

**ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL PARISH
NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

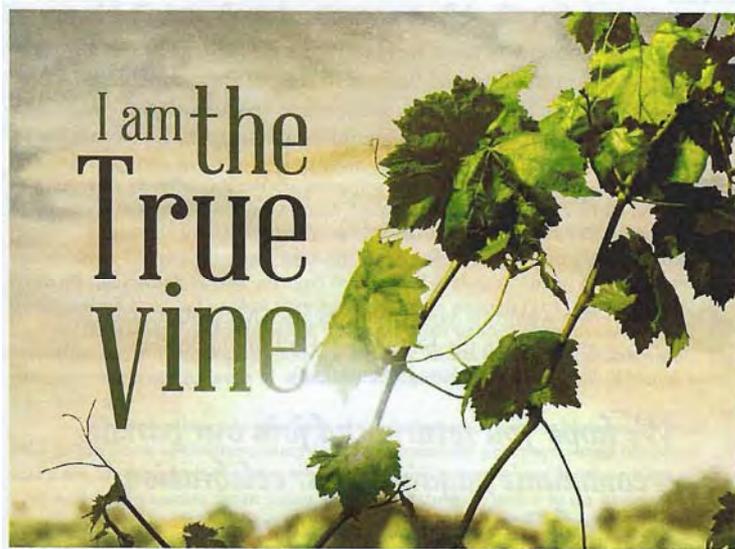
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*Catholic In Faith
A People Empowered*

April 29, 2018

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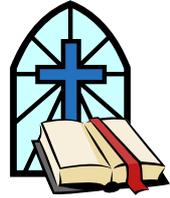
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TO OUR VISITORS

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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.

Easter 5

April 29, 2018

9:00 am – Holy Mass

LECTOR: Christopher Bogzevitz
CANTOR:
GREETER: Judie Szydowski
COUNTERS: Bryan Kurzynski / Lauren Fisher

Lessons Acts 9:26-31
1 John 3:18-24
GOSPEL Saint John 15:1-8

- School of Christian Living and Catechetical classes
- *Mission and Evangelism Workshop, "UnConference", All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA, Day 3*
Bishop Stan attends

Question: "What did Jesus mean when He said 'I am the True Vine' (John 15:1)?"

Answer: "I am the True Vine" ([John 15:1](#)) is the last of seven "[I am](#)" declarations of Jesus recorded only in John's Gospel. These "I am" proclamations point to His unique divine identity and purpose. Jesus said, "I am the True Vine" to closest friends gathered around Him. It was only a short time before Judas would betray Him; in fact, Judas had already left to do his infamous deed ([John 13:30](#)). Jesus was preparing the eleven men left for His pending crucifixion, His resurrection, and His subsequent departure for heaven. He had just told them that He would be leaving them ([John 14:2](#)). Knowing how disturbed they would feel, He gave them this lovely metaphor of the True Vine as one of His encouragements.

Jesus wanted His friends, not only those eleven, but those of all time, to know that He was not going to desert them, even though they would no longer enjoy His physical presence. His living energy—His spiritual reality—would continue to nourish and sustain them just as the roots and trunk of a grape vine produce the energy that nourishes and sustains its [branches](#) while they develop their fruit. Jesus wanted us to know that, even though we cannot see Him, we are as closely connected to Him as the branches of a vine are connected to its stem. Our desire to know and love Him and the energy to serve Him will keep flowing into and through us as long as we "abide" in Him.

WEEKDAY MASSES, SERVICES, ACTIVITIES

Monday, April 30 –

- *Bishop Stan attends the annual meeting of the “Consultation on Common Texts”, an ecumenical liturgical consultation, day 1*

Tuesday, May 1 –

- *CCT, day 2*

Wednesday, May 2 –

- *Holy Mass @ noon, intentions offered*

Thursday, May 3 –

- *Chicago Circle Choir meets to rehearse for the June concert*

Friday, May 4 –

- *Holy Mass for healing for our family and friends, noon*

Saturday, May 5 –

For the Western Diocese Ladies Retreat:

We are looking for “Altoid” mint boxes for our October Retreat. If you have any, please see Elaine Rowinski.

We would need them by August to complete our project.

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Easter 6

Confirmation Sunday

May 6, 2018

9:00 am – Holy Mass

*Intentions – for our Confirmands
sp. Victor Smulik, ofr by the family*

LECTOR: Lori Scott
CANTOR:
GREETER: Ray Mizyk
COUNTERS: Don Pagels / Dolores Urban

Lessons Joel 2:23-32
Acts 19:1-6
GOSPEL Matthew 16:24-27

- School of Christian Living and Catechetical classes
- Cathedral Youth Group monthly meeting
- *Mission and Evangelism Workshop, "UnConference",
All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA, Day 3*

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS! SHARE YOUR GOOD NEWS!

This space reserved for "YOUR GOOD NEWS"

Maddie Gradowski recently competed in the IHSA (Illinois High School Association) Vocalist Solo & Ensemble competition. She sang "Caro Mio Ben", which is an Italian Aria. Maddie received a Division 1 score which is the highest score a judge can award!

