

SAINT STAN'S SPOTLIGHT

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CHURCH NOTIFICATIONS

FAREWELL TO THE MANGER

We invite all parishioners to come out for the Farewell to the Manger Ceremony on Sunday, January 31 at 2 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY

The distribution of ashes takes place during all Masses on Wednesday, February 10. The Masses occur at 7 a.m., 9 a.m., and 7 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All parishioners are welcome to participate in the Stations of the Cross, which takes place at 7 p.m. every Friday during Lent

HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND HOLY SATURDAY

On Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Lord's Supper takes place at 7 p.m. and Night Watch goes until 12 Midnight. On Good Friday, the Passion of the Lord takes place at 3 p.m., Meka Panska takes place at 7 p.m., and Adoration at the Tomb will go until 10 p.m. On Holy Saturday, the Blessing of Food takes place at 10 a.m., 12 Noon, and 2 p.m., and the Easter Vigil will occur at 7 p.m.

CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION BOOK

The Centennial Commemoration book is available for purchase from the Parish Office. We have received rave reviews from many readers.

"One can summarize the importance of the book in a simple sentence: remembering and honoring the past, being proud of the present and working diligently for the future of this Catholic community."

-Dr. Wojciech Mrozek, Instructor in the Religion Department at Bishop Ahr H.S.

"For those of us who spent our childhood at St. Stanislaus Kostka school and now our adulthood as members of the parish community, the 1914-2014 St. Stanislaus Kostka Commemorative book is a wonderful and lovely keepsake."

-Dr. Richard Strugala, Instructor in the English Department at Middlesex County College

JANUARY 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASSES AT 9 A.M., 10:30 A.M. (POLISH), AND 12 NOON NEW YEAR'S DAY BINGO	AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
					(DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	
3 SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD RAS: MASS (9 A.M.; NO MEETING) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) RAS: CHRISTMAS PARTY (2 P.M.)	4	5 PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)		8 SCHOOL: ROSARY BENEDICTION (9 A.M.)	9 AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.) GIRL SCOUTS: BAKE SALE IN CHURCH LOBBY (AFTER 5 P.M. MASS)
10 FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD GIRL SCOUTS: BAKE SALE IN CHURCH LOBBY AFTER ALL MASSES HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.)	11 HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	12	13 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	14 BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	15	16 AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
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24 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) SSK SCHOOL: OPEN HOUSE (10 A.M. TO 12 NOON) NO BINGO AA: GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (4:30 P.M.)	25	26	27 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	28 SSK SCHOOL: OPEN HOUSE (10 A.M. TO 11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.) FIRST RECONCILIATION (7 P.M.)	29	30 AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
31 BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON) FAREWELL TO THE MANGER (2 P.M.) AA: GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (4:30 P.M.)						

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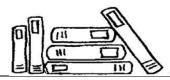
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	1	EAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	5 FIRST FRIDAY MASSES (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.)	6 AA: BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (9 A.M. TO 9 P.M.) AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
7 RAS: ROSARY (8:35 A.M.), MASS AND MEETING (9 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	8	9	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES AT 7 A.M., 9 A.M., AND 7 P.M. RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	11 BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	12 FISH FRY (4:30 P.M. to 7 P.M.) STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.)	AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
14 HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	15 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	16 PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	17 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) DROGA KRZYZOWA (7 P.M.)	18 BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	19 STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.)	20 AA: 5 th AND 6 th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M.)
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MARCH 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	SSK SCHOOL: LITERACY NIGHT (6 P.M.) RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) DROGA KRZYZOWA (7 P.M.)	3 HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	FIRST FRIDAY MASSES (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.)	5
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13 HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	14 HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	15 PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) DROGA KRZYZOWA (7 P.M.)	17 SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	18 STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.)	19 SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF MARY
20 PALM SUNDAY BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	21 CONFESSIONS (7 P.M.)	22 CONFESSIONS (7 P.M.)	RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) DROGA KRZYZOWA (7 P.M.)	24 HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (7 P.M.) NIGHT WATCH UNTIL 12 MIDNIGHT NO BINGO	GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS (12 NOON)	26 HOLY SATURDAY BLESSING OF FOOD (10 A.M., 12 NOON, AND 2 P.M.) EASTER VIGIL (7 P.M.)
27 EASTER SUNDAY NO BINGO	28 EASTER MONDAY PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	29	30 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	31 BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)		

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SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS AND OPEN HOUSE

There will be a Mass at 9 a.m. on January 24, which will be followed by an open house at SSK School from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon. Also, there will be an open house at the school on Thursday, January 28 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

LITERACY NIGHT

We welcome parents to participate in our Literacy Night on Wednesday, March 2 at 6 p.m.



~ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ~

5th AND 6th GRADE BOYS' BASKETBALL LEAGUE

On every Saturday in January and February, the AA is hosting a 5^{th} and 6^{th} Grade Boys' Basketball League that will take place from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

On January 17, 24, and 31, the AA will host a Girls' Basketball Tournament, which will start at 4:30 p.m.

~GIRL SCOUTS ~

BAKE SALE

The Girl Scouts will be holding a bake sale in the church lobby on Saturday, January 9, after the Mass at 5 p.m. and after all Masses on Sunday, January 10

~ 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 FISH FRY

We invite all parishioners to come and enjoy our annual Fish Fry event on February 12 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY, JOE SUCHOWIECKI

On January 8, Joe Suchowiecki will be celebrating his 100^{th} birthday. We wish you a happy and healthy birthday, Joe.

ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

Make sure you save the date for our annual Chicken Dinner event, which will occur on April 15. We will have further details in the next Saint Stan's Spotlight newsletter.

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

~ HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ~

THANK YOU

The HSA would like to thank everyone that donated to, volunteered at, or attended our recent fundraising events, including our Coach Bingo and Christmas Bazaar. Without your support and generosity, these fundraising events would not be possible or successful. All of our efforts help benefit our students and Saint Stanislaus Kostka School.

As always, we thank you and appreciate your continued support.

SUPER SUNDAY CALENDAR RAFFLE

There is still time to purchase Super Sunday Calendar Raffle tickets. The HSA is selling tickets at a cost of \$20 for each ticket. The tickets are being sold in the Parish Office, as well as before and after Masses in the church Lobby. A winner will be picked every Sunday between January and June 2016. Each winner will receive a prize of \$100. The first drawing takes place on Sunday, January 3. Thank you for your support.

GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY FUNDRAISER

The HSA will be selling delicious Gertrude Hawk Candy for Easter. The sale will begin in late January and candy will be delivered in time for Easter. Gertrude Hawk has chocolate gifts and treats for every occasion. If you are interested in obtaining a catalog or placing an order, please contact Amy Huff at 732-425-0005.

SHOPAROO UPDATE

During this Shoparoo fundraiser earning year, we have raised over \$100 and have 81 supporters snapping away. Please remember, the receipts for the Shoparoo fundraiser can be from any grocery store, supercenter, club store, dollar store, drugstore, beauty/health convenience mart, pet store, toy store, or liquor store. For all other receipts, we earn entries into a monthly sweepstakes.

If you would like to help us, you can join our group by downloading the application on your smartphone, on your iPad, or Google Play for Android devices.

You can also participate by donating your receipts in the Shoparoo boxes located by the church exits or in the church lobby.

The receipts must be within 14 days of purchase and you can cross out any identifying information on the receipt. Thank you for participating with us.

COFFEE CAKE FUNDRAISER

In January, the HSA is hosting a Boston Coffee Cake fundraiser for the 8th Grade's Project Graduation. This is a new fundraiser with delicious cakes from New England. There will be more information about this fundraiser in the coming weeks.

~ ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY ~

ROSARY AND MASS

On the first Sunday of each month, we pray the Rosary, attend Mass at 9 a.m., and have our monthly meeting. There will be no meeting following the Mass on January 3 due to the annual RAS Christmas party.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual RAS party is scheduled for January 3 at 2 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Washington Road in Parlin. The price for each ticket to the party is \$23.

~ PRAYER GROUP ~

Our prayer group meets at 7:00 p.m. in our Church Chapel.

Special Intentions for the "St. Stanislaus Kostka Prayer Group"
Please pray for:
Please deposit prayer intentions in collection basket or designated box in the church lobby.

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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

RAS – Rosary-Altar Society

SSK - Saint Stanislaus Kostka

COMIC STRIP

