

# Mary, Undoer of Knots Parish



February 11, 2024



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.  
- Mk 1:44-45b

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6 Niedziela Zwykła

11 luty 2024

### St. Constance Church

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#### Mass Schedule

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:00am  
SATURDAY 4:00pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)  
SUNDAY 7:30am & 10:30am

**KOŚCIÓŁ ŚW. KONSTANCJI  
ROZKŁAD MSZY ŚW.**

PONIEDZIAŁEK - PIĄTEK 7:00pm  
NIEDZIELA 9:00am 12:30pm 7:00pm

### St. Robert Bellarmine Church

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#### Mass Schedule

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:30am  
SATURDAY 5:15pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)  
SUNDAY 9:00am and 12:00 noon

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
Followed by Benediction.**

First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm

**MASS INTENTIONS - St. Constance****Monday, February 12**

8:00am Eng + Delia Gilligan  
7:00pm Pol Intencje Specjalne

**Tuesday, February 13**

8:00am Eng + Regina Danek  
7:00pm Pol Intencje Specjalne

**Wednesday, February 14 ASH WEDNESDAY**

8:00am Eng + Marion Dubiel  
9:30am Pol Intencje Specjalne  
12:15pm Eng St. Constance School  
7:00pm Pol Intencje Specjalne

**Thursday, February 15**

8:00am Eng + Franciszej i Maria Popiołek  
7:00pm Pol Intencje Specjalne

**Friday, February 16**

8:00am Eng For God's blessings for Sr. Anna  
on her Birthday  
8:30am Eng Stations of the Cross  
7:00pm Pol Droga Krzyżowa  
7:30pm Pol Intencje Specjalne

**Saturday, February 17**

*The Seven Holy Founders of the  
Servite Order*  
8:00am Eng Sabina i Tadeusz Smalec  
4:00pm Eng + Loretta Josefowski  
+ Ligia Sanchez  
6:00pm Pol Nabożeństwo Straży Honorowej

**Sunday, February 18**

7:30am Eng *First Sunday of Lent*  
9:00am Pol + Regina Danek  
Grazyna z Rodziną  
Paulina – w intencji Bogu wiadomej  
przez wstawiennictwo Sw. Józefa  
+ Teresa Zajac  
+ Kazimierz i Maria Urbanski  
+ Wacława Milewski-Cichon  
+ Józef Zegar  
+ Sophie Melvin  
+ Amelia i Jan Niewiarowski  
+ Krystyna i Bronisław Gruszka  
+ Zofia Ziomek  
+ Józef Burzec  
+ Wojciech Komperda  
+ Tadeusz Chwała  
+ Zofia i Stanisław Bachula  
+ Tony Sidor  
Lucyna Jurkowska z Rodziną  
Stanisław Abratanski z Rodziną  
Edward i Maja Ramotowski o zdrowie,  
opiekę MB i Boże bł. z okazji urodzin  
+ Józef i Władysława Szymanski  
+ Maria Sokolowski  
+ Krystyna i Bronisław Gruszka  
+ Jerzy Kusmierz w miesiąc po śmierci  
+ Mateusz, Zofia, Halina Malinowski  
o Boże Miłosierdzie  
+ Maria Mulica  
+ Jerzy Kusmierz  
+ Tadeusz Boblak  
+ Ireneusz Łyko  
7:00pm Pol Wolontariuszy pomagających  
w naszej Parafii  
Parafian, Dobrodziejów  
O zdrowie i Bożą opiekę dla Zofii  
Pacyk i syna Jana  
+ Edward Kwiatkowski

10:30am Eng  
12:30m Pol

**ADORACJA****Najświętszego Sakramentu**

**Niedziela, 11 luty**  
**po Mszy św. o 7:00pm**



**Oprawa muzyczna**  
**Zespół "LEDNICA"**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Sunday - February 11 after 7pm Mass.

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**

this week will be lit for

**+ Roberta & John  
Wachowicz**



**WE WILL BE ADDING THE**  
**"PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY"**  
**LIST TO THE BULLETIN.**

If you would like to include someone on  
this list, please call the rectory office with  
the following information.

