

Mary, Undoer of Knots Parish

January 12, 2025



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The Holy Spirit descended upon him.
- Lk 3:21-22a

Chrzest Pański

12 stycznia 2025

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Mass Schedule/Rozkład Mszy św.

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:00am

SATURDAY 4:00pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)

SUNDAY 7:30am & 10:30am

PONIEDZIAŁEK - PIĄTEK 7:00pm

NIEDZIELA 9:00am 12:30pm 7:00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE/SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTA

TUESDAYS/ WTORKI: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Mass Schedule

MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:30am

SATURDAY 5:15pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)

SUNDAY 9:00am and 12:00 noon

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

SATURDAYS: 4:30pm - 5:00pm

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MASS INTENTIONS - St. Constance

Monday, January 13

8:00am Eng
7:00pm Pol

Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Steve Gryka for God's blessings
Intencje Specjalne

Tuesday, January 14

8:00am Eng
7:00pm Pol

† Adam Rut
Intencje Specjalne

Wednesday, January 15

8:00am Eng
7:00pm Pol

Cynthia Mallo with family
Intencje Specjalne

Thursday, January 16

8:00am Eng
7:00pm Pol

Sister Perpetua Birthday Blessings
† Rev. Martin Borowczyk
Intencje Specjalne

Friday, January 17

8:00am Eng
7:00pm Pol

Saint Anthony, Abbot

† Francis Cardinal George
Intencje Specjalne

Saturday, January 18

8:00am Eng
4:00pm Eng

† Helen Tokarski
† Christine Majka
† Regina Danek
Nabożeństwo Straży Honorowej

6:00pm Pol

Sunday, January 19

7:30am Eng
9:00am Pol

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

† Rita Alexander
Grazyna z Rodziną
† Christine Majka
† Jack Majka
† Teresa Zajac
† Maria Wojnicka
† Ewa Kochańska
† Wacława Milewski-Cichoń
† Józef Burzec
† Bogdan Kędzior
† Teresa Szymańska
† Józef Zegar
† Krystyna & Bronisaw Gruszka
† Zofia i Augustyn Czarny
† Maria Mikowski
† Włodzimierz Fołatko
† Tony Sidor
† James Cudal
Lucyna Jurkowska z Rodziną
Stanisław Abratanski z Rodziną
† Stefania Tomasik
† Ludwika Kryszalowicz
† Zofia Ziomek
† Paweł, Michał, Grażyna Bizunowicz
† Krystyna & Bronisław Gruszka
† Zofia i Augustyn Czarny
† Maria Mikowski
Parafianie i Dobrodzieje
O Boże błogosławieństwo dla
Wolontariuszy pomagających w
naszej Parafii

10:30am Eng

12:30m Pol

7:00pm Pol

DEAR PARISHIONERS,

If you want the intention of the Holy Mass published in the bulletin, please order it at the parish office 4 weeks in advance.

DRODZY PARAFIANIE,

Jeśli pragniecie, aby intencja Mszy Św. ukazała się w biuletynie, należy ją zgłosić do biura 4 tygodnie wcześniej.

BANNS/ZAPOWIEDZI



II Pawel Kielbasa & Anna Fraczek

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

ZENAIDA BENDICION ZINK

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.



Święty Hieronim powiedział: „*Nieznajomość Pisma Świętego jest nieznajomością Chrystusa*”

- prawie w każdym domu znajduje się Biblia.

Zapewne jest umieszczana w różnych miejscach: na półce, wciśnięta pomiędzy książki albo gdzieś w szufladzie pomiędzy papierami, a czasem na biurku lub „pod ręką” na stoliku. Wszystkich którzy pragną rozważyć słowo Boże i przygotować się do niedzielnej Liturgii Słowa zapraszamy na

**SPOTKANIE FORMACYJNE
16 STYCZNIA po Mszy św. o 7pm**

w kościele św. Konstancji.

Więcej informacji u Ks. Dawida Więcka.

BIBLE STUDY IN POLISH



MASS INTENTIONS - St Robert

Monday, January 13 **Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

8:30 am † Betty Kroll

Tuesday, January 14

8:30am † Ellie Rest

Wednesday, January 15

8:30am † Zofia Zawalski

Thursday, January 16

8:30 am Deceased Members of the Niemiec Family
 † Antanas Aknys
 † Mirko Kornic
 † Alex Penyich

Friday, January 17 **Saint Anthony, Abbot**

8:30 am

Saturday, January 18

8:30 am

5:15 pm † Achu Mathew (Anniv)
 † John & Wanda Placek
 The Ukrainian People

Sunday, January 19 **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am † Clementine Niemiec

12:00 pm James & Theresa Crane,
 40th wedding anniversary
 † Finoy Lukose
 † Ermilo Garza



PRAY FOR OUR SICK MÓDLMY SIĘ ZA OSOBY CHORE

Maria Antosz	Ralph Kudsk
Jeffrey Arthur	Starlight Lim
Elaine Beatovic	Veronica Lisowski
Barbara Broecker	David Loch
Linda Christensen	Eamon McCaffrey
Teresita De Guzman	Helen Mittelbrun
Ellie Denz	Patrick Mullane
Sylvia Doyle	Dorota Nowak
Jerzy Dudek	Jaime Ortega
Ginger Frere	Joel Pasowicz
Janina Gawel	Kimberly Piccin
Constance Grodecki	Janina Piotrowski
Zenon Grodecki	Arlene Placek
Josefina Hernandez	Lorraine Placek
Ray Hoffelt	Reike Plecas
Robert Hogan	Franciszka Purchla
Ray Hohmeier	Dolores Purtell
Maria Lourdes Jose	Timmy Reilly
Michael James	Laura Ryan
Maria Johnson	Joel Stefka
Judy Kaner	Sr. Mary Lou Stoffel
Donald Keegan	Wilson Torres
Barbara Kilton	Joann Trentadue
Jan Kozan	James Van Vliet
Kazimierz Koziol	

... 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 dzwonic do biura parafialnego w celu uaktualnienia Listy Chorych w naszym biuletynie.

ADORATION SCHEDULE

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH EVERY THURSDAY

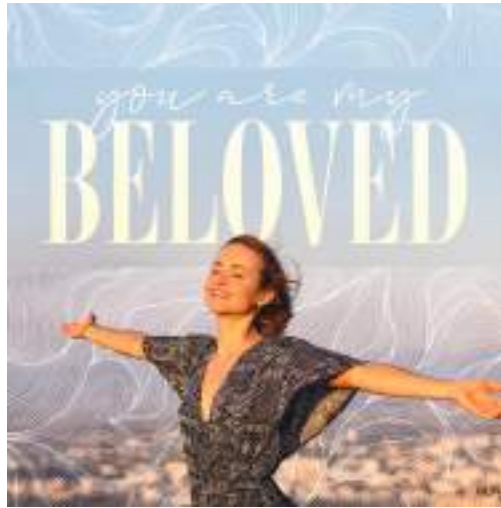
8:00am - Rosary
8:30am - Holy Mass
9:00am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12:30pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
1:00pm - Benediction



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)

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)



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE January 12, 2025 - The Baptism of the Lord

In my second year of theology studies, I went to confession to a priest visiting the seminary for a three-day retreat. My heart wasn't in it. I was going through the motions. I confessed my sins and waited for his response. The priest said, "For your penance, I'd like you to go into the chapel and repeat the words '**You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased**' (Luke 3:22) until they mean something to you." Easy penance, I thought.

But to my surprise, I struggled to say those words. I sensed a strong interior resistance blocking them. How could God be well-pleased with me? He couldn't be, I thought. A battle within me ensued. Two hours later, the resistance vanished, and I found myself able to speak, and claim as my own, those marvelous words. I emerged from the chapel with a new, deep, peaceful conviction that I was indeed God's beloved son.

Those words are a precious gift from heaven to all of us. Jesus' baptism, which we celebrate this week, offers them to us. Are we willing to receive these words anew? Many things can block this deepening of our baptismal identity: failings, sins, disappointments, traumas, problems, and so on. Yet God's love is always greater. This week I challenge you to prayerfully repeat these words over yourself — or perhaps over someone you're struggling to love — until those words find a home in your heart.

— *Father John Muir*

MEDYTACJA EWANGELII - ZACHĘTA DO GŁĘBSZEGO ZROZUMIENIA PISMA ŚWIĘTEGO 12 stycznia 2025 - Chrztost Pański

Na drugim roku studiów teologicznych poszedłem do spowiedzi do księdza, który przyjechał do seminarium na trzydniowe rekolekcje. Nie wkładałem w to serca. Przechodziłem przez kolejne etapy. Wyznałem swoje grzechy i czekałem na odpowiedź. Ksiądz powiedział: „Jako pokutę chciałbym, abyś poszedł do kaplicy i powtarzał słowa: »**Tyś jest mój Syn umiłowany, w Tobie mam upodobanie**« (Łk 3:22), aż nabiorą dla ciebie znaczenia”. Łatwa pokuta, pomyślałem.

Ale ku mojemu zaskoczeniu, z trudem wypowiedziałem te słowa. Wyczułem silny wewnętrzny opór, który je blokował. Jak Bóg mógłby być ze mnie zadowolony? Nie mógłby być, pomyślałem. Rozgorzała we mnie walka. Dwie godziny później opór zniknął, a ja byłem w stanie wypowiedzieć te cudowne słowa i uznać je za swoje. Wyszedłem z kaplicy z nowym, głębokim, spokojnym przekonaniem, że rzeczywiście jestem umiłowanym synem Boga.

Te słowa są cennym darem z nieba dla nas wszystkich. Chrztost Jezusa, który obchodzimy w tym tygodniu, oferuje je nam. Czy jesteśmy gotowi przyjąć te słowa na nowo? Wiele rzeczy może blokować to pogłębienie naszej chrzcielnej tożsamości: upadki, grzechy, rozczarowania, traumy, problemy itd. Jednak Boża miłość jest zawsze większa. W tym tygodniu zachęcam cię, byś z modlitwą powtarzał te słowa nad sobą - a może nad kimś, kogo trudno ci kochać - dopóki nie znajdą one miejsca w twoim sercu.

— *Ksiądz John Muir*

POPE FRANCIS NAMES FIVE NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

The episcopal ordination of the bishops-elect will take place at Holy Name Cathedral early in 2025. On December 20, the Vatican announced that Pope Francis has appointed five new auxiliary bishops for the Archdiocese of Chicago: Bishops-elect Timothy J. O'Malley, Lawrence J. Sullivan, José María García-Maldonado, Robert M. Fedek, and John S. Siemianowski. The episcopal ordination of the bishops-elect will take place at Holy Name Cathedral in early 2025 at a date to be announced. The bishops-elect will remain in their present assignments for the time being. Changes in their archdiocesan roles are announced in due course. "We are grateful to the Holy Father for the gift of these new auxiliary bishops," said Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, archbishop of Chicago. "These fine archdiocesan priests reflect the people of this particular church and the many talents of our local presbyterate. Yet, each has a solid and notable record of pastoral service rooted in their shared fidelity to the Gospel and their generosity in using their unique gifts for the good of the church and society."



Bishop-elect Timothy J. O'Malley, named titular bishop of Numida, was born Dec. 17, 1959 in Evergreen Park and was ordained to priesthood in 1997. Bishop-elect O'Malley served as associate pastor at St. Agnes of Bohemia Parish in Chicago from 1997 to 2002 and then as pastor of St. James Parish, Highwood until 2007. He was pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Round Lake from 2007 to 2015 and St. Genevieve Parish from 2015 to 2018, in Chicago. In 2018, he was named pastor of Most Blessed Trinity Parish in Waukegan where he currently serves.



Bishop-elect Lawrence J. Sullivan, named titular bishop of Lamfua, was born Jan. 22, 1966 in Chicago. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1992. Bishop-elect Sullivan served as associate pastor, and later pastor of St. Celestine Parish in Elmwood Park. He was named pastor of St. Christina Parish in 2008 and of Christ the King Parish in 2014, both in Chicago. In addition to his parish assignments, Bishop-elect Sullivan has worked in the bereavement ministries of the archdiocese since 2013 as associate priest director and as interim priest director of Catholic Cemeteries.



Bishop-elect José María García-Maldonado, appointed titular bishop of Fallaba, was born March 24, 1979, in San Julián, Jalisco, Mexico. He was ordained to the priesthood in 2008 and was named associate pastor of St. Sylvester Parish in Chicago. Bishop-elect José María García-Maldonado served as associate pastor of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Des Plaines and then as administrator and pastor of Good Shepherd Parish in Chicago. In 2021, he was named pastor of St. Jose Sanchez del Rio Parish, Chicago where he continues to serve.

Bishop-elect Robert M. Fedek, was born July 7, 1979 in Bielsko-Biala, Poland. In 2001, he was admitted to the Bishop Abramowicz Preparatory Seminary in Chicago and then attended the University of Saint Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary, and was ordained to priesthood in 2005. Bishop-elect Fedek served as associate pastor of Saint Mary of the Annunciation Parish in Mundelein from 2005 to 2010. He was pastor of Our Lady of Victory Parish from 2010 to 2017 and of Immaculate Conception Parish (Talcott) both in Chicago from 2017 to 2020. In 2020, Bishop-elect Fedek was appointed administrative secretary to Cardinal Cupich.



Bishop-elect John S. Siemianowski, was born in Chicago on May 26. In 1984, he entered the University of St. Mary of the Lake Mundelein Seminary and was ordained to the priesthood later that year in 1997. Bishop-elect Siemianowski served as associate pastor at St. Francis de Sales Parish, Lake Zurich, St. Mary Parish, Buffalo Grove and St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Orland Hills. He served as pastor at St. Agnes, St. Paul, and St. Kieran Parish, in Chicago Heights and in 2021, he was named pastor at St. Juliana Parish in Chicago where he continues to serve.



***Congratulations to all newly elect Bishops!
(Chicago Catholic)***

Papież Franciszek mianował pięciu nowych biskupów pomocniczych dla Archidiecezji Chicago

Święcenia biskupie biskupów elektów odbędą się na początku 2025 roku w katedrze Świętego Imienia



NABOŻEŃSTWO STRAŻY HONOROWEJ NAJŚWIĘTSZEGO SERCA PANA JEZUSA I NIEPOKALANEGO SERCA MARYI ODBĘDZIE SIĘ 18 STYCZNIA O GODZ 6:00 PM 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—January 18, at 6pm)



CHILDREN OF ST. JOSEPH GROUP (CSJ)

REMEMBERS SAINT ANDRE BESSETTE

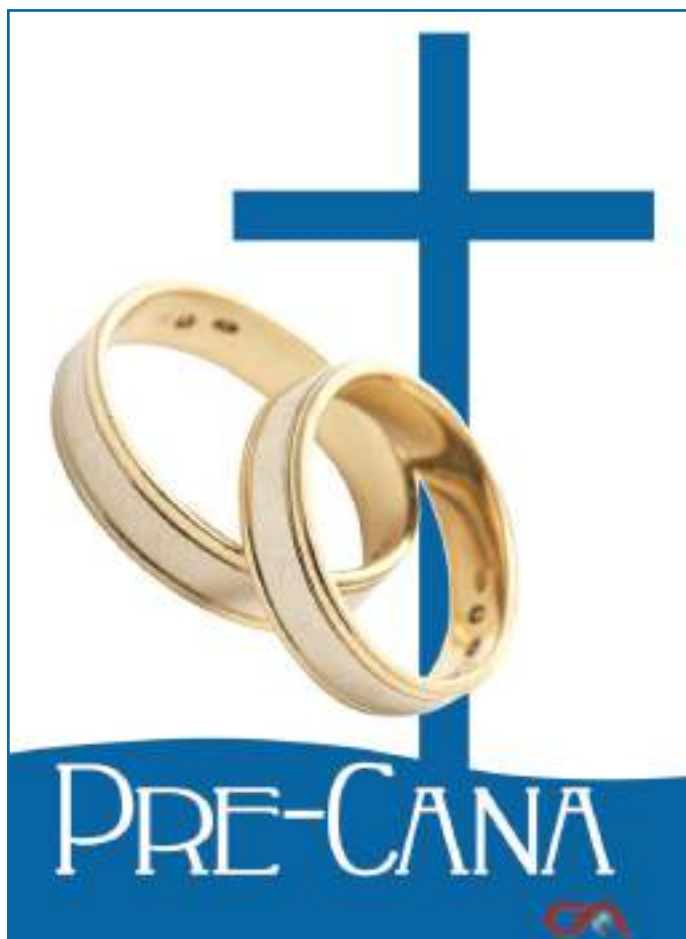
- Montreal Miracle Worker
- The little Saint who built the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal

When you invoke St. Joseph, you don't have to invoke much. You know your Father in heaven knows what you need; Well, so does His friend St. Joseph."

Next meeting will be held on THURSDAY JAN 16, 2025 AT 7:00 PM IN BOROWCZYK HALL OF ST. CONSTANCE CHURCH

Followers of St. Joseph and fellow parishioners are all invited to come.

COMIESIĘCZNE SPOTKANIE MODLITEWNO-FORMACYJNE "DZIECI ŚW. JÓZEFA".



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POLISH PRE-CANA

**Kurs przedmałżeński
w kościele Św. Konstancji
rozpocznie się 16 lutego.**

**Rozpoczęcie mszą św.
o godz. 12:30 pm
do godziny 6-tej.**

W celu rejestracji i uzyskania szczegółowych informacji prosimy dzwonić do biura parafialnego:

773 545 8581

SAINTS OF THE WEEK- ŚWIĘCI TYGODNIA

ST. ANTHONY THE ABBOT | JANUARY 17

The life of Anthony will remind many people of Saint Francis of Assisi. At 20, Anthony was so moved by the Gospel message, “Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor” (Mark 10:21b), that he actually did just that with his large inheritance. He is different from Francis in that most of Anthony’s life was spent in solitude. He saw the world completely covered with snares, and gave the Church and the world the witness of solitary asceticism, great personal mortification and prayer. But no saint is antisocial, and Anthony drew many people to himself for spiritual healing and guidance.

At 54, he responded to many requests and founded a sort of monastery of scattered cells. Again, like Francis, he had great fear of “stately buildings and well-laden tables.”

At 60, he hoped to be a martyr in the renewed Roman persecution of 311, fearlessly exposing himself to danger while giving moral and material support to those in prison. At 88, he was fighting the Arian heresy, that massive trauma from which it took the Church centuries to recover. “The mule kicking over the altar” denied the divinity of Christ.

Anthony is associated in art with a T-shaped cross, a pig and a book. The pig and the cross are symbols of his valiant

warfare with the devil—the cross his constant means of power over evil spirits, the pig a symbol of the devil himself. The book recalls his preference for “the book of nature” over the printed word. Anthony died in solitude at age 105.

Reflection: In an age that smiles at the notion of devils and angels, a person known for having power over evil spirits must at least make us pause. And in a day when people speak of life as a “rat race,” one who devotes a whole life to solitude and prayer points to an essential of the Christian life in all ages. Anthony’s hermit life reminds us of the absoluteness of our break with sin and the totality of our commitment to Christ. Even in God’s good world, there is another world whose false values constantly tempt us.

Saint Anthony is the Patron Saint of: Butchers, Gravediggers, Skin Diseases.

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ŚW. ANTONI OPAT | 17 STYCZNIA

Życie Antoniego przypomina wielu ludziom świętego Franciszka z Asyżu. W wieku 20 lat Antoni był tak poruszony przesłaniem Ewangelii: „Idź, sprzedaj, co masz, i rozdaj ubogim” (Mk 10:21b), że tak właśnie zrobił ze swoim dużym spadkiem. Różni się od Franciszka tym, że większość życia Antoni spędził w samotności. Widział świat całkowicie pokryty siłkami i dał Kościołowi i światu świadectwo samotnej ascezy, wielkiego osobistego umartwienia i modlitwy. Ale żaden święty nie jest aspołeczny, a Antoni przyciągał do siebie wielu ludzi w poszukiwaniu duchowego uzdrowienia i przewodnictwa.

W wieku 54 lat odpowiedział na wiele próśb i założył coś w rodzaju klasztoru z rozproszonymi celami. Podobnie jak Franciszek, bardzo bał się „okazałych budynków i suto zastawionych stołów”.

W wieku 60 lat miał nadzieję zostać męczennikiem podczas wznowionych rzymskich prześladowań w 311 r., nieustraszenie narażając się na niebezpieczeństwo i udzielając moralnego i materialnego wsparcia uwięzionym. W wieku 88 lat walczył z herezją ariańską, tą ogromną traumą, po której Kościół potrzebował stuleci, aby dojść do siebie. „Muł kopiący ołtarz” zaprzeczał boskości Chrystusa.

Antoni jest kojarzony w sztuce z krzyżem w kształcie litery T, świnia i księgą. Świnia i krzyż są symbolami jego dzielnej walki

z diabłem - krzyż jego stałym środkiem władzy nad złymi duchami, świnia symbolem samego diabła. Książka przypomina, że wołał „księgę natury” od słowa drukowanego. Anthony zmarł w samotności w wieku 105 lat.

Refleksja: W czasach, w których uśmiechamy się na myśl o diablach i aniołach, osoba znana z posiadania władzy nad złymi duchami musi przynajmniej sprawić, że się zatrzymamy. A w czasach, gdy ludzie mówią o życiu jako o „wyścigu szczurów”, ktoś, kto poświęca całe życie samotności i modlitwie, wskazuje na istotę życia chrześcijańskiego we wszystkich wiekach. Pustelnicze życie Antoniego przypomina nam o absolutnym zerwaniu z grzechem i całkowitym oddaniu się Chrystusowi. Nawet w dobrym Bożym świecie istnieje inny świat, którego fałszywe wartości nieustannie nas kuszą.

Święty Antoni jest patronem: rzeźników, grabarzy, chorób skóry.

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ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS PLEASE JOIN US AT THE MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS HOLY NAME SOCIETY'S COFFEE and PASTRY GATHERING!!

Saint Robert Bellarmine Campus – Lower Church Hall (Kernaghan Hall):

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025, 8:30 AM TO 2:00 PM.



IT'S FREE!!

Please stop in – “golly g its only 2 blocks from St. Constance Church” - and enjoy a steaming hot cup of coffee (regular or decaf) and a pastry(s) - including homemade scones, cake, etcetera! (Juice available for the kids.) We look forward to serving you. (P.S. There is an elevator!) P.S.S. Really.... it's free!

*THE MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS HOLY NAME SOCIETY
SERVES FELLOWSHIP AND JOY IN CHRIST!*

STOWARZYSZENIA ŚWIĘTEGO IMIENIA ZAPRASZA NA KAWĘ I CIASTO **Z DARMO!!**

**Klub Polonia przy Kościele
Świętej Konstancji**

**zaprasza na uroczysty lunch
z okazji Świąt Bożego Narodzenia**

zwany „OPŁATEK”

19 STYCZNIA 2025 ROKU

W SALI PARAFIALNEJ KS. M. BOROWCZYKA

**Spotkanie rozpocznie się uroczystą Mszą Świętą o godzinie 12:30
po południu w intencji żyjących oraz zmarłych członków Klubu.**

Po Mszy Św. uroczysty lunch oraz śpiewanie kolęd.

CENA \$35.00 OD OSOBY

Po więcej informacji proszę dzwonić 1(773) 612-6074 lub 1(773) 545-8581

Prezes Klubu Kazimierz Milewski wraz z Zarządem Polonia Club Meeting

POLONIA CLUB INVITES YOU TO A FESTIVE LUNCH CALLED “OPŁATEK”





Jubilee 2025 set to kick off in Rome and locally

On Christmas Eve, Pope Francis opened the holy door at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and mark the official start of Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope. Five days later, on Dec. 29, Cardinal Cupich celebrated a Mass at Holy Name Cathedral kicking off the jubilee celebration locally.

In January 2021, as the world struggled to return to some kind of normalcy after the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis announced that he had chosen "Pilgrims of Hope" as the theme for the Holy Year.

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given to us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and farsighted vision," the pope wrote in a letter entrusting the organization of the jubilee to Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the then-Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization.

The pope prayed that the Holy Year would be marked by "deep faith, lively hope and active charity."

A holy year or jubilee is a time of pilgrimage, prayer, repentance and acts of mercy, based on the Old Testament tradition of a jubilee year of rest, forgiveness and renewal. Holy years also are a time when Catholics make pilgrimages to designated churches and shrines, recite special prayers, go to confession and receive Communion to receive a plenary indulgence, which is a remission of the temporal punishment due for one's sins.

Unlike in previous jubilee years, the only holy doors that will be open will be in Rome: St. Peter's Basilica, St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls.

However, for people who cannot travel to Italy on pilgrimage, the archdiocese has established 24 pilgrimage sites at local parishes in each vicariate. By fulfilling the usual requirements, the faithful can obtain a plenary indulgence by visiting the sites.

To prepare and engage in the holy year, Todd Williamson, director of the archdiocese's Office for Divine Worship, recommends reading "Spes Non Confundit," the bull of indication for the jubilee year.

"Pope Francis does set out what his intent is," Williamson said. "And in the midst of everything that is going on in the world right now, to reinvest in the Christian virtue of hope through their own prayer, through participating in the pilgrimage sites, by following the Holy Father during the year for his writings and his homilies, he will touch on that."

In addition to individual acts of charity, love and kindness such as feeding the hungry, welcoming the stranger or visiting the sick and the imprisoned, Pope Francis has continued his predecessors' practice of observing the jubilee by calling on governments to reduce the foreign debt of the poorest countries, grant amnesty to certain prisoners and strengthen programs to help migrants and refugees settle in their new homes.

To view the multilingual jubilee website for the Vatican, visit iubilaeum2025.va.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops also has a special section on its website with information about traveling to Rome for the Holy Year and for celebrating the special jubilees in one's own diocese or parish. Visit usccb.org/committees/jubilee-2025.

For local updates, visit pvm.archchicago.org/jubilee-2025.

ROK JUBILEUSZOWY 2025

FAMILY MASS – JANUARY 26, 2025 - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



We invite all children and their parents to celebrate our monthly Family Mass on
THERE IS NO FAMILY MASS ON JANUARY 19

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH AT 9AM

ST. CONSTANCE CHURCH AT 10:30 AM

Following Mass please join us for reception in the Borowczyk Hall. All are welcome!

MSZA RODZINNA - TYDZIEŃ SZKÓŁ KATOLICKICH



A MEETING FOR CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION (Grade 8)

We would like to inform you that the meeting for Students who will receive Confirmation this school year (2025) will take place **on January 28th (Tuesday), NOT on January 14, 2025 at 7:00pm**

in Kernaghan Hall (St. Robert Campus). The presence of students is obligatory.

For more information, please call S. Anna Strycharz on cell: (773) 934 7593.

SPOTKANIE DLA KANDYDATÓW DO BIERZMOWANIA

FIRST COMMUNION PARENT'S MEETING - ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH



We would like to inform you that the Parent's meeting of children who will receive First Holy Communion this school year will take place on

January 14, 2025 (Tuesday) in the Kernaghan Hall at 7:00pm.

For more information, please call Sr. Anna Strycharz on (773) 934 7593

SPOTKANIE RODZICÓW Z OKAZJI PIERWSZEJ KOMUNII ŚWIĘTEJ

THANK YOU - PODZIĘKOWANIE



The youth going to the Youth Jubilee in Rome would like to thank Pastor Robert Łojek and everyone for their help in preparing, selling and buying decorations, hay and Christmas ornaments.

The income was \$1,640.00. God bless you. Thanks to you, dear ones, our trip will be possible. We are also planning to sell cakes before Valentine's Day, doughnuts before Lent and handmade palms for Palm Sunday. We will keep you updated. If anyone would like to support our pilgrimage individually, please contact Sister Anna Strycharz (tel. 773-934-7593).

We promise to pray for your intentions during the Jubilee in Rome.



Młodzież udająca się na Jubileusz Młodych do Rzymu dziękuje ks. Proboszczowi Robertowi Łojkowi oraz wszystkim za pomoc w przygotowaniu, sprzedaży oraz zakupu stroików, sianka i ozdób świątecznych. **Dochód wyniósł \$1,640.00. Bóg zapłać.** Dzięki Wam kochani nasz wyjazd będzie możliwy. W planie mamy jeszcze sprzedaż ciast przed Walentynkami, pączków przed Wielkim Postem oraz palm ręcznie robionych na Niedzielę Palmową. Będziemy informować Was na bieżąco. Jeżeli ktoś chciałby indywidualnie

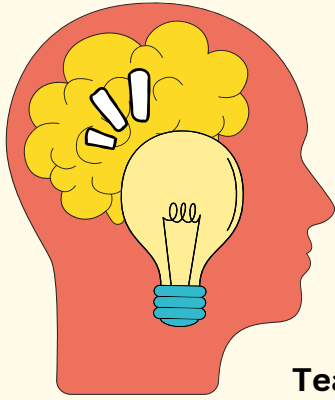
wesprzeć naszą pielgrzymkę prosimy o kontakt z s. Anną Strycharz (tel. 773-934-7593). Obiecujemy modlić w waszych intencjach podczas Jubileuszu w Rzymie.



SRB Sports Association Presents:

TRIVIA NIGHT

CASH PRIZES!!!



ADMISSION
\$25 per person

BYO Beverages and Food

50/50 Raffle

Teams of 2-6 people

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH

Doors Open: 6pm - Trivia: 7pm
St. Robert's Kernaghan Hall

St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic School
Nurturing hearts, minds, and spirit since 1911.



St Robert Bellarmine School Families, Friends, and Supporters:

Mark your calendars for this not-to-be-missed event,
our major fundraiser for the year.

Tickets on sale starting in January!

SAVE *the* DATE

BRUIN BASH

MARCH 1
2025
6-11pm

ST. ROBERT
BELLARMINE
6036 W. Eastwood



SUNDAY, JAN. 26, 2025
10-11:30AM

Enrollment for our 2025-26 school year
starts here!



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Please consider supporting schools where the need is greatest. Every dollar you give helps ensure that Catholic education's values and teachings reach those who will benefit from them most.

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Piano Recital

Dennis J. P. Costanzo, Pianist

Sunday, January 26, 2025 at 2:30 P.M.

Free Admission

Mary, Undoer of Knots Parish,
St Robert Bellarmine Church

4646 N. Austin Ave.
Chicago, IL



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With an outright gift of appreciated securities or mutual funds, you can reduce or even eliminate federal capital gains taxes on the transfer. You may also be entitled to a federal income tax charitable deduction based on the fair market value of the securities at the time of the transfer. For more information about donating stock or securities to **Mary Undoer of Knots Parish**, please contact your financial advisor.

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PROSIMY, PAMIĘTAJCIĘ O NASZYCH KSIĘŻACH

Kapłani oddali swoje życie posłudze na rzecz dzieci Bożych, służąc naszym potrzebom jako katolikom, nie prosząc o nic w zamian. Teraz nadeszła kolej na nas, aby okazać miłość i troskę jako znak wdzięczności za ich wierne wsparcie. Prosimy o rozważenie włączenia daru na rzecz opieki medycznej i planu emerytalnego księży, aby wesprzeć koszty opieki zdrowotnej naszych aktywnych księży, a także koszty opieki zdrowotnej i mieszkaniowej naszych emerytowanych księży.

Aby uzyskać więcej informacji, zadzwoń **do biura ds. opieki zdrowotnej i emerytur kapłanów pod numer 708.449.8026**. Jeśli chcesz przekazać dar, odwiedź prmaa.org.

THANK YOU/PODZIĘKOWANIE - GIVING TREE/DRZEWKO DOBROCI

We would like to thank you for donating to the following organizations:

The Families Next Door – certificates - Thank You.

Adopt a student - \$515. Thank You.

St. Joseph Home - Thank you for all the gifts.

Home for Single Mothers Thank you for all the gifts.

Program” Rachel” Thank you for all the gifts.

Mission OLA and Christmas 2024! Thank you for all the gifts.

Missionaries of the Poor in India. \$520

Mercy Home for Boys & Girls – donations \$430. Thank You.

Children’s and Youth Ministry - \$875. Thank You

The Medicine for the sick parishioner - \$200 and a few bottles of this medicine.

All recipients are very grateful for the help they received.



Serdecznie dziękujemy za przekazanie donacji na poniższe organizacje:

Rodziny mieszkające obok nas – dziękują za certyfikaty

Zaadoptuj Ucznia- Program Religijny dziękuje za pomoc w opłacie religii uczniom w trudnej sytuacji materialnej. Zebraliśmy \$515.

Dom Św. Józefa – dziękujemy za piękne rzeczy.

Dom Samotnej Matki – dziękujemy za rzeczy i donacje pieniężne.

Program” Rachel” - dziękujemy za rzeczy i donacje pieniężne..

Misja OLA i Święta 2024! Dziękujemy za rzeczy i donacje pieniężne.

Misjonarze Ubogich z Indii - \$520

Dom opieki dla dzieci – donacje \$430 – dziękujemy

Duszpasterstwo Dzieci i Młodzieży - \$875

Lekarstwa dla chorego parafianina -\$ 200 i kilka butelek leku.

Wszyscy obdarowani są bardzo wdzięczni za otrzymaną pomoc.

Catholic Charities' fund helps cover funeral expenses for those in need!

It was in 2020, near the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, when an anonymous donor gave \$2 million to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago to help people who could not afford to pay for funeral, burial or cremation services for their loved ones. Four years later, Catholic Charities has provided \$5.9 million to nearly 2,000 families, according to Ashley Styx, senior program director for Catholic Charities' Resource Hub. The burial fund still relies entirely on private donations.

Families who have received help include everyone from the newly single parent, who was facing the choice of paying rent or paying a funeral home to cremate the remains of her deceased partner, to an 85-year-old man who could not afford to pay for a funeral for his wife of more than 50 years. The widower was so grateful for the help from Catholic Charities that he baked a loaf of bread and brought it to the staff, said Nelly Guzman, director of case management for Catholic Charities Resource Hub.

"Sometimes people in that situation don't have a lot of people to talk to," Guzman said. "For that gentleman, we were able to do that."

"The need that we see in the community for this is just astronomical," Styx said, noting that there are few programs to help pay for funeral or burial costs. Programs that do exist usually are only for people who died from violence, not those who died from natural causes or accidents. "We aren't able to meet the need that is out there."

Catholic Charities now receives 200 to 300 calls a month about help paying for burials; at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, it received about 600 calls a month. But Catholic Charities has the money to help only 17 to 20 families each month. Families receive \$5,000, which is usually enough for a very basic burial or cremation service. "For a lot of families, it's a very unexpected expense," Styx said.

Families who call the Resource Hub, the call center that acts as a "front door" for people seeking services or other help, first get screened for financial eligibility; to qualify, a family of four would need to have an income of less than about \$33,000 a year. Then they are connected to a case manager, who has them fill out a one-page application.

From the first call to talking to a case manager should take less than three days, Styx said, and case managers will communicate with funeral directors to let them know that the money is on the way. At the same time, case managers will work with families to find out if they need other services, such as grief counseling, which is provided through Catholic Charities' behavioral health program. That's something Resource Hub case managers do for every client, Styx said, whether they are calling to ask about the burial fund or something else.

"They are coming to us in a state of crisis, most likely about something that they cannot provide for their families themselves," she said. "But that's usually not the only thing that family is going through. So our case managers listen with empathy and try to build that relationship."

While the burial fund has existed for a few years, it's not as well-known as some of Catholic Charities other resources. Styx said most people hear about it through word of mouth, especially among funeral directors.

To donate or to seek help from Catholic Charities, call 312-655-7000 or visit catholiccharities.net.

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Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm (lunch from 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Saturday, Sunday - closed

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(lunch from 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

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SUNDAY MASSES

January 19, 2025

St. Constance Church

TIME	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
4:00pm	Fr. R. Lojek	A. Sanders	N. Guagliardo J. Gordon
7:30am	Fr. S. Donahue	C. Schiltz	L. Adamus A. Sanders
9:00am	Fr. R. Lojek	P. Horwat K. Olszewska	Siostry Misjonarki Chrystusa Króla
10:30am	Fr. S. Donahue	C. Manno J. Baloun	C. Michelini F. D'Anna
12:30pm	Fr. R. Lojek	Klub Polonia	Siostry Misjonarki Chrystusa Króla
7:00pm	Fr. R. Lojek	A. Zalewski J. Adamska	Siostry Misjonarki Chrystusa Króla

St. Robert Bellarmine Church

TIME	CELEBRANTS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
5:15pm	Fr. F. Florczyk	Pat Zyburt	Walter Felckowski Kathleen Fergus Jim Ryan
9:00am	Fr. F. Florczyk	Marilyn Skowron	Paul Eifert Trina Eifert Kathy Ernst
12:00pm	Fr. F. Florczyk	Rich Madro	Deacon Assigned Erin Bastian Mary Ann Glowacz

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

DECEMBER 29, 2024

Sunday – \$13,765.00

Give Central – \$2,151.00

St. Anthony - \$359.08

Additional Donations – \$3,612.92

(vigil lights, stole & mass stipends, IRA donations, etc.)

Total – \$19,888.00

Thank you for Your Generosity!

Bóg zapłać za Waszą hojność!

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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.

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.

DONACJA ELEKTRONICZNA

PRZESŁANIA DONACJI SMSEM JEST JUŻ DOSTĘPNA

Setki parafian Parafii Maryi Rozwiązującej Węzły co tydzień przekazują bezpieczne datki za pośrednictwem strony internetowej „Give Central” pod adresem www.givecentral.org/location/147.

Możesz teraz wysłać SMS-a o treści „Sunday” ze smartfona na numer 847-243-6058. Zapewnia to link bezpośrednio do strony ofert niedzielnych w GiveCentral.

Prosimy, abyście w modlitwie rozważyli utrzymanie lub nawet zwiększenie poziomu cotygodniowych datków w tych okresach. Wasza opieka nad parafią Maryi Rozwiązującej Węzły jest bardzo doceniana.

You can also scan the QR code provided here.

Możesz także zeskanować Kod QR podany tutaj.



SPOTKANIE

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W KONWENCIE SIÓSTR

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Więcej informacji u s. Anny Strycharz -
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BIBLE MEETING IN POLISH

“WOMEN IN THE BIBLE”

2ND COLLECTION FOR 1/19

ENERGY FUND

2-GA SKŁADKA NA 1/19

FUNDUSZ NA PRĄD