

**ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL PARISH  
NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

9201 West Higgins Road  
Chicago, IL 60631

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*Catholic In Faith  
A People Empowered*

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September 23, 2018

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***WELCOME***

*We're blessed because you're here*



Polish National Union of America

*Spójnia Sunday*

# **WELCOME**

## **TO OUR VISITORS**

*We're blessed because you're here!*

*All Saints Cathedral Parish is a community of the Polish National Catholic Church that welcomes and serves the spiritual needs of all people who wish to follow Christ in the Catholic tradition.*

Mass begins on the page of the Mass book in your pew as indicated in the music booklet in your bulletin. Additional mass instructions, scripture readings, and music for congregational singing are included in the booklet inside our bulletin.



Those who have received their First Holy Communion and believe in the presence of Christ in the Eucharist are welcome to receive. Bread and wine are administered on the tongue. To receive bread only, please cross your arms across your chest.

As you leave after Mass, please introduce yourself to our clergy and sign our Guest Book in the vestibule.



We welcome you to join us after Mass for coffee and cake in the Fellowship Hall on the lower level (an elevator is available).

*We hope you return and join our parish community again in our celebration of God's presence among us.*

# Ordinary 25

September 23, 2018

## SPÓJNIA SUNDAY

9:00 am – Holy Mass

LECTOR: Lori Scott  
CANTOR:  
GREETER: Rudy and Cindi Smolka  
COUNTERS: TBD

Lessons Isaiah 50:4-9  
James 2:14-18  
GOSPEL Mark 8:27-35

- *Coffee hour shall be hosted by Branch 37 of the Polish National Union.*
- ***First class in our new SoCL Semester!***
- *Parish Youth Group meets following Holy Mass.*
- *Parent-Teacher Organization meets after SoCL*



## WEEKDAY MASSES, SERVICES, ACTIVITIES

**Monday, September 24 –**

- *Mass of the day, open intention, noon*

**Tuesday, September 25 –**

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**Wednesday, September 26 –**

- *Mass of healing for our parishioners and friends, noon*

**Thursday, September 27 –**

**Friday, September 28 –**

- *Mass of the day, open intention, noon*

**Saturday, September 29 –**

- *Feast of Saint Michael, Archangel*
- *A Special Word about our Observance of the Feastday of St Francis of Assisi and the Blessing of Animals this year:*

*We are asking that if you have a pet or not to stop by and add your prayers during the short service on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 10 am. Also, if you could bring along some items to donate: dry or canned pet food, cat litter, leashes, or other*

*items (no perishable food) you would like to donate.*



# Ordinary 25

September 30, 2018

9:00 am – Holy Mass

LECTOR: Christopher Bogzevitz  
CANTOR:  
GREETER: Gary Kurzynski  
COUNTERS: TBD

**Lessons** Numbers 11:25-29  
James 5:1-6  
**GOSPEL** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

- *Coffee hour shall be hosted.*
- *SoCL classes held*

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It has pleased our Lord to call our brother sp. Adolph Papish home to eternal life...

We offered prayers to escort the soul of our brother sp. Adolph to eternal life.

Following Holy Mass, the mortal remains of our brother were brought to the mausoleum and there reposed.

May eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.  
And let perpetual life shine upon him.  
May he rest in peace. Amen.



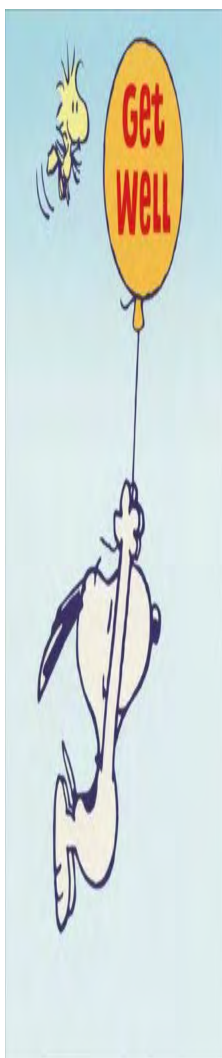
## PRAYER REQUESTS

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES** are extended to the following parishioners who are celebrating their birthdays this week:

Teri Heath

09/29

May God bless you and grant you all  
a very Happy Birthday!



**PARISHIONERS:** Bishop Stanley Bilinski, Mary Andersen, Jim Mueller, Charles Scott, Adeline Kozak, Cathy Milbrandt, Lorraine Fanslow, Robert Maycan, Joan Maluchnik, Gerald Maycan, Bernardine Mrozek, Cynthia Nytko, Don and Joan Pagels, Ben Fisher

**FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Rosemary Petrosky, Luz Reygosa, Emma Freshwater, David Petrosky, Carmen Cordero, Andrew Bear, John Miroslaw, Wayne Wright, Dan McWeeny, "Sonny" Collinet, Karen Ream, Vicky Bergstrom, Tina Tziolas, Ted Lipkowski, Jim Rubb, Donald Andrew, Allison Bartlet, Tammy Okrzesik, Jeff Jablowicz

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS:**

Dorothy Catinella, Harriet Jablonowski, Joseph Kosowski, Michael Kosowski, Dorothy Krzysko, Ted Bednarowicz

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR TROOPS DEFENDING FREEDOM** but especially for: Martin Venegas (USAF)



## PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Once again, we turn to the parish family and ask for assistance in the liturgical and parochial tasks we share as a community:

Altar Servers - this ministry is open to all who have made their First Holy Communion. If you would like to begin training for this ministry, please give your name to Bishop Stan.

Lectors - this ministry is open to all adult members of our parish, including those who have made their Confirmation. Additionally, if you would like to enter into this ministry, please give your name to Bishop Stan.

Women's Society for the Adoration of the most Blessed Sacrament. Parent-Teacher Organization, Parish Choir. SoCL Teachers and Substitutes - we are always looking for more of our parishioners to join these long-standing organizations.

*We thank the members thus organized for their ministry in the service of our Lord and to this parish. Please consider this invitation.*

### September Cemetery News

*Please note that no plastic arrangements should be placed for the rest of the grass/shrubbery growing season. (now until 11/1). October is Cemetery Clean-up Month. Please remove all pots during this time.*

*If there are any questions, please come to the office and review the Rules and Regulations for the Cemetery.*

*We would like to continue to have pride in the presentation of the final resting place of our dearly departed loved ones.*

*All those involved appreciate your consideration of this request.*



## PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Polish National Union of America is the only fraternal benefit society that is specifically organized to support the numerous Christian endeavors of the Polish National Catholic Church.*

*Without your support of Polish National Union of America insurance and annuity products, the Polish National Union of America's financial support of the Polish National Catholic Church would not be possible. The Polish National Union of America offers many competitive insurance products for any financial need or personal lifestyle. The ultimate goal of the Polish National Union of America is to have each and every Polish National Catholic Church member consider the Polish National Union of America first when purchasing life insurance or annuities.*

*A new program entitled the "Social Membership" is especially interesting to those trying to rebuild their credit, while being able to enjoy all the benefits of Spójnia membership.*

*If you would like to know more about how the Polish National Union of America and Polish National Catholic Church work together to touch lives, fill in the information request form you can find online @ [www.pnu.org](http://www.pnu.org) or call the Polish National Union of America at 1-800-724-6352. Polish National Union of America secretaries are members of our Cathedral Parish who would be happy to provide you with information on all of the products offered by the Union.*





# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cursory Histories of the Saints celebrated this week:

9/23 - Thecla of Iconium - Three-quarters of the way through the second century a priest in Asia composed an account of the amazing piety and exploits of a woman named Thecla, a follower of Saint Paul. The story tell us that Paul, "a small, bald-headed man, with a long nose, batting eyebrows, portly girth and bow legs" - was preaching in the house of Onesiphorus at Iconium and there greatly impressed a girl name Thecla who was about to be married. Paul's theme happened to be on the great virtues of celibacy, and Thecla was inspired to reject her fiance. He and the girl's parents did everything in their power to make her relent, but Thecla ran away to join Saint Paul. Her fiance now had completely turned against her. He accused Paul of braking up happy couples. He persuaded the magistrates to have Thecla flogged. Since she was no longer his, he determined that no one should have her, and obtained a sentence putting her to death by fire. The story continues happily, when a tremendous thunderstorm put out the fire and Thecla escaped. She was still a beautiful girl, and a leading citizen of Antioch named Alexander tried to carry her off against her will. She fought him off. After several more attempts to torment her and even put her to death, Thecla decided her best hope of a peaceful life was to dress as a young man. In this guide, she rejoined Paul, who judged her well able to preach the Gospel alongside him. As Paul journeyed elsewhere, Thecla retired and spent the remaining 72 years of her life in prayer and seclusion in a cave in Seleucia. The story of Saint Thecla is in fact a long paean of praise for the virtue of chastity, written in an age of great licentiousness.

9/24 - Pacificus of San Severino - Italian, died 1705.

9/25 - Sergius of Radonezh - Russian, died 1382.

9/26 - Cosmas and Damian - Cosmas and Damian were twins. Born in Arabia, both studied medicine as young men in Syria. They set up practice together at Aegeae in Cilicia. They were extremely proficient. But what marked them off from other doctors at that time was their refusal to charge any fee for their services. They believed that as Christians this was the best form of charity that they could practice. In consequence they are still known throughout Eastern Christendom as Saints Cosmas and Damian the moneyless. Unfortunately the Diocletian persecutions soon began. Lysias, governor of Cilicia, had no hesitation in arresting such distinguished Christians, in spite of their good works. The two men remained steadfast in the faith. Once they had healed the bodies of others; now their own bodies were broken. They were hanged on crosses and the mob threw stones at them. Archers fired arrows into their helpless torsos. Finally they were cut down, still alive, and beheaded. All this took place around 303. The corpses of the two doctors were taken to Syria, where they studied, and buried at Cyrrhus. In later ages

many notable sick persons, including the Emperor Justinian I himself, would dream of these two saints when ill, learning various medicines from these visions. After such a vision, Justinian rebuilt a church in their honor in the city of Constantinople. In these ways Cosmas and Damian were revered as patron saints of physicians.

9/27 - Vincent de Paul - French, died 1660.

9/28 - Eustochium - Saint Paula and her daughter Eustochium joined Saint Jerome at Antioch. Paula's fortune was added to what money Jerome, possessed to found a monastery near Bethlehem. Jerome love in a cave nearby, "to make sure (said Paula) that if Mary and Joseph came again to Bethlehem, there would be somewhere for them to stay." Three communities of women were founded close by Ssint Jerome's monastery, and Paula took charge of one of them. Eustochium took care of every material need, including the cooking. But Jerome relied on her for much more. He was busy translating the Bible into Latin. When his eyes began to fail, he would have been obliged to abandon the work, had not Eustochium and her mother been there to help him. He reckoned that they were better able to judge the value of his work than most men, and dedicate some of his writings to them. When Paula died in 404 Eustochium wished she could have been buried with her. But instead she took over the community abbey. She died in 419.

This day is also the feast day of Wenceslaus, the martyr-king of Bohemia, who died in 929.

9/29 - Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael - There are two passages in the New Testament where the archangel Michael engages in a great cosmic battle against the devil. In the book of Jude we read of Michael contending with the devil over the body of Moses, rebuking the evil one in God's name. The imagery reveals that with the triumph of Jesus evil no longer reigns throughout the cosmos, but remains on earth as the enemy of all who seek to follow God's will. The New Testament here takes over a figure from the Old - for in the Book of Daniel Michael is twice represented as the helper of God's chosen people. Gabriel too is an archangel who assists Daniel, this time in understanding his visions. And Gabriel has a special role in the New Testament. To Zechariah, the father of John the Baptist, he announces the future birth of this prophet. And his is the message to the Virgin Mary that in the power of the Holy Spirit she will bring forth the Savior. Raphael appears in the Books of Tobit and of Enoch as one of the seven archangels who stand in God's presence. Tobit represents him as hearing the prayers of godly men and bringing them before the Almighty. Enoch speaks of fallen angels defiling the earth, which is then healed by Raphael. Raphael is fact means "God heals". The meaning of Gabriel is "man of God." And Michael means "the one who resembles God." All three repeatedly appear in later Christian writings, with Michael usually envisaged as the leader of the heavenly host, and sometimes as the receiver of the souls of the departed, as in "Michael, row the boat ashore! Alleluia!" refers.

