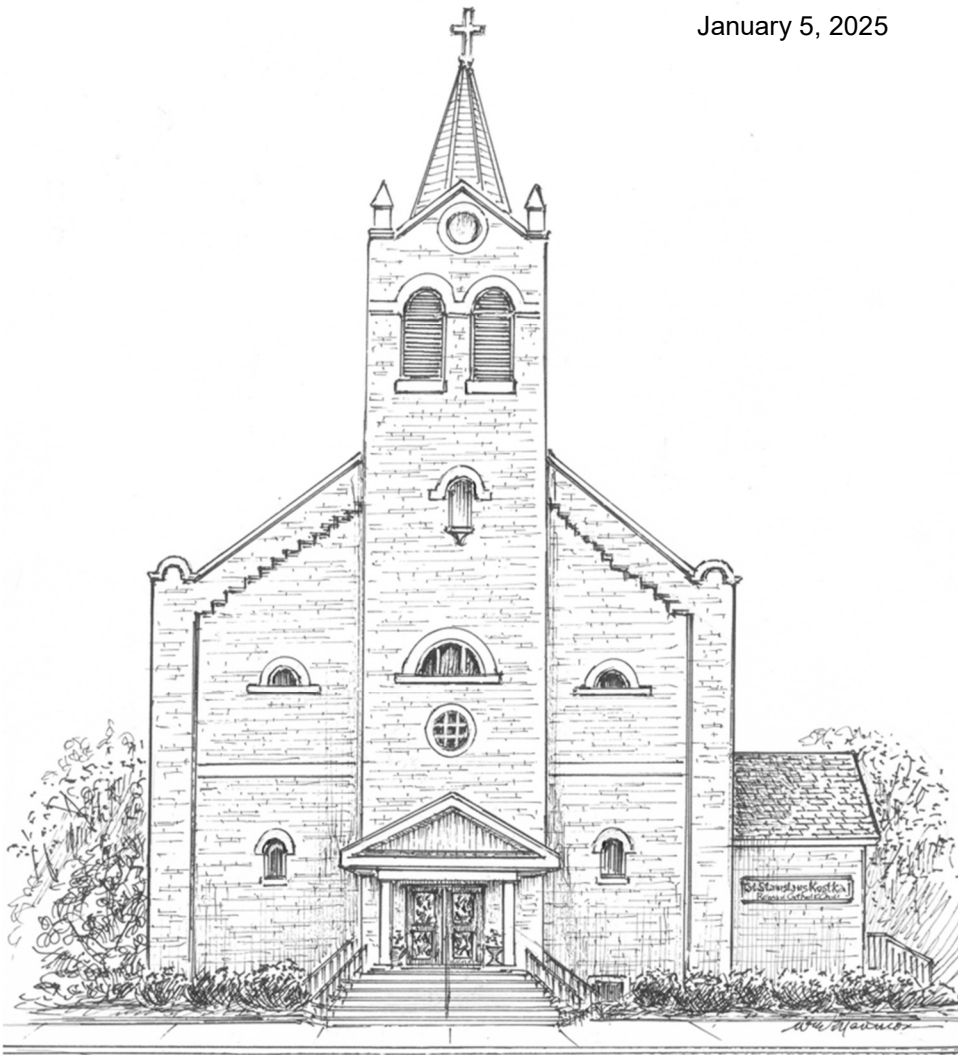


January 5, 2025



The Catholic Community of **St. Stanislaus Kostka Church**

225 MacArthur Avenue
Sayreville, NJ 08872

Serving the Catholics of Sayreville for 110 Years

Parish Membership

Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Parish Office. If you move or change your address, please notify us.

Baptisms

Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office.

Marriage

Please make arrangements by calling the Parish Office at least one year in advance. No Sunday weddings.

Served by:
Rev. Kenneth R. Murphy, Pastor
Rev. Pawel Michalowski
Parish Administrator
Rev. John P. Alvarado
Pastoral Mentor
Deacon David Mikolaj
Deacon Andrzej Ozga

Administrative Staff:
Jennifer Vichorec, Receptionist
Christina DeMeyer, Bookkeeper

School Staff:
Lori Hodder, Principal
Kimberly Carlson, Secretary

Director of Religious Education:
Jenn Taylor

Director of Sacred Music:
Sharon Wildnauer
Organist - Polish Mass:
Stanley Gmyrek
Director of Children's Choir:
Katlyn Colgan

Cemetery Staff:
(732)535-8670
Email: cemetery@sskparish.org

Trustees:
David Samuel
Annette Hockenjos

Parish Finance Council
Carlos Santiago, Chairman

Parish Office Hours:
Monday through Friday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.,
10:30 a.m. (Polish), and
12:00 Noon

Weekdays: 7:00 am, Saturday 7:30 a.m.
First Friday: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.
with school

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (with
school) and 7:00 p.m.

Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m. the evening
before the Holy Day

Rosary - Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Parish Directory

Parish Office/Rectory: (732)254-0212
Parish website: www.sskparish.org
E-mail: saintstanislaus@optonline.net
School: (732)254-5819
School website: www.sskschool.org

Confessions

Saturday: Following the 7:30 a.m. Mass and Novena
4:00 - 4:45 pm, English and Polish

Ministry to the Sick and Confined

Please contact the Parish Office regarding parishioners who are in the hospital or confined at home. If any parishioner is unable to get to Mass because of illness or handicap, please let us know so that we may bring the Eucharist to them.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025

5:00 pm †Mark Sielewicki - Holly Jarusiewicz

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

7:30 am †Lydia Rodriguez Ramos - Catallo & Rispoli Families

9:00 am St. Stan's Rosary Altar Society and Holy Name Society

10:30 am †Mieczysława & Edmund Karabasz

12:00 Noon †Raymond Suchcicki - Lorraine & Frank Baumann

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025

7:00 am †Halina & Walter Sosulski - Joseph Olchowicz

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025

7:00 am †Matthew Krolick - Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025

7:00 am †Louise Grodzki - Joe & Kathy Myers

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

7:00 am Parishioners

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025

7:00 am Parishioners

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2025

7:30 am †Marilyn Zielinski - Kathy Krolick

5:00 pm †Adele Wrobel - Walter & Bettyanne Suchowiecki

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

7:30 am †Louise Grodzki - Ed Puchalski

9:00 am †Diane Piekarski - Robert & Barbara Egan

10:30 am †Rozalia & Ludwik Dopart - Albina

12:00 Noon Parishioners

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION Epiphany of Our Lord

...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

-MATTHEW 2:11



What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.



Candle Intentions

JANUARY 5, 2025



MAIN ALTAR

†Andrew Piatek, Sr. - Sister Rebecca Piatek Parishioners

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

Parishioners
Parishioners

SACRED HEART ALTAR

Parishioners
Parishioners



We observed the Star

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Astrologers from the east came looking for the newborn king of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell him where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

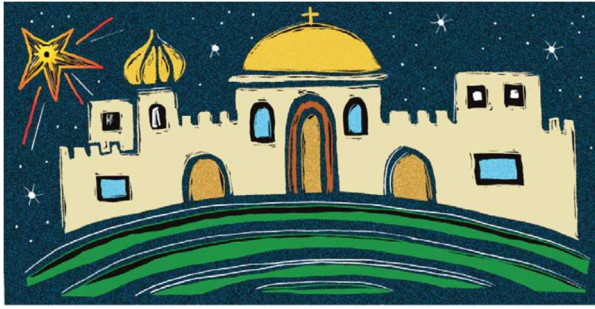
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They came bearing gifts of frankincense and myrrh

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. André Bessette
Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
Orthodox Christmas



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The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2025
 Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
 Your light has come,
 the glory of the Lord shines upon you.
 — Isaiah 60:1



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

1 Jn 3:22—4:6; Mk 4:12-17, 23-35

Tuesday

1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday

1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday

1 Jn 4:19—5:4; Lk 4:14-22

Friday

1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

Weekly Offering



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Sunday, December 29, 2024
Regular Collection - \$5,592.00
 Last Year - \$4,662.25
110th Anniversary Collection - \$3,088.00

Week at a Glance

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

Bingo - 1:30 pm. Doors open at 12 noon.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2025

First Penance & Communion Parent Meeting - 7:00 pm in the church

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2025

Rosary - 6:00 pm in the chapel

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

No Bingo

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

Second Collection - Snow Removal Collection

Children's Mass - 9:00 am

Bingo - 1:30 pm. Doors open at 12 noon.



Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Please pray for Maria Hernandez, Danuta Semotiuk, Patricia Kelly, Linda Hoffmann, Joanne Starzec, Anna Garrick, Barbara Catenacci, Carol Johnson, David Colgan, Carol Harning, Diane Helmy, Joe Bartkowicz, Steve Wiklinski, Patricia Palma, Tom Weber, Patty Kerekes, T. J. Villanti, Richard DuBois, Joseph Schlenger, Stephan Fiorino, Doreen Matzerath, Susan Carr, Anthony Aurilia, Marya Dimondi, Anthony Martino, Jean Scibek, Myron Mowczan, Carlo Manco, Mary Ferlita, Rev. Kenneth R. Murphy and all the sick and homebound of our parish.

