | $7$ <br> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.) | 8 <br> SSK SCHOOL: PRESCHOOL GRADUATION MASS (9 A.M.) <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) <br> SSK SCHOOL: <br> KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION MASS (7 P.M.) | $9$ <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 10 | 11 |
| 12 <br> HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 13 <br> HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.) | 14 | 15 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) <br> CARNIVAL PEP RALLY (7 P.M.) | 16 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) | 17 | 18 |
| 19 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) | 20 | 21 <br> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.) | 22 <br> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (6 P.M. TO 10 P.M.) <br> NO ROSARY TODAY | 23 <br> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (6 P.M. TO 10 P.M.) <br> NO BINGO TODAY | 24 <br> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (7 P.M. TO 11 P.M.) | 25 <br> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (7 P.M. TO 11 P.M.) |
| $26$ <br> NO BINGO TODAY | 27 | 28 | 29 <br> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) | 30 <br> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) |  |  |

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m.

First Holy Communion for Saint Stan's Polish School will be held on Saturday, April 30

## MAY CROWNING

All parishioners are welcome to participate in our May Crowning on Sunday, May 8, at the 9 a.m. Mass.

## CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION BOOK

Be one of the many Saint Stan's parishioners who have taken the opportunity to purchase a copy of the Saint Stan's Centennial Commemoration book. This 80-page, hardcover book showcases our Parish with gorgeous pictures and timeless information.

The Centennial Commemoration book is available for purchase from the Parish Office. We have received rave reviews from readers.
"The $100^{\text {th }}$ Anniversary Commemoration Book contains not just history, but catechesis, information, inspiration, and articistic touches. The entire book is well written and the pictures capture a parish that has grown in the love of Jesus Christ for a century."
-Sister Virginia Tomasiak, CSSF
Part-time archivist for the Felician Sisters in Lodi, New Jersey

## MOTHER'S DAY

We wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for all that you do for us and our parish.


## SSK SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

There will be an open house on Sunday, April 17 at SSK School from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.

## HSA MEETING AND SCIENCE FAIR

The HSA meeting and science fair will take place on Wednesday, April 27 at 7 p.m. Further details about the event will follow.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

The middle school dance will take place on Friday, April 29. Further details about the time and event information will follow.

## SSK SCHOOL GRADUATIONS

The $8^{\text {th }}$ grade graduation Mass will take place on Friday, June 3 at 7 p.m. The Preschool graduation Mass will take place on Wednesday, June 8 at 9 a.m. The kindergarten graduation Mass will take place on June 8 at 7 p.m.

## 路ORGANIZATIONS Societies

## ~ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ~

## ALUMNI NIGHT

The Annual Alumni Basketball Game occurs on Saturday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. and is open to anyone who played for SSK Basketball. All high school alumni are welcome. A \$10 donation gets you a team shirt. To sign up, e-mail saintstansaa@gamil.com or call Pat Williams at 732-609-4824.

## AWARDS BANQUET

We will have our annual AA awards banquet at the Reception Center at Saint Clement in Matawan on Saturday, April 16 at 6:30 p.m. We thank everyone who came together and gave a tremendous effort and shared their time to help make this year a success.

## ~HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~

## MONTHLY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The HNS sponsors a bus trip to Atlantic City on the first Thursday of each month. The bus leaves from the Saint Stan's parking lot at 11 a.m.

To reserve and confirm your seat, please call Roman at 732-254-5352. (See calendar for dates)

## HNS CORPORATE MASSES

The HNS meets on the second Sunday of every month to pray the Rosary at 8:30 a.m. and then attend 9:00 a.m. Corporate Mass. After Mass, everyone is invited to breakfast at our school cafeteria. (See calendar for dates)

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

The HNS monthly meetings begin at 7 p.m. in our church basement meeting room. Refreshments are provided.

## ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

Make sure you save the date for our annual Chicken Dinner event, which will occur on April 15 from 4:30 p.m. to $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. We will have further details about the chicken dinner in the Church bulletin.

May God always bless us all, AND may God always bless America.

## ~HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ~

## LADIES NIGHT OUT

We are sponsoring a Ladies Night Out painting party at SSK School Cafeteria. On Friday, April 8, Liquid \& Lines will be here to guide us on our way to creating a masterpiece. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and painting will begin at 7 p.m.

The tickets for our event are $\$ 25$ per person, which includes all supplies needed, artist instruction, and a $16^{\prime \prime} \times 20^{\prime \prime}$ canvas for you to take home. The tickets can be purchased by contacting (call or text) Gina at 732-277-2552 and will also be sold before and after Masses in the church lobby.

Please purchase your ticket soon as space for the event is limited. Attendees are welcome to bring your own food and refreshments. We will also have vendors at the event and we welcome you to Shop Till You Drop.

## FLOWER BASKET SALE

We are having our annual Mother's Day Flower Basket sale. The sale takes place before and after all Masses on Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8, while supplies last. The hanging baskets will be $\$ 10$ each. Need a gift? Come out and pick up a beautiful basket for that special lady.

## MOTHER AND FATHER OF THE YEAR

 COCKTAIL PARTYOur party will take place on Friday, May 13. More information about the party, including our honorees, ticket pricing, and sales information will be available in April. We had a great party last year and we are looking forward to another great celebration this year.

## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We will have a uniform swap night on May 24 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the SSK school gym. Parents are welcome to browse the stock of gently used uniforms and pick up whatever they may need. We also encourage parents to drop off their extra or outgrown uniforms. Come out and see what we have, which could save you hundreds of dollars.

## THANK YOU

Please remember that all of our fundraising efforts benefit our students and SSK School. During the school year, the HSA sponsors many events for our students, including holiday breakfasts and lunches, holiday parties, Catholic Schools Week events, class assemblies, field day, and we help with transportation for class trips. Our fundraising also supports the school by helping with supplies and technology. As always, we thank you and appreciate your continued support!

## ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY ~

## ROSARY AND MASS

On the first Sunday of each month, we pray the Rosary at 8:35 a.m., attend Mass at 9 a.m. and have our monthly meeting that includes a continental breakfast.

## ANNUAL FAMILY ROSARY

Our annual Family Rosary will take place on Thursday, May 19 at 7 p.m. We invite everyone in the Parish to participate in the event, especially all families. Refreshments will follow the service in the SSK School Cafeteria.

## ANNUAL SHOPRITE FUNDRAISER

The tickets for this fundraiser will be sent to RAS members and sold to members of the parish in August. The drawing for the fundraiser will be held at our RAS meeting in September. Further details about the fundraiser will be in the next Saint Stan's Spotlight.

## ~ PRAYER GROUP ~

Our prayer group meets at 7:00 p.m. in the SSK Church Chapel on the first and third Tuesday in April, May and June.


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The abbreviations that are used in our newsletter are listed below.

AA - Athletic Association
HNS - Holy Name Society
HSA - Home School Association
SSK - Saint Stanislaus Kostka

## COMIC STRIP