Reported by the proud Mom and Dad

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

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| Madison Gradowski | 04/29 |
| Gianna Galvan | 05/02 |
| Lisa Urban | 05/05 |

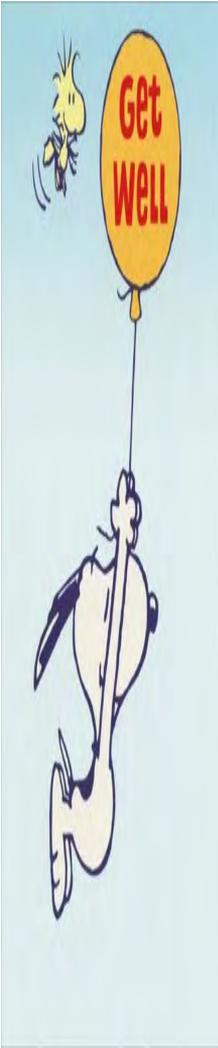
May God bless you and grant you all
a very Happy Birthday!

PARISHIONERS: Bishop Stanley Bilinski, Mary Andersen, Jim Mueller, Charles Scott, Adeline Kozak, Cathy Milbrandt, Lorraine Fanslow, Robert Maycan, Joan Maluchnik, Gerald Maycan, Bernardine Mrozek, Rose Papish, Diane Hughes

FAMILY & FRIENDS: Rosemary Petrosky, Luz Reygosa, Emma Freshwater, George Jugan, Carmen Cordero, Andrew Bear, John Miroslaw, Kinsley Nicole Mack, Wayne Wright, Dan McWeeny, "Sonny" Collinet

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Dave & Dorothy Catinella, Harriet Jablonowski, Joseph Kosowski, Michael Kosowski, Dorothy Krzysko, Ted Bednarowicz,

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



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

APRIL

ITEMS OF THE MONTH



STUFFED ANIMALS

“When I lifted the lid on my purple plastic shoebox, the first thing I saw was a stuffed dog. I was filled with exuberant joy! I just remember hugging it.” –

Yuliya, Central Asia

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND
GENEROUS DONATIONS**

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cursory Histories of the Saints celebrated this week:

4/29 - Catherine of Siena - Although Catherine of Siena frequently saw visions of Jesus and experienced mystical ecstasy, she was also one of the most down-to-earth of women. Her visions were not always beautiful. At times she was made miserable by images of foul demons and gross temptations. But at other times sweet visions of her Savior entranced her. Catherine loved working amongst the sick. Unlike most other volunteers, she would care for those with the most repellent diseases. She gathered around her many friends, and when a plague broke out in Siena she led them boldly amongst those who had caught it. Catherine also took part in some of the wider events of the church. At this time the papacy was tragically weakened by contested elections, pope and antipopes denouncing each other. Catherine supported the true Pope Urban VI against his opponents; but he was a somewhat graceless man, and her letters to him never hesitated to reprove the pope for this fault, while remaining entirely loyal to him.

4/30 - Peter of Verona - 15 c.

5/1 - Sigismund of Burgundy - Gunebald, ruler of the kingdom of Burgundy, claimed to be a Christian but denied the divinity of Jesus. His son and heir, Sigismund accepted the true faith. But although intellectually he had become a Christian, his temper and savage ways remained those of a pagan. He had been king for scarcely a year when his son Sigeric fell out with his stepmother. The king took the stepmother's part. So angered at this display, Sigismund ordered his officers to strangle the prince. After his anger abated, he was appalled by what he had done to his son. He strove to make amends. He founded anew the monastery at Agaunum. The king became a lover of the poor, liberally distributing his goods in their service. But still he felt he had not properly made amends for the murder. He had hoped that some calamity would overtake him. The King of the Franks attacked Sigismund. For some time Sigismund escaped their swords, eventually captured and taken to Orleans for execution. His corpse was flung down a well.

5/2 - Athanasius - Athanasius's life as bishop of Alexandria was anything but peaceful. He had been consecrated in the year 328, at a time when the church was split almost to breaking point. Again and again he was driven into exile, returning when he could take up his see once more. Shortly before his consecration the church had established Christian orthodoxy at a great council held at Nicea. Athanasius wrote brilliant works defending this council and its teachings, insisting that Jesus was truly God and fully man, defining the Holy Spirit as God also. Athanasius wrote splendidly about the work of Jesus Christ. "It was his task to restore the corruptible to incorruption," he declared, "and to maintain the honor of

the Father before all. ... He alone was able to recreate everything and to be ambassador for all men with the Father." Jesus, says Athanasius, was born, lived as a man, died and rose again, "that, whithersoever men have been lured away, he may recall them from that place, revealing to them his won true Father: as he himself said, "I came to seek and to save that which was lost"." Although he did not write what is usually called the Athanasian Creed, almost certainly it was compiled using his ideas and from his own writings. He died on 2 May 373, happily restored to his bishopric in Alexandria.

5/3 - Philip - Philip, who was born in Bethsaida in Galilee, was called to be an apostle by Jesus Himself. Immediately he began to convert others, finding his friend Nathaniel and telling him that Jesus of Nazareth was the one of whom Moses and the prophets had written. He had the gift of raising issues that were in everyone else's mind, even if it made him seem foolish or doubting. Later when Jesus made difