

## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 16, 2020 – **Sexagesima Sunday**

**9:30 AM Holy Mass**

† Elizabeth Boyk (56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of death) – requested by Leon Boyk & Family

Monday, February 17, 2020 – **Weekday**

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 – **Weekday**

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 – **Weekday**

Thursday, February 20, 2020 – **Weekday**

Friday, February 21, 2020 – **Weekday**

Saturday, February 22, 2020 – **Weekday**

Sunday, February 23, 2020 – **Sexagesima Sunday**

**9:30 AM Holy Mass**

† Frank & Bernice Samiec

3/1/2020 † Genevieve Hutchens– requested by Julie & Cliff Brown

3/8/2020 † Jan Pelka (11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of death)

3/15/2020 **OPEN**

3/22/2020 † Tadeusz Citko – requested by Bill Quilty

3/29/2020 † Helen Misiewicz (100<sup>th</sup> Birthday) – requested by Marianne Woodland & Henry Jackowicz

4/5/2020 **OPEN**

4/12/2020 Easter Sunday – reserved for all our deceased relatives

4/19/2020 † Joseph & Maryanna Statkiewicz

† Helen & Thomas Misiewicz

† Deceased members of Statkiewicz Family – requested by Marianne Woodland & Henry Jackowicz

4/26/2020 † Dominick Jeblonski – requested by Matulewicz, Kunciw and Jeblonski Families

5/10/2020 Mother's Day – For All Mothers

5/17/2020 **OPEN**

5/24/2020 † Bernard Minakowski - requested by Jeff & Donna Spotts

### ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday, February 26, is a holy day in obligation. All Catholics are obliged to participate in the Holy Mass that day and to do the act of penance by receiving the ashes on the forehead. This special day as the beginning of the Holy Lent cannot be transferred to Sunday. **The ashes will be distributed on Ash Wednesday only. Holy Mass will be at 7:00 PM.**

### PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Let us pray for: Ewelina Filyushchenko, Julie & Cliff Brown, Ed & Florence, Kapuscinski, Estelle McKee, Josephine Zdanowicz, Anna Mendla, Barbara Ganteski, Joseph Smith, Andy Stachowicz, Wanda Groman.

If you like to add somebody to this list please let us know.

### FAITH SHARING

Today's readings challenge us to choose freely and wisely to observe the laws given by a loving and caring God. He revealed His laws to His Chosen People through Moses and the prophets in the Old Testament, and through His own Son, Jesus, in the New Testament. For the Israelites, the Torah was not a set of laws, but the instruction or *teaching* intended to promote the holiness and wholeness of each believer. It was the revealed will of a caring God, for the people with whom had He made His covenant.

The first reading, taken from Sirach, contains the clearest statement in the Old Testament concerning the God-given freedom of the human will.

In the second reading, Paul challenges his Corinthian believers to appreciate the wisdom of God's saving plan for His people, a plan hidden for ages but now revealed by the Spirit.

In the selection from the Sermon on the Mount in today's Gospel, while challenging his disciples to live a life of justice and righteousness which should exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus, as the new lawgiver, sets forth his own position with regard to the Law given through Moses, by providing new interpretation and meaning for the old laws. In today's Gospel passage, Jesus explains the real meaning of three Mosaic laws concerning murder, adultery and false oaths.



### ST. VALENTINE'S FEAST DAY

St. Valentine is the patron saint of our Parish. To honor him, today we celebrate a special Mass. We pray for all those whom we love. There is no better gift than receiving the Holy Communion and offering it for the beloved person. After the Mass all are invited to our church hall for coffee and something sweet.

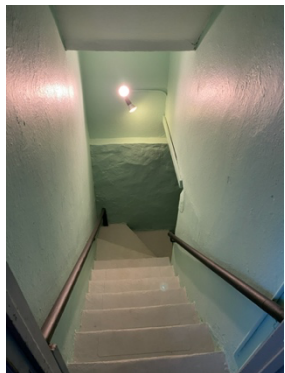
### SIX NEW (OLD) CANDELABRAS FOR THE FUNERAL MASSES

Since the end of June I was working on the old candelabras which I have found behind the altar. They were all covered by rust, dirt, paraffin and paint. Maybe some of you can remember them being in use during funeral Masses many years ago. I decided to give them a second lives. After cleaning them, polishing them, painting by hand and mechanically and painting they look good again and hopefully they will serve for us for many years. One parishioner paid for the paint to restore them. Now these candelabras need six pillar oil candles. Searching the web I found nice candles made and available in Poland. The total cost of 6 oil refillable candles including shipping will be around \$400. To compare, the price of just one similar candle in the USA is around \$180. If there is some family/families/individual who would like to sponsor those candles for St. Valentine's Parish, please let me know.

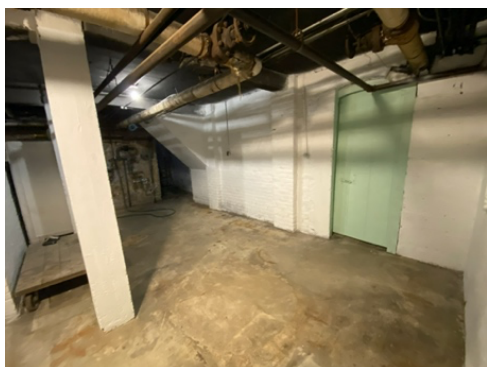
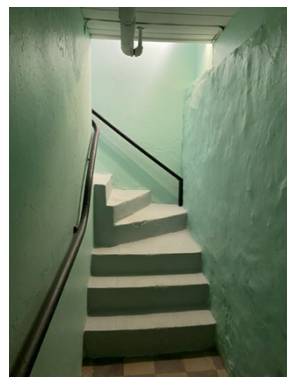
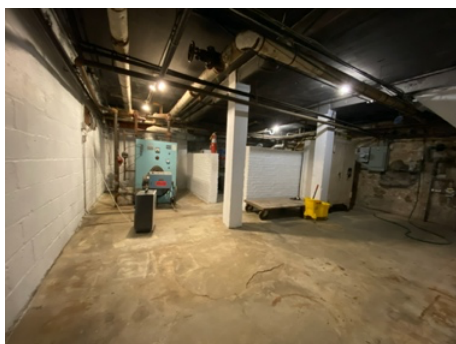
## CEMETERY

Please remove any Christmas decorations from the graves of your relatives until February 16, 2020. Today is the last day to do so. Tomorrow all remaining items will be trashed.

## CHURCH HALL BASEMENT HEATER ROOM PAINTED



The boiler room is all cleaned, empty and painted. All unnecessary items have been trashed. This room was packed with all kind of trash, car parts, wheels, rusted pipes and molded wood collected there for over 50 years. With the help of Leon I removed partially all metal junk. With the help of Patrik and Vlad (thanks guys) I was able to emptied it completely. We packed the whole truck of trash. Today, with pleasure, I can say: another gift for St. Valentine's Parish – pretty big job in the basement is done. Thanks to one of our anonymous parishioner who donated the paint this project could be completed.



# ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)



6<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday  
Sexagesima

6 Niedziela Zwykła

February 16, 2020