**The name of the person serving in the  
military, their rank and where they serve.**



## MASS INTENTIONS - St Robert

<b>Monday, February 12</b> 8:30 am	+ James Peterson + Eileen Tomazin
<b>Tuesday, February 13</b> 8:30 am	+ Rita M. Dunn + Mr. & Mrs. Justa & Emily Peterson
<b>Wednesday, February 14</b> 9:00 am	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> + Norma Vercillo Efen & Lou Jose (42nd wedding anniv)
1:30pm 7:00pm	
<b>Thursday, February 15</b> 8:30 am	
<b>Friday, February 16</b> 8:30 am	+ Sheila Johnson
<b>Saturday, February 17</b> 8:30 am 5:15 pm	<i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i> + Richard Fergus + John & Wanda Placek + Sheila Johnson + Rosemary Cannon + Ann & Mary Downes + Jim & Sheila Downes + Roseann McHugh Ed & Ana Baum (health intentions)
<b>Sunday, February 18</b> 9:00 am	<i>First Sunday of Lent</i> + Dianne Hoff + Nick Nardella + Nicholas Alleva, Jr (birthday remembrance) + Steven W. Henning + Mary Burns
12:00 pm	

Please pray for all those who have recently died and for their Families, especially:

### Dave Smolen

Please also pray for those who suffer and died. May they rest in peace.  
Otoczmy modlitwą wszystkich zmarłych oraz ich Rodziny.



**Gluten Free  
HOSTS  
are Available.**



Please ask an usher for details.

## Confession Schedule/Spowiedź Św.

St. Constance Church/ Kościół Św. Konstancji

TUESDAYS/ WTORKI: 6:00pm - 7:00pm  
SATURDAYS/ SOBOTY: 3:00pm - 3:45pm

St. Robert Bellarmine Church  
SATURDAYS: 4:30pm - 5:00pm

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK MÓDLMY SIĘ ZA OSOBY CHORE

Stanislaw Abratański Maria Antosz Edward Bastian Elaine Beatovic Aleksandra Bielska Barbara Broecker Linda Christensen Carol Das-Poole Ellie Denz Jerzy Dudek Deacon Bill Frere Ginger Frere Janina Gawel Constance Grodecki Zenon Grodecki Josefina Hernandez Ray Hoffelt Robert Hogan Ray Hohmeier Michelle Hohmeier-Ryan Robert Houren Shirley Houren Maria Lourdes Jose Michael James	Maria Johnson Judy Kaner Donald Keegan Barbara Kilton Jan Kozan Kazimierz Koziol Ralph Kudsk Veronica Lisowski Hector Magnanao Krystyna Majka Helen Mittelbrun Sr. Mary Bridget Murphy Patricia O'Keefe Joel Pasowicz Arlene Placek Lorraine Placek Franciszka Purchla Dolores Purtell Laura Ryan Joel Stefka Wilson Torres Joann Trentadue James Van Vliet
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... and all those in our Book of intentions and on the Parish app

Please call our office to update the Sick List published in our bulletin.  
Prosimy aby dzwonić do biura parafialnego w celu uaktualnienia Listy Chorych w naszym biuletynie.

## ADORATION SCHEDULE

### ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH EVERY THURSDAY

- 8:00am - Rosary
- 8:30am - Holy Mass
- 9:00am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 12:30pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 1:00pm - Benediction



### ST. CONSTANCE - EVERY TUESDAY ŚW. KONSTANCJA - W KAŻDY WTOREK

- 7:30am - Rosary (English)
  - 8:00am - Holy Mass (English)
  - 12:00pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
  - 3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Polish)
  - 6:00pm-7:00pm - Confession (English & Polish)
  - 6:30pm - End of exposing of the Blessed Sacrament
  - 7:00pm - Holy Mass (Polish)
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- 7:30am - Różaniec (English)
  - 8:00am - Msza Święta (English)
  - 12:00pm - Wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu
  - 3:00pm - Koronka do Bożego Miłosierdzia (Polish)
  - 6:00pm-7:00pm - Spowiedź (English & Polish)
  - 7:00pm - Msza Święta (Polish)

# LENT WIELKI POST



## Ash Wednesday February 14

### St. Robert Bellarmine Church

- 9:00am Mass
- 1:30pm School Mass
- 4:00pm Prayer Service
- 7:00pm Mass

### St. Constance Church

- 8:00am Mass
- 12:15pm School Mass



## Środa Popielcowa 14 Luty Kościół pw. św. Konstancji

- 9:30am Msza św.
- 7:00pm Msza św.

## Station of the Cross

### FRIDAYS

### St. Robert Bellarmine Church

- 9:00am
- 2:00pm SRB School - Mar 1 & 8  
No Stations of the Cross

### St. Constance Church

- 8:30am
- 2:15pm SC School - starting Feb 23 &  
Mar 1 - No Stations of the Cross



## Droga Krzyżowa

### PONIEDZIAŁEK

- 19, 26 lutego; 4, 18, 25 marca
- 6:30pm Dzieci

### PIĄTEK

- 7:00pm

## Gorzkie Żale

### NIEDZIELA

- 6:00pm



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

# Together at the table


[annualcatholicappeal.com](http://annualcatholicappeal.com)


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## PLEASE MAKE YOUR GIFT TO THE 2024 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

### Together at the Table

*This weekend, February 10-11, is Commitment Weekend for the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. At all weekend masses you will hear the Annual Catholic Appeal homily from Cardinal Cupich.*

*Once again, on behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes, and schools that receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your generous gifts.*

*Please complete the pledge envelope in your pew as instructed, or return your response as soon as possible via the collection basket, to the Parish Office, or by mailing directly to the processing center. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer the call "Together at the Table." As a reminder, Appeal funds support;*

- *Outreach initiatives for young adults, families, children and others;*
- *Spiritual renewal efforts to help transform parishes to share our faith in new and creative ways;*
- *Education and development for seminarians and priests in the Archdiocese of Chicago;*
- *Support for parishes and schools serving financially challenged communities.*

*As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, let us also reflect on our gratitude. Your financial support for the work of our parish, our archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is one way to express this gratitude. Please give what you can to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal.*

*May our Lord bless you and keep you,*

*Father Robert Lojek, Pastor*

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



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January 23, 2024

Reverend Robert Lojek  
Pastor, Mary Undoer of Knots Parish  
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Dear Father Lojek,

Upon the recommendation of the Vicar for Deacons, I am pleased to assign Deacon David Reyes of the Archdiocese of Chicago to assist you at Mary Undoer of Knots Parish.

This assignment will be effective from February 1, 2024, for a probationary period of six months. Enclosed is a temporary ministerial agreement for you and Deacon Reyes to complete, execute, and return to the Office for the Diaconate. In accordance with the policies of the Archdiocese, prior to August 1, 2024, an evaluation form will be sent to you by the Vicar for Deacons to determine if you and Deacon Reyes are in agreement that this assignment should be extended.

Please know that I am grateful for your ministry to the people of Mary Undoer of Knots Parish and hope that the assignment of Deacon Reyes will be beneficial for all concerned.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you and all at the Mary Undoer of Knots Parish community every blessing; you are in my prayers. In the days ahead, I would be grateful for your remembrance of me in prayer and at the Lord's Table. With kind personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

  
Archbishop of Chicago

*Enclosure*

cc: Most Reverend Robert Casey, Vicar General  
Very Reverend Marek Smolka, Interim Vicar, Vicariate IV  
Deacon David Keene, Chancellor  
Reverend Stephen Beaven, Pastor, St. Benedict Parish  
Deacon James Norman, Vicar for Deacons  
Deacon David Brencic, Associate Director for Deacons  
Deacon John Gaughan, Vicariate Deacon Coordinator  
Deacon Christopher Virruso, Deanery Deacon Coordinator  
Deacon David Reyes



## CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH February 15 - March 19

at Mary Undoer of Knots Parish  
- St. Constance campus  
5843 W Strong St  
Chicago, IL 60630

Meetings will take place at Borowczyk Hall  
on Thursdays at 7:00pm

**1ST MEETING FEB. 15**  
**2ND MEETING FEB. 22**  
**3RD MEETING FEB. 29**  
**4TH MEETING MAR. 7**  
**5TH MEETING MAR. 14**

Consecration will take place on  
St. Joseph Feast Day - March 19  
- time to be determined



## MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR CLUB WILL MEET ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT ST. CONSTANCE BOROWCZYK HALL, 5856 W. AINSLIE. DOORS OPEN 11:30 A.M.

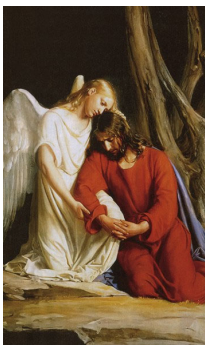
Since Our Utility Bills Are Always On The Rise, We Have A Speaker From The Citizen Utility Board Providing Resources To Help Residents Navigate The Often-Confusing World Of Public Utilities. Lunch Will Be Stuffed Shells, Salad, Rolls and Dessert. Cost Is \$6. We Will Be Celebrating St. Patrick'S Day At Our March Meeting. Lunch Will Be Corn Beef on Croissants Plus Sides and Dessert. Since We Have To Order Ahead Of Time, We Will Need A Definite Count.

Lunch Will Be \$8 Payable at The February Meeting.  
Any questions, call Sharon Malen (847) 258-4428

KLUB SENIORÓW MŁODYCH DUCHEM

## NABOŻEŃSTWO STRAŻY HONOROWEJ NAJŚWIĘTSZEGO SERCA PANA JEZUSA I NIEPOKALANEGO SERCA MARYI ODBĘDZIE SIĘ 17 LUTEGO O GODZ 6:00 WIECZOREM W PARAFII MARYI ROZWIĄZUJĄCEJ WĘZŁY, W KOŚCIELE ŚW. KONSTANCJI.

Straż Honorowa Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa jest odpowiedzią wrażliwych serc na skargę Pana Jezusa skierowaną do apostołów w Ogrodzie Oliwnym: "Czy nie mogliście czuwać jednej godziny ze Mną". Jej członkowie starają się poświęceniem i miłością pocieszać Serce Pana Jezusa napełnione boleścią z powodu zapomnienia, niewdzięczności i grzechów całego świata. Do udziału w tym pięknym nabożeństwie bardzo serdecznie zaprasza: Ks. Andrzej Izyk, Dyrektor Straży Honorowej NSPJ



(Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary—February 17, at 6pm)



## ZARZĄD KLUBU POLONIA

działający przy kościele Św. Konstancji serdecznie zaprasza członków oraz chętnych na pierwsze w Nowym Roku 2024 spotkanie **w niedzielę 18 lutego, 2024.** Zebranie rozpocznie się uroczystą mszą Świętą w intencji żyjących i zmarłych członków Klubu **o godzinie 12.30 po południu** a następnie spotkanie w sali Ks. Borowczyka.

Serdecznie zapraszamy i do zobaczenia!!!!

Board of the Polonia Club Meeting

**Cardinal Cupich's Column from the Archdiocese of Chicago website**

## Healing the sick, healing relationships

In 1992, Pope John Paul II called for a day of prayer for the sick, which began the practice of an annual World Day of the Sick on Feb. 11, the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes. This was very personal for the saintly pope, as a year earlier he had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, from which he suffered until his death in 2005.

Since John Paul II called for a day of prayer for the sick, he and his successors have issued an annual message to shine light on the admirable work done by those who serve in Catholic health ministry and to draw attention to the importance of caring for the sick as central to the ministry Jesus entrusted to the church.

Pope Francis recently issued his annual message, in which he urges us to stand in solidarity with the sick, so that their suffering is not compounded by a feeling of isolation. He begins by reminding us that from the beginning of creation God always intended that humanity should live in communion and in relationships with each other. We read in Genesis: "It is not good that man should be alone." It is not good because it is at odds with our nature of being created in the image of God, who is a Trinity of persons, a communion of love given and received.

That core tenet of our faith, the Holy Father tells us, should guide us as we care for those who suffer illnesses. Care of the sick surely means providing them with the best medical attention possible. In fact, as the pope argues, everyone has a right to health care and it should never be considered a commodity for only those who can afford it. Health care is central to human flourishing, and political decisions about health care must focus on the dignity of the human person and his or her needs.

But health care also should aim at caring for relationships, to offer those struggling with illness our love and compassion, so that they do not feel alone. Our local church here in Chicago was guided by this Gospel value during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially as I recall the dozens of priests who volunteered to visit patients in the hospital, anointing them and making sure that they did not face the hour of death alone. They did so at great risk to themselves. They were untiring in making multiple visits to hospitals, even as the high volume of requests increased.

Similarly, I stand in admiration of the many nurses and hospital staff who worked tirelessly to care for those infected with the lethal virus. Many times they volunteered to record the visits of the priests on their phones to share with the patients' families and friends. This was a great consolation to those who felt helpless in not being able to be present with their loved ones at the hour of death.

As we again prepare to celebrate the World Day of the Sick, we are treated to texts from the Gospel of Mark, in which Jesus reveals that he was sent into the world to heal us — from sin, from illness, from division and isolation. His example of healing should continue to guide the church's outreach to those who suffer illness, as Pope Francis observes: "The sick, the vulnerable, and the poor are at the heart of the Church. ... They must also be at the heart of our human concern and pastoral attention."

The Holy Father concludes his message by speaking directly to the sick and offering these encouraging words: "To those of you who experience illness, whether temporary or chronic, I would say this: Do not be ashamed of your longing for closeness and tenderness! Do not conceal it, and never think that you are a burden on others."

The celebration of the World Day of the Sick provides the opportunity to thank all those who daily care for the sick and the vulnerable in hospitals, nursing homes, hospice services, as well as those who offer pastoral care through chaplaincy services. They need care too. It also should inspire us to continue the mission of Jesus by doing all we can to stay close to those who suffer illness, but also to heal those relationships in our lives which can leave us and others isolated from one another, and cause so much unneeded suffering in our world.

*The full text of the pope's message can be found at:*

*[vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/20240110-giornata-malato.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/sick/documents/20240110-giornata-malato.html)*



# SAINT vs. BLESSED

## QUESTION: WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A “SAINT” AND A “BLESSED”?

**Answer:** The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot. It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the “canon”) of saints. This is the meaning of the word “canonization.”

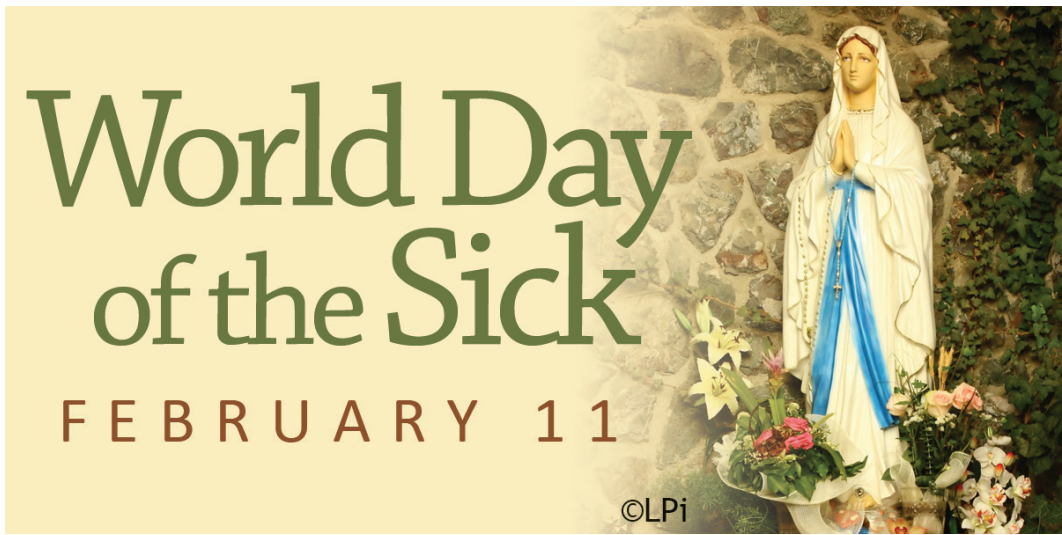
Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person’s life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of “heroic virtue.” Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as “Blessed.” This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the “Blessed” is canonized and honored with the title “Saint,” meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.

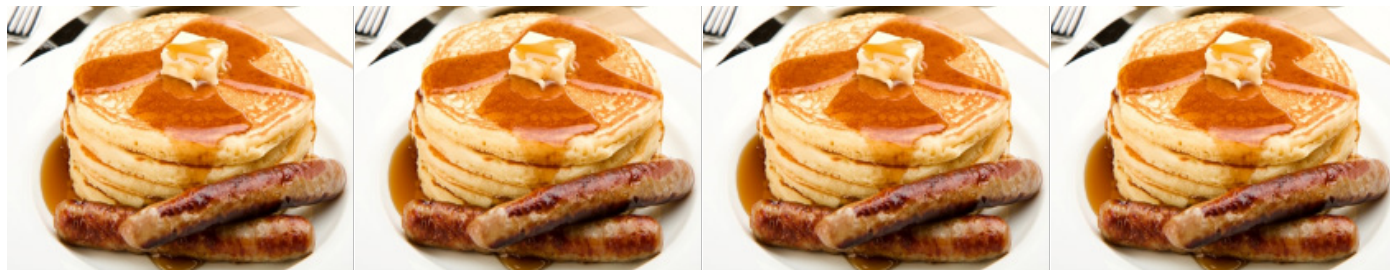
## PYTANIE: JAKA JEST RÓŻNICA MIĘDZY “ŚWIĘTYM” A “BŁOGOSŁAWIONYM”?

**Odpowiedź:** Proces ogłaszania kogoś świętym w Kościele katolickim ewoluował na przestrzeni wielu wieków. Na początku osoby honorowane jako święci były prawie wyłącznie postaciami biblijnymi lub męczennikami. Jednak po legalizacji chrześcijaństwa w IV wieku, nowe święte kobiety i mężczyźni zaczęli być honorowani jako święci, a często odbywało się to poprzez powszechne uznanie lub przez lokalnego biskupa lub opata. To papież Grzegorz IX (który był papieżem w latach 1227-1241) oficjalnie ogłosił, że tylko papież ma prawo dodać kogoś do oficjalnej listy (“kanonu”) świętych. Takie jest znaczenie słowa “kanonizacja”.

Obecnie proces ogłaszania świętych obejmuje kilka etapów, w tym szczegółowe badania życia danej osoby i uznanie, że zginęła ona jako męczennik lub prowadziła życie “heroicznej cnoty”. Gdy ktoś zostanie uznany za męczennika lub jeśli cud zostanie przypisany jego wstawiennictwu, zostanie beatyfikowany i uhonorowany jako “błogosławiony”. Oznacza to, że mogą oni być czczeni przez katolików w danym kraju lub regionie lub przez członków określonej wspólnoty religijnej. Jeśli wydarzy się kolejny cud i zostanie on zatwierdzony, wówczas “błogosławiony” zostaje kanonizowany i uhonorowany tytułem “świętego”, co oznacza, że jest teraz oficjalnie uznawany za uniwersalny wzór świętości i orędownika.

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**ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS PLEASE JOIN US AT THE MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS HOLY NAME SOCIETY'S ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST!!**

**Saint Constance Campus - Borowczyk Hall:  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 8:00 AM TO 1:30 PM.**

\$ 8.00 per person includes Coffee, Juice, Mixed Berry Compote, Two Sausages, and our famous All You Can Eat Pancakes!! (5 year olds and under are free).

Enjoy a great breakfast with your family and friends and support your parish Holy Name Society and our 100th. Anniversary mass (celebrated by Bishop Thomas Paprocki on Saturday, June 22, 2024)! We look forward to serving you!

***MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS HOLY NAME SOCIETY***



### ***Dedicate the Sanctuary Candle***

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns all day and night throughout the year to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ.

It serves as a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp at St. Robert Bellarmine Church burning **in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention** please make arrangements with the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is **\$25.00**. Your candle will burn continuously for one week, and your memorial will be published in the Bulletin.

We hope you choose to take part in this beautiful Catholic tradition.

**Świeca ku pamięci ukochanej osoby, dla uczczenia specjalnej okazji lub specjalnej intencji. Koszt \$25**



The afternoon of January 21, 2024, we met as a community of Mary, Undoer of Knots Parish for caroling, sharing the wafer and a tasty lunch provided by Montrose Deli. We would like to thank all parishioners, guests, parish organizations, priests, deacons, nuns, benefactors and friends for attending our post Christmas celebration. We would also like to thank all of the volunteers for their help and time. It was a great show of support for our parish.

**The proceeds of \$3,865.00 will be used to support upcoming Parish projects.**

*God Bless You!! Fr. Robert Lojek and organizing committee.*

Po mszy Św. 21 stycznia spotkaliśmy się, jako Wspólnota parafii Maryi Rozwiązującej węzły, na wspólnym kolędowaniu, dzieleniu się opłatkiem i smacznym obiedzie, przygotowanym przez Montrose Deli. Dziękujemy wszystkim Parafianom, Gościom, Organizacjom Parafialnym, Księżom, Diakonom, Siostram Zakonnym, Dobrodziejom i Przyjaciołom za przybycie na Nasz Parafialny Opłatek a Wolontariuszom za wszelką okazaną pomoc i poświęcony czas. W ten sposób wszyscy pomogliśmy parafii.

**Dochód z opłatka - \$3,865 zostanie przeznaczony na zakup stołów i wsparcie przyszłych projektów parafialnych.**

*Serdecznie Bóg zapłać! Ks. Robert Lojek z komitetem organizacyjnym*



## REFLECT Retreat

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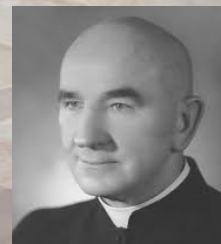
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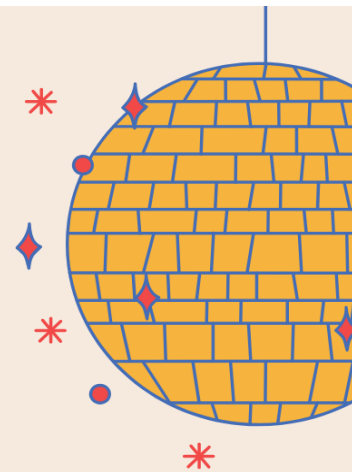
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# DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES



**MARCH 9, 2024**

**6:30-10:30 PM**

**BIAGIO EVENTS**

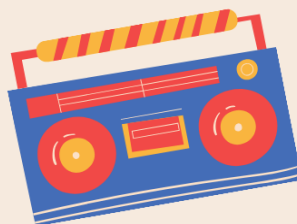
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**DINNER AND DRINKS!**

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**TAKE A CHANCE AT WINNING AN AMAZING RAFFLE BASKET!**



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## ON BEING ANGRY (JESUS AND ME)

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In my Book (The New American Bible for Catholics), Hebrews 13:2 reads like this: “Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.” That’s fine, but when I was first introduced to the passage long ago, the verse was taken from some other biblical translation that I found more poetic: “Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”

I’ve taken the words to heart ever since. Not that I always do stop to entertain strangers, but sometimes I do. And even when I don’t, the passage from Hebrews is often in the back of my head. “Is this some angel in disguise, coming into my life for a reason?” Might be. Heck. May be. The only trouble is that eight times out of ten when these would-be angels come into my life, they come into it asking for money.

Of course, they come into it first with their hard-luck stories, sad tales akin to “My car broke down and I need money for a tow” or “My elderly neighbor needs money for food” or “I need money for bus fare to get home to see my folks.” Once an angel-in-disguise even asked for my address, promising to send the money back to me. I’m embarrassed to tell you I fell for it. About thirty years ago. I’m still waiting.

Another angel wannabe hit me up for cash just a couple of days ago near the Jewel at Central and Lawrence. I was walking toward the south entrance when I saw him--young guy, red sweatshirt--headed the same way. When he looked in my direction, my spidey-sense went off. Seconds later: “Can you help me out with two dollars? I don’t have the money and I need to get a few things at Walgreens.”

My first reaction was anger. I asked him if he knew how many times strangers have asked me for money. I told him I’d been stiffed by people who lied to me. I told him that I was sure he wasn’t lying to me, but then I asked him anyway, “Are you?” He stammered “No,” not convincingly. I gave him a dollar and I steamed into the store. When I exited minutes later, he was still there. I asked him to tell me just one of the things he needed to buy at Walgreens. He stammered again, and I got angry again.

You know. Like Jesus getting angry in today’s Gospel, Mark’s account of a leper who begs to be made clean. Jesus is “moved with pity” before healing the man, but some translations hold that Jesus grows angry first. If so, why? Scholars say that Jesus is angry with a system that makes the leper an outcast (or as the late Fr. Roger Karban put it, Jesus is “...uptight with a frame of mind which created an environment in which such people are officially walled off from everyone else”).

I’d like to say that I grew angry in a larger context, too. In the context, say, of a socio-economic system that prompts some people to beg for money instead of finding legitimate employment. Yeah. I’d like to say that, but I can’t. I was just mad at the guy for hitting me up for cash. As such, Jesus’s anger puts my anger to shame, and therein, perhaps, is the lesson. We hear much about Jesus’s radical love for us. And in his parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus tells us who our neighbor is. Radical for sure. So if I see red sweatshirt guy again, I may or may not open my wallet, but I at least hope to be a bit more neighborly. Besides, I still believe there are angels about.

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## SUNDAY MASSES

### February 18, 2024

#### St. Constance Church

TIME	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
4:00pm	Fr. A. Izyk	L. Antonik	J. Gordon A. Sanders
7:30am	Fr. S. Donahue	A. Sanders	A. McGeever Sr. Perpetua
9:00am	Fr. F. Florczyk	C. Kowalski P. Horwat	
10:30am	Fr. S. Donahue	K. Aklar P. Pomykalski	H. Nowak H. Odish
12:30pm	Fr. F. Florczyk	Polonia Klub	
7:00pm	TBD	M. Kazimierczak A. Zalewski	

#### St. Robert Bellarmine Church

TIME	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
5:15pm	Fr. R. Lojek	David Nowak	Kathleen Fergus Deacon Bill Frere Edward Stecker
9:00am	Fr. R. Lojek	Marilyn Skowron	Paul Eifert Trina Eifert Kathy Ernst
12:00pm	Fr. R. Lojek	Charles Bell	Erin Bastian Mary Ann Glowacz Patrick Mullane

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

### TEXT-TO-GIVE OPTION NOW AVAILABLE

Hundreds of Mary Undoer of Knots parishioners are making secure donations weekly using the "Give Central" website at [www.givecentral.org/location/147](http://www.givecentral.org/location/147).

You can now text-to-give by texting the word "Sunday" from a smartphone to 847-243-6058. This provides a link directly to the Sunday offerings page in GiveCentral.

We ask that you prayerfully consider maintaining or even increasing your weekly donation level during these times. Your stewardship of Mary Undoer of Knots parish is greatly appreciated.

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## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

# JANUARY 28, 2024

## Sunday - \$13,282.00

## Give Central - \$2,251.00

## Total - \$15,533.00

## Latin America - \$3,556.20

*Thank you for Your Generosity!*  
*Bóg zapłać za Waszą hojność!*

### 2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUESTS

2023 Contribution Statements are prepared by request only for any registered parishioner.

Please call the Rectory Office at St. Robert Bellarmine at **773-777-2666** or St. Constance at **773-545-8581, ext. 0** with your name, address and envelope number.

The statement can either be picked up at the office, emailed or mailed to your home address.

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Oświadczenia o ofiarach złożonych w 2023 są przygotowywane wyłącznie na prośbę każdego zarejestrowanego parafianina.

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