If you or someone you know is sick, in the hospital, or homebound, please contact the parish office to have a name put on our Pray for the Sick list.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Robert Goldy and all the faithful departed of our parish. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Congratulations!

The Holy Name Society's New Year's Day 50/50 raffle winner was Loretta Albin who won \$2,067.50. Thank you for supporting our fund raiser.

Epiphany Home Blessings

Fr. John and Fr. Paul will be blessing homes in the coming weeks. If you would like to have your home blessed, please fill out this form, cut it out, place it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Z całego serca dziękujemy za oddaną i pełną profesjonalizmu pracę na rzecz naszej parafii, osobom, które w szczególny sposób przyczyniły się do ostatnich remontów.

- Bardsley Chris
- Bobek Dorota
- Bobek Roman
- Bobek Wojciech
- Doroba Jan
- Giza Grzegorz
- Gołębiowski Mieczysław
- Jackowski Tony
- Jackowski Brian
- Kaczor Robert
- Lewczuk Bogdan
- Pikuliński Ryszard
- Rędziniak Ryszard
- Rędziniak Witold
- Samuel Family
- Tymiński Paweł
- Zając Grzegorz

Serdeczne i szczególne podziękowanie kierujemy dla Stanisława Wnęk, za objęcie przewodnictwa we wszystkich projektach poniżej wymienionych, za zorganizowanie wszystkich wolontariuszy, dyscyplinę pracy, efektywność, oraz dopilnowanie, aby wszystko zostało wykonane profesjonalnie.

Wasze zaangażowanie w prace, takie jak: murarska naprawa schodów i murków przykościelnych, otynkowanie ścian na zewnątrz jak i wewnątrz kościoła, malowanie i czyszczenie ścian i okien w kościele i znajdującym się obok konwencie. Naprawa daszków przykościelnych. Odbudowa garażu (prawie że od podstaw) przykrycie go nowym dachem, obicie konstrukcji blachą aluminiową, instalacja nowej elektryki, instalacja nowych drzwi garażowych, malowanie okien, ścian garażowych, poprawka posadki w męskiej toalecie, operowanie podnośnika i jego holowanie, trzymanie drabiny, jak i sprzątanie komórek, piwnicy i jej osuszanie, konwentu i zaplecza biurowego, dało naszemu kościołowi nowy wygląd!

Ofiarowanie funduszy, czasu jak i materiałów budowlanych na ten cel, przyniosło naszemu kościołowi nowy blask i świeżość. Dzięki Waszemu wysiłkowi i oddaniu nasza wspólnota parafialna może korzystać z pięknie odnowionych przestrzeni, które służą nie tylko nam, ale także wszystkim odwiedzającym.

Wasza ciężka praca, poświęcenie i otwarte serca są dla nas świadectwem chrześcijańskiej miłości bliźniego i troski o wspólne dobro. Niech Bóg wynagrodzi Wam Waszą hojność i trud. Modlimy się o błogosławieństwo i obfitość łask dla Was i Waszych bliskich.

Z wyrazami wdzięczności,
Parafia św. Stanisława Kostki

With heartfelt gratitude, we thank those who have dedicated their time and professional effort to benefit our parish, especially those who contributed significantly to the recent renovations:

- Bardsley Chris
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We extend our heartfelt and special thanks to Stanisław Wnek for taking the lead on all of the listed below projects, organizing all the volunteers, maintaining discipline, efficiency, and ensuring that everything was carried out with professionalism.

Your dedication to tasks such as; masonry repairs of the steps and walls surrounding the church, plastering both the interior and exterior walls of the church, painting and cleaning walls and windows in the church and the adjacent convent, repairing church canopies, rebuilding the garage (nearly from scratch) and covering it with a new roof, cladding the structure with aluminum sheeting, installing new electrical wiring, installing new garage doors, painting windows and garage walls, fixing the floor in the men's restroom, operating and towing the lift, holding ladders, as well as cleaning storage areas, drying and cleaning the basement, convent, and office areas, has given our church a new appearance!

Your generous contribution of funds, time, and building materials has given our church a new glow and vitality. Thanks to your efforts and dedication, our parish community can now enjoy beautifully restored spaces that serve not only us but also all who visit.

Your hard work, devotion, and open hearts are a testament to Christian love for one's neighbor and care for the common good. May God reward your generosity and effort. We pray for blessings and an abundance of grace for you and your loved ones.

With gratitude,
St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish