

THE SAINT STAN'S SPOTLIGHT

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CHURCH NOTIFICATIONS

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Vigil Mass will be held of Monday, December 31 at 5 p.m. Masses will be held on Tuesday, January 1 at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. (Polish) and 12 noon.

FAREWELL TO THE MANGER

All parishioners are invited to come to the *Farewell to the Manger* on Sunday, February 3 at 2 p.m.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Distribution of ashes will take place during all Masses on Wednesday, March 6. Masses will be at 7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

All parishioners are welcome to participate in Stations of the Cross (in English), which will take place every Friday at 7 p.m. during the season of Lent. Stations of the Cross (Droga Krzyzowa) will take place during the season of Lent after Ash Wednesday on every Wednesday at 7 p.m.

JANUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASSES AT 9 A.M., 10:30 A.M. (POLISH), AND NOON	2 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	3 HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	4 FIRST FRIDAY MASSES (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	5 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
6 SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 A.M.) AND ATTEND MASS (9 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON) RAS: CHRISTMAS PARTY (2 P.M.)	7 FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	8	9 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	10 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	11 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	12 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
13 HNS: PRAY ROSARY (8:30 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.), AND BREAKFAST BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	14 HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	15	16 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	17 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	18 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	19 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
20 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	21	22	23 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	24 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.) FIRST RECONCILIATION (7 P.M.)	25 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	26 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
27 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.) NO BINGO TODAY	28	29	30 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	31		

FEBRUARY 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 FIRST FRIDAY MASS (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	2 FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
3 RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.), AND MEETING BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON) FAREWELL TO THE MANGER (2 P.M.)	4	5	6 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	7 HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	8 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	9 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
10 HNS: PRAY ROSARY (8:30 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.), AND BREAKFAST BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	11 HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	12	13 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	14 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	15 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	16 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
17 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	18 PRESIDENTS' DAY PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	19	20 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	21 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	22 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	23 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
24 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	25	26	27 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	28		

MARCH 2019

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					1 FIRST FRIDAY MASS (7 A.M. AND 9 A.M.) AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.)	2 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
3 RAS: PRAY ROSARY (8:35 A.M.), MASS (9 A.M.), AND MEETING BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	4	5	6 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.)	7 HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.) BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	8 HNS: FISH FRY (4 P.M. to 7 P.M.) STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.) NO BASKETBALL LEAGUE TODAY	9 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
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17 SAINT PATRICK'S DAY BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)	18	19	20 RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.) DROGA KRZYZOWA (7 P.M.)	21 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT 6 P.M.)	22 AA: SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (6:30 P.M.) STATIONS OF THE CROSS (7 P.M.)	23 AA: FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (2:30 P.M.)
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31 BINGO (DOORS OPEN AT NOON)						



SCHOOL NEWS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK MASS AND OPEN HOUSE

Catholic Schools Week at SSK School begins on Sunday, January 27 and continues with activities all week. Beginning on Sunday, join us in celebrating Catholic Schools Week with 9 a.m. Mass.

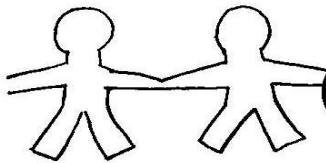
During Catholic Schools Week, SSK School is open to all families to visit and see what our school has to offer. You can meet our teachers and students and see the difference Catholic Schools make.

SSK SCHOOL RECYCLING PROGRAM

SSK School is proud of our recycling program. Each class properly disposes of the paper and plastic in their classrooms and in the cafeteria into the designated bins.

At the end of each day, our third grade recycling crew empties the recycling bins from the administrative office, pre-kindergarten, and first grade. Our second and fourth grade students bring their recyclables over to the third grade classroom to empty their bins. The upper grades empty their classroom bins into two larger bins in the upstairs hallway. The third grade recycling crew then brings these bins downstairs to be emptied.

The larger bins that are kept inside and outside of the third grade classroom are taken to the cafeteria to be emptied into the outside bins with the help and supervision of the third grade teacher, Mrs. Grover. We are very proud of our students and staff for doing their part to help save the Earth, and we hope that everyone who enters our school will recycle properly too!



