

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 7, 2019 – **5th Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday**
Special Collection for the Mission Fund.

- **9:30 AM Holy Mass**
 † Alfreda Day – requested by Alfreda Janczuk
- Monday, April 8, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- Tuesday, April 9, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- Wednesday, April 10, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- Thursday, April 11, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- Friday, April 12, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- **7:00 PM Stations of the Cross / Droga Krzyżowa**
- Saturday, April 13, 2019 – **Lenten Weekday**
- Sunday, April 14, 2019 – **Palm Sunday**
- **9:30 AM Holy Mass**
 † Mabel Poposki (25th Anniversary of Death)
- **11:00 AM Palm Sunday Parish Breakfast**

SUNDAY MASS INTENSIONS:

- 4/21/2019** Easter – For All Our Beloved Dead
- 4/28/2019** † Verna Lopatkiewicz – Memorial Mass
- 5/05/2019** † Alfreda Day – requestetd by Joyce Paluszkiewicz
- 5/12/2019** Mother’s Day – For All Our Beloved Mothers (Living and Dead)
- 5/19/2019** † Verna Lopatkiewicz – requested by Cliff & Julie Brown
- 5/26/2019** † Very Rev. Joseph Kleppner, Ph.D.
- 6/02/2019** † Irina Kurbat – requested by daughters & family

Parish Committee Meeting Sunday, April 7, 2019

FAITH SHARING

Reminding us of God’s readiness to forgive sin, give the sinner a second chance, bind up broken lives, and restore people to His friendship, today’s readings challenge us to show the same mercy to the sinners around us and to live as forgiven people, actively seeking reconciliation with God and with one another. Don’t judge others because they sin differently than you.



The central theme of all three readings is a merciful God’s steadfast love. The readings remind us that we should not be self-righteous and condemn the lives of others when God is calling them tenderly to conversion.

CEMETERY CLEANING AND TREE CUTTING



On Saturday, April 13, 2019 Patrik, our cemetery caretaker needs our help. We are going to cut off few huge broken branches in the park which became very dangerous. For our safety we have to do it as soon as possible. Every pair of hands to help really counts. There will be a lot of cleaning after the tree is down. Please come and join us! We start at 9:00 AM. Don’t forget about protecting gloves and shoes. In advance thank you for your help!

PARISH COMMITTEE SWEARING-IN CEREMONY AND MEETING

Today, on Sunday, April 7, 2019 newly elected Parish Committee is invited to swearing-in ceremony during 9:30 AM Mass. There is a Parish Committee meeting after Mass.

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMISSION

A reminder to all students who are attending a college or university, either part-time or full-time, the deadline for the stipend application is quickly approaching April 15th, 2019. Remember, one must portray the following criteria; a member who is current paying; single premium; or fully paid-up member of the PNU for at least 5 years (this does not include Social Membership). The new application can be obtained from the website of the PNU (www.pnu.org) under downloadable forms.

Any questions or concerns please contact *Mary Ann Stankowski, Education and Youth Commission, Chairman*, eyc@pnu.org.

CEMETERY GROUND LEVELED

If you visit our cemetery please don’t be surprised that first five aisles are covered with fresh soil. We had to level those many places, where graves collapsed. It’s spring, so the grass seeds will sprout very quickly and pretty soon there will be one smooth lawn over there.

We would like to inform all those who set on the graves some little “gardens” surrounded by small fences made by brick or hard edging boards. They are forbidden and will be removed by cemetery caretaker.

EASTER LETTER SHIPPED

Probably you should receive my Easter Letter and the explanation how we split your donations that you make for our Parish. Please respond to this letter with your readiness to help our Parish. May God bless you for being very kind people.



In case you didn’t get our Easter Letter, it is available in the back of the church.



PALM SUNDAY PARISH BREAKFAST

You are all invited to our traditional Palm Sunday Breakfast. Delicious pancakes and sausage, Żurek with fresh kielbasa – the traditional Polish Easter soup will be served. Please come and support our Parish. \$15.00 plate donation.

CLERGY CONFERENCE

On Tuesday, April 16, 2019 there will be a Clergy Conference in Scranton followed by the Holy Mass of Chrism with the Consecration of the Holy Oils. If someone would like to go with me and participate in this Mass at St. Stanislaus Cathedral Church please let me know.

MEMORIAL MASS VS. REGULAR MASS

When some member or former member of our Church dies, sometimes, for many reasons, the family prefers a short funeral ceremony at the Funeral Home instead a full Catholic funeral with the Holy Mass in the church included. Or it can be also a last will of that person. As we know, every baptized person who passed away (even if it was a suicide) deserved a Holy Mass in his or her intention.

Regular Catholic funeral contains three parts:

1. Viewing with prayers at the Funeral Home (always there, never in the church).
2. Holy Mass with the body in the casket or the ashes in the urn after cremation.
3. Committal Service at the cemetery.

Memorial Mass is an optional part of the funeral service. It can be before burial or after, however more popular is after. Memorial Mass is said for the one particular deceased person and for this reason cannot be “merged” with some other Mass intention. Strictly speaking, it is a funeral Mass, but let’s say, postponed.

I encourage you to write in your Last Will just few words about your own funeral ceremony. Demand the Holy Mass. Don’t let your family do some shortcuts



making your funeral short and cheap. If you come to participate in Mass today, make sure that your body in the casket for the last time will be brought here as well for your own funeral Mass in your own church. Anyway, it is your birth to eternal life and as every Birthday, make it pretty as much as you can.

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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)

**DON'T JUDGE
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5th Sunday of Lent

Passion Sunday

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April 7, 2019