

Mass Intention: in memory of *† Stella Tosila (28th ann.)*; Requested by daughter Laura Smith & Family.

A reading from the Book of Exodus (20:1-3,7-8,12-17)

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD am your God, who brought you out

of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me.

You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

## Psalm (19) <u>Response:</u> Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

## A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1:22-25)

Brothers and sisters: Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

We are Catholic community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.
Everyone is always welcome to worship with us in our beautiful church. It is a house of prayer for all, who with sincere heart desire to praise the only God.



#### Gospel Acclamation: <u>Glory to you,</u> <u>O Christ, King of eternal glory!</u>

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

## A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John (2:13-25)

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to

those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said



to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

For us as Catholics Lenten season is a special time of preparation through prayer, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and self-denial for celebration of the most important mysteries of our faith, namely passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, each Friday of the Lent we should refrain from eating meat and poultry. This applies to all of us between the ages of 16 and 65. However, individuals with some medical conditions are exempt. Let us also remember about charity deeds for those in need within our community.

Stations of the Cross are held each Friday during Len at 6:30 PM. This devotion is combined with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, which concludes with Benediction.

**The Elected officers** at the last annual meeting who will serve in our Parish Board this year will take the oath on Sunday, March 10th, which is the Solemnity of the Institution of our Church, (127 years). They have already been approved by our Bishop Paul Sobiechowski. Also a few new parishioners will officially join our parish.

▶ Pastoral/Sacramental Visit. If you are confined at home or have a family member at hospital or nursing home unable to take part in Sunday Mass and Sacraments, please notify the father to set the day and time for pastoral visit. In emergency call directly Fr. Paul's mobile phone @ 475-208-4455.

The Stations of the Cross - This Lenten devotion bring us closer to Christ as we meditate on the great love He showed for us in His most sorrowful passion! Tradition traces this loving tribute to our Lord back to the Blessed Mother's retracing her son's last steps along what became known as the Via Dolorosa (the Sorrowful Way) on His way to His Crucifixion at Calvary in Jerusalem. - Pilgrims to the Holy Land commemorated

them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

#### General Intercession:

Response: Lord of mercy, hear our prayer.



➡ Please remember in your prayer those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes, especially our

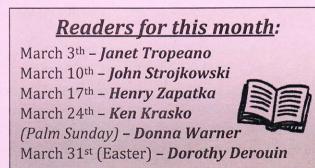


parishioners and friends: Chervl Peters, Sarah Squezello, Loaan Caruso,

Debbie and Emil Caruso, Robert and Aiden Klain, Agnes Geruch, Very Rev. Senior Joseph Soltvsiak, Lorraine Krusienski (Very Rev. Joe Krusienski's wife).

Heating of our church. So far, we have raised \$3,170 for this purpose. THANK YOU **VERY MUCH!** 

Our delicious pierogi, cheese or potatoes, as well as stuffed cabbage - gołąbki, are available from our freezer. Credit card payments are now ACCEPTED!



Christ's Passion in a similar manner as early as the 4<sup>th</sup> century A.D. Then the Stations of the Cross developed as a devotion in earnest, however, around the 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> centuries. It became a way of allowing those who could not make the long, expensive, arduous journey to Jerusalem to make a pilgrimage in prayer, at least, in their church.



**Pretzels** - Pretzels had their origin in early Christian Lenten practice. "Because fat, eggs, and milk were forbidden during Lent, a special bread was made with dough consisting of only flour, salt, and water. These little breads were shaped in the form of arms crossed in prayer and were called bracellae (Latin, 'little arms'). Among the Germans the Latin word became 'bretzel.' Pretzels were a common Lenten food throughout the Middle Ages in Europe.