ORGANIZATIONS & SOCIETIES

~ ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ~

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BOY'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

On Friday nights in January, February and March, the AA is hosting a seventh and eighth grade boy's basketball league that will take place at 6:30 p.m. There is no game scheduled for Friday, March 6. Instead, everyone is encouraged to attend the annual HNS Fish Fry, which starts at 4 p.m.

FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE BOY'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

On Saturday afternoons in January, February and March, the AA is hosting a fifth and sixth grade boy's basketball league that will take place at 2:30 p.m.



~ **HOLY NAME SOCIETY** ~

WELCOMING IN THE NEW YEAR!

The officers of the HNS wish a happy and holy New Year to all of our members, parishioners, friends and family.

MONTHLY CORPORATE MASS

We will meet on January 13, February 10 and March 10 to pray the Rosary at 8:30 a.m. and celebrate 9 a.m. Mass. After Mass, everyone is invited to breakfast at the SSK School cafeteria.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our monthly meetings will occur on January 14, February 11 and March 11. All meetings begin at 7 p.m. and refreshments are provided.

MONTHLY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

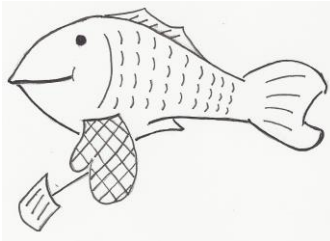
A bus trip to Atlantic City will take place on the first Thursday of each month. The bus leaves the SSK parking lot at 11 a.m. To reserve your seat, call Roman at 732-254-5352. (See calendar for dates)

NEW YEAR'S DAY 50/50 RAFFLE

The drawing for the New Year's Day Raffle will be on January 1 at 1 p.m. at SSK school

ANNUAL FISH FRY

We invite all parishioners to come and enjoy our annual fish fry on Friday, March 8 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Take-out orders will be available. Look for additional information about this event in an upcoming bulletin or on the Parish Web site.



EUCKARIST ADORATION

On the first Friday of January, February and March the adoration hour takes place from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish in South Amboy. If you prefer, there is also an adoration hour that takes place at Saint Bartholomew Church on Ryders Lane in East Brunswick.

~ **HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION** ~

THANK YOU

The HSA thanks everyone who 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 benefit our students and School.

SUPER SUNDAY CALENDAR RAFFLE

There is still time to purchase your raffle ticket. We are selling calendar raffle tickets at a cost of \$20 each. The tickets are being sold in our parish office and before and after Masses in the church lobby. A winner will be selected every Sunday from January through June 2018. Each raffle winner will receive a prize of \$100. The first drawing will be on Sunday, January 6.



~ **ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY** ~

ROSARY AND MASS

On January 6, February 3 and March 3, we meet to pray the Rosary at 8:35 a.m. and attend Mass at 9 a.m. Our monthly meeting will only take place on February 3 and March 3.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual RAS party is on January 6 at 2 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Washington Road in Parlin. The price for a ticket is \$27.

Flyers are available in the main lobby and the elevator lobby of the church. Family and friends are welcome to attend. Please put your payment in an envelope and place it in the collection baskets during Mass.

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

AA – Athletic Association

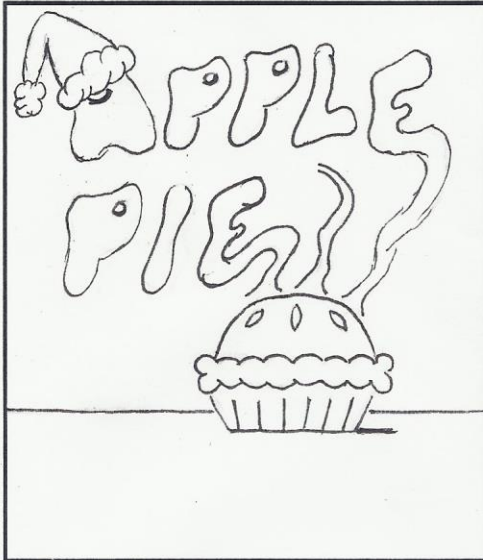
HNS – Holy Name Society

HSA – Home School Association

RAS – Rosary-Altar Society

SSK – Saint Stanislaus Kostka

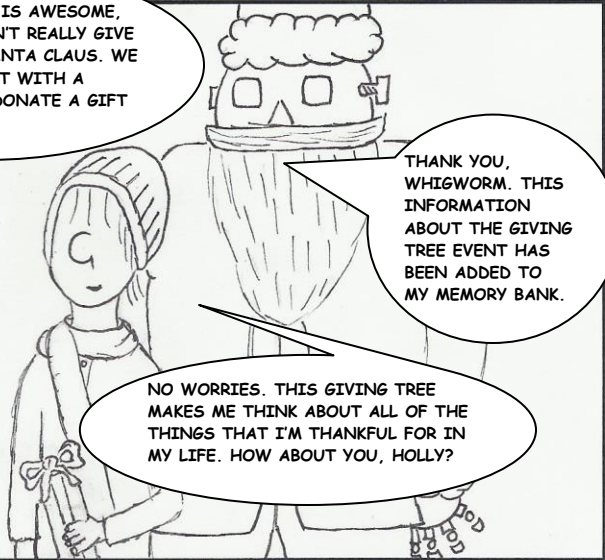
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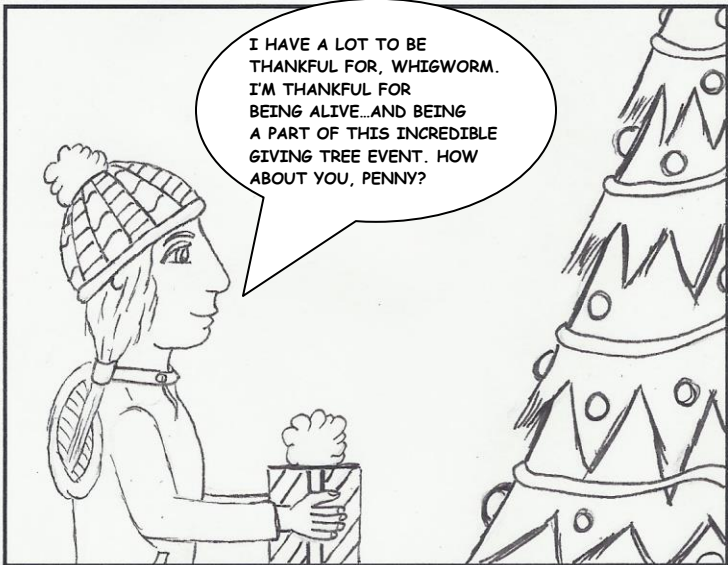


THIS GIVING TREE IS AWESOME, P3000. BUT WE DON'T REALLY GIVE OUT GIFTS LIKE SANTA CLAUS. WE TAKE AN ORNAMENT WITH A NAME ON IT AND DONATE A GIFT UNDER THE TREE.



THANK YOU, WHIGWORM. THIS INFORMATION ABOUT THE GIVING TREE EVENT HAS BEEN ADDED TO MY MEMORY BANK.

NO WORRIES. THIS GIVING TREE MAKES ME THINK ABOUT ALL OF THE THINGS THAT I'M THANKFUL FOR IN MY LIFE. HOW ABOUT YOU, HOLLY?



I HAVE A LOT TO BE THANKFUL FOR, WHIGWORM. I'M THANKFUL FOR BEING ALIVE AND BEING A PART OF THIS INCREDIBLE GIVING TREE EVENT. HOW ABOUT YOU, PENNY?



I'M THANKFUL FOR MY HOME. HOW ABOUT YOU, MAX?

I'M THANKFUL FOR MY FAMILY. WHAT ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR, WHIGS?



RIGHT NOW, I'M MOST THANKFUL FOR HAVING AMAZING FRIENDS IN MY LIFE.