**Saints of God, pray for us!**

# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## *Future Direction Subcommittee of the Supreme Council Polish National Catholic Church*

September 1, 2018

Dear Bishops, Very Rev. and Rev. Fathers, Deacons  
and Faithful of our Holy Church,

Sharing Our Gifts at Home and in the Parish by Fr. Scott and Shelley Lill

“Now there are different gifts but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of work, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone.” ~1 Corinthians 12: 4-6



While St. Paul was speaking primarily of spiritual gifts in the passage above, the same can really be said about the unique and personal talents that God gives to each one of us. While every person has unique abilities with which the Lord has gifted him or her, they are all granted for a common purpose: to use them for everyone’s good. Sometimes we may be tempted to use our special gifts only for our own benefit, but we know that this would not be pleasing to the Lord who gave them to us. Instead, we are all called to selflessly apply these talents throughout all the areas of our everyday lives, and are reminded that when we do so, wonderful things happen.

First, we actively express our thanks to the One who so generously bestowed such gifts upon us. To use them selfishly or, perhaps worse, to neglect using them at all, would be very ungrateful. When we use them, we are thanking God for our own special talents.

Second, whenever we use our gifts and talents to help others we are actually serving as co-workers with God whose work of sustaining and renewing creation in Christ continues in a wonderful way through us. In this way, the Holy Spirit is active in the world and we are his instruments.

Finally, putting our special gifts into good use leads to our receiving the wonderful fruits of the Holy Spirit among which are “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control” (Galatians 5:22-23). Overall, whenever we generously use the special gifts that we have received from God, we are helping Him transform the still-fallen world, a little bit at a time, while we ourselves are also changed for the better. We become

more holy, which also means we become happier because we are more fully becoming the people He made us to be.

Before we can ever really use these gifts, however, we first need to discern them and then begin to hone them. All of this begins at home within the family. Parents should pray with their children, from a very early age, teaching them to continually ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to them their own unique abilities and how He wants them to use these talents. Many times, adults ask children, “what do you want to be when you grow up?” For us as Christians, however, the question should really be this: “what do you think God wants you to be when you grow up?” Prayerfully helping them begin recognizing their own giftedness and wondering why God may have given them such abilities is a first way by which parents help their children discern their lives’ vocations. This is really a life-long process that begins slowly in childhood, gradually flowers over time as children mature and develop within the family as each gift revealed by God at just the right moment in accord with his plan.

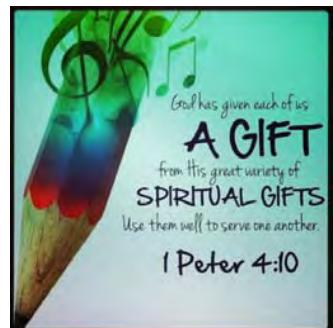
Once personal gifts are acknowledged, even if only partially at first, parents can lead their children in giving thanks to God for such talents and immediately start to encourage them to accept them with gratitude. This really means inspiring them to start using them. Parents can have creative conversations with their children to guide them—but not dictate to them—to some particular ways to use them within the home for the whole family’s benefit. This is a great way for children to not only recognize but start to polish their gifts and perfect their talents, while beginning to see the positive impact they can have in the lives of others and starting to experience the great joy that comes from this. Then, with a special contributing role initiated within the family, these unique skills can naturally be extended and put to good use in the life of the parish family. Here are just a few practical examples to demonstrate this:

In a family with a younger child who may exhibit a talent for singing and who really seems to enjoy it, the parents can help him or her realize this and then gently nudge them toward sharing it with everyone else, by giving them the honor of leading carols at the family’s Christmas Eve Wigilia. Over time, encouraged by the other family members’ recognition of their special talent and growing in their self-confidence, this gift can eventually be shared in the parish as a member of the youth or adult choirs or even as a cantor.

With a child who may be a bit older and who demonstrates an artistic ability, parents can help him or her recognize this and start to use it, perhaps by drawing pictures to cheer up members of the family who are ill. As the talent is honed and the child personally sees the benefits of sharing it, they can be asked to help make seasonal decorations for S.O.C.L. bulletin boards or crafting homemade cards for the parish’s shut-ins.

Should a family have a (pre)teenager who demonstrates a blossoming talent for leadership or emerging organizational skills, mom and dad can celebrate this as a gift from God and ask him or her to assist in getting younger siblings ready for school by organizing backpacks or packing lunches. As this ability matures, they could then assume officer roles in the parish’s youth association, help as S.O.C.L. assistants, or lend a much-needed hand in organizing the parish’s book cases or office space.

There are as many opportunities as there are children and gifts. As should be clear by now, however, the role of the parents is of paramount importance. Far be it from them



to ever discourage their children from using their special talents, parents are the first and enduring source of grateful self-confidence for their children. They are entrusted by God with the weighty and yet joyful duty of guiding them to clearly recognize, diligently develop and begin to use their unique abilities to His glory and for the benefit of others. While this starts at home and then naturally moves into the parish, their endeavors will eventually start to bear fruit throughout every aspect of their lives, as the Lord works with them and through them in ways previously unimagined.

The greatest and most important way that parents can fulfill this responsibility, though, is by setting a good example for their children. They themselves must constantly look for as-yet uncovered gifts that God has bestowed upon them, never being afraid to learn something new or to practice unmastered skills, and to share their own gifts with the family at home and in the parish family. While moms and dads could simply remind their children to pray for guidance in this every day, it's far better when the whole family prays together in this way. The whole family—parents and children—together all asking the Lord of Glory, the Giver of all good gifts, to show them all exactly how they should use their special talents serve Him and his people that day. As we continue our journey in this Polish National Catholic Year of the Family, this would be a great spiritual practice for each family to embrace. It would engender within us all a deeper, more humble gratitude to the Lord for the abundant talents with which we are all uniquely graced, and remind us that we are all commissioned to use these gifts to praise their Giver by generously serving his people everywhere.

The Synod of our Holy Church is two weeks away – let us pray for this Holy Gathering.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, Grant us Your grace and blessing, as we prepare to gather together in Holy Synod to seek the Lord Jesus through Your Holy Church. Send Your Holy Spirit upon our Holy Church, that we may be guided by Your Holy Will. Strengthen our bishops, clergy and laity who will gather so that their decisions at Holy Synod may help lead others to Your Son Jesus Christ. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.



Please keep this church-wide undertaking in your daily prayers – asking God to bless this work and allow it to bear fruit for the building of His Kingdom through our Holy Church.

We are encouraging all our parishes to please keep in your prayers our upcoming Holy Synod now just one month away. In preparation for our Holy Synod we are asking for you to share with our committee pictures and testimonials from successes that you have experienced as you implemented the future direction over these past four years. Please email them to [FutureDirection@pncc.org](mailto:FutureDirection@pncc.org)

We hope you share the gifts God has given you for the good of your family, parish and our Holy Church. Have a blessed first month of fall.

*Sincerely yours in Christ,  
PNCC Supreme Council Future Direction Committee*

## **PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**To offer a few extra details to our upcoming events,  
the following is offered:**

**September 29 – Blessing of Animals**

**in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, 10 am**

**October 1-3 – XXV General Synod, hosted by our Diocese,**

**Our Lady of the Snows Retreat Center, Belleview, IL**

This is our Holy Church's quadrennial gathering of delegates from all the parishes on our Church and its organizations. There shall be a novena that will be distributed to all the parishes of the Diocese so that we can be a Church of prayer entering into this holy conclave.

**October 5-7 – Western Diocese SAMBS Spiritual Retreat –**

**Cardinal Stricht Conference Center, Mundelein, IL**

Again, we invite and encourage all the women of our Cathedral parish to participate in this retreat called to spiritual strengthening.

**October 7 – Inaugural meeting of the Post-Confirmation group**

We invite all post-Confirmation conferrees from 2012 to the present to be part of this group. We shall explore in greater detail some pertinent aspects of our Catholic Christian faith in order to equip our students more strongly in their faith to carry them through the years ahead.

**October 14 – Inaugural meeting of the Bible Study group**

All post-confirmation conferrees from age 15 and up to attend this study of Holy Scripture. We shall leave the direction of this study up to the group, which shall be our initial discussion on this day.

Following this time, we shall call all men of our parish, age 16 and up, to be a part of the resurgence of a men's group here in the Cathedral. We shall plot our course in this first meeting.

Also on this Sunday, we shall host the first of three "Sunday Suppers @ Saint Luke's" in Park Ridge. We are still looking for a chef to complete the menu and prepare this Supper.

**October 27 – Trunk-N-Treat (2-4 pm), Luncheon (4 pm),**

**Children's Music Ministry Concert (5-7 pm)**

**November 9** – “Operation Christmas Child” shoebox packing party.

# *All Saints Community Page*

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- *ST. LUKE’S SUNDAY SUPPERS – We are seeking a volunteer Coordinator for the October 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday Supper at St. Luke’s. The Coordinator plans the meal (for 100) and recruits volunteers to help with shopping, food prep, transport and serving. Contact Judie (630-222-0334) or Barb B. (224-558-9846).*
- *OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – The collection of specific items each month is going very well, and we are on track to assemble a record number of boxes this year! “Packing Night” will be Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30 pm. Keep those donations coming!*
- *WINGS – Did you know that we are now collecting for WINGS full time? Bring your clothing or small household item donations any time, and we will deliver them to WINGS when the box gets full.*
- *We wish to support more causes and events that help our Community.*
- *Please submit information to [info@ascpncc.org](mailto:info@ascpncc.org). THANK YOU!*

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To the Parish Family of All Saints Cathedral:

Last week at our Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, we heard a presentation by Chairman of the Cemetery Trustees, Phillip Smolka.

Phillip very clearly outlined the steps that had been taken since the subject was last recently brought to the attention of our congregation. He then showed a slide presentation that outlined the steps that can be taken in the near future.

What is needed currently is to carry the conversation forward on structure and placement in our sacred space.

Attached to the pamphlet is an information sheet which you can indicate your interest in this project.

Please know that this project will be taken to our neighbor parishes to seek their support as well.

A budget of \$20,000.00 was passed to continue to look at the possibility of placing a columbarium in our Cemetery.

We seek for your prayerful consideration of this project, and to consider this new service to those wishing to utilize our sacred space for their resting place.

May God bless you for whatever time and prayer you offer for this project.

The Cemetery Trustees



## UPCOMING EVENTS



Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events listed below and watch future bulletins for more information –

**September 23 – First day of SoCL!!!!!!**

**September 29 – Blessing of Animals, 10 am**

**October 1-3 – XXV General Synod, hosted by our Diocese, Our Lady of the Snows Retreat Center, Belleview, IL**

**October 5-7 – Western Diocese SAMBS Spiritual Retreat – Cardinal Stricht Conference Center, Mundelein, IL**

**October 7 – First Post-Confirmation gathering**

**October 14 – Solemnity of the Christian Family**

- First Bible Study gathering
- Initial meeting of the ASC Men's Group
- First "Sunday Supper @ Saint Luke's"

**October 27 – Trunk-N-Treat, 2-4 pm**

- *Light luncheon served @ 4 pm*
- *Children's Music Ministry Concert, 5-7 pm*  
*all in the Grove*

**November 1 – Solemnity of All Saints (Patronal Feastday)**

**November 2 – Observance of All Souls**

**November 9 – "Operation Christmas Child" shoebox packing**

**November 18 – Decoration of Trees – Brookfield Zoo**

**November 25 – Solemnity of Christ the King**

(Last Sunday of Ordinary Time)

**December 2 – First Sunday of Advent**

- *SAMBS "Advent Tea"*

**December 9 – "Birthday Party for Jesus"**

**December 16 – Chicago Circle United Choirs Concert**

**December 23 – Advent IV – Decorating of the parish church for the Nativity Holydays**

# *All Saints on the Web*

*Tell others about our web site and Facebook page, and let us pray they come to find a spiritual home with us!*

**Web site: <https://www.ascpncc.org/>**

**Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ascpncc/>**



*One Call Now is the system we use to send our weekly In Touch Email Bulletin as well as the automated phone calls. If you would like to receive emails and/or phone calls, or make a change to your current setup, contact Judie at [info@ascpncc.org](mailto:info@ascpncc.org).*

## Online Giving

**Online Giving from Our Sunday Visitor is a convenient, secure way to donate. You can set up regular contributions, pay your membership dues, or make an occasional donation to your favorite cause.**

**Sign-up is easy!**

**Just go to the website and follow the instructions; or contact Financial Secretary Jean Kurzynski for assistance.**

***CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE:***

***[www.ascpncc.org](http://www.ascpncc.org)***

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## *Bible Study for Ordinary Week 25 –*

9/23 – Luke 12:35-48 – How do I deal with the thought of death? my own? of those I love? What can I do to be ready?

**Prayer starter:** *Holy One, it becomes clearer and clearer to me that I cannot live an unconscious existence and find real happiness. Give me the courage to reflect on, and integrate, those aspects of life which I naturally flee.*

9/24 – Matthew 5:3 & Isaiah 66:1-4 – Am I more poor in spirit or self-sufficient? Where am I in relation to this kingdom?

**Prayer starter:** *Spirit of Christ, enable me to grow in this poverty of spirit so that I, too, can participate in the building up of a just world.*

9/25 – Matthew 5:4-5 – Can I accept this kind of kingdom? How can I “let it in” in my life and world?

**Prayer starter:** *Creator God, I love the way your kingdom is coming. It is so silent. So hidden, So humble. Keep me alert so I won't forget its presence among us.*

9/26 – Matthew 5:6,7,9,10 – Work for social justice: Do I have any involvement with it? Why? Why not?

**Prayer starter:** *YHWH, your teachings, your “dream” for human life is such a powerful, wonderful one. Show me the way to do my part.*

9/27 – Matthew 5:8, Psalm 24:3-6; Psalm 15:1-5 – It's all about personal integrity. Am I who I appear to be? Transparent to myself? others? God?

**Prayer starter:** *Lord, it's not easy to walk this way. Torah sets a very high standard for human life. But it is a real challenge – help me to measure up.*

9/28 – Luke 6:17-26 – These challenges hit close to home for many of us in North America today. What is my attitude toward the material advantages I enjoy?

**Prayer starter:** *Father of the poor, I see the need and the justice of using the wealth that I have for the good of others, as I am able. Guide me to those in my community who have the greatest need.*

9/29 – Romans 14:1-23 – Do I show this kind of respect and empathy to follow believers who are less robust than I?

**Prayer starter:** *Humble and patient Lord, teach me to see the person of my neighbor before I notice the irksome details, and to remember that I have them too.*

# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

9:45 AM, Every Sunday (September through May)  
Superintendent: Margaret Rowinski (630-307-2990)

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## YOUTH ASSOCIATION (Youth 8 & up are welcome)

Next Meeting: TBA  
Advisor: Bishop Stanley Bilinski [interim] (847-698-0578)

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## MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: TBA  
Chair: Judie Szydowski (630-222-0334)

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## CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Next Meeting, TBD  
Chair: Phillip Smolka (773-380-7131)

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## PARISH COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: 7:00PM, Tuesday, 18 September  
Chair: Gary Kurzynski (630-924-7504)

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## PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 23, following SoCL  
President: Doug Scott (312-623-6825)

*The PTO is pleased to announce that child care will be provided during PTO meetings starting with our next meeting on Sunday, August 19th. Please consider helping the PTO with their important work for the children of our Parish. Contact Doug or Lori Scott if you have any questions.*

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## WOMEN'S SOCIETY FOR THE ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Next Meeting: TBA  
President: Theresa Heath (224-858-7480)

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## POLISH NATIONAL UNION OF AMERICA

**BRANCH #37** President: Robert Maycan (847-318-7975)  
Financial Secretary: Teri Heath (224-858-7480)  
Meeting: TBD



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Cemetery Visiting Hours: 8:00AM - 5:00PM  
Spring & Summer Decorations April 1 - September 30  
Fall & Winter Decorations November 1 - February 28

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE:** 9:00AM

**DAILY MASSES** are held as announced in the weekly bulletin. Intentions may be offered at most Masses. To make arrangements for an intention, please contact the Pastor.

**HOLY DAY MASSES** are held as announced in the bulletin.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Arrangements should be made with the Pastor as soon as possible or at least 30 days prior to the ceremony.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

**EMERGENCIES, SICKNESS AND DEATH** should be reported to the Pastor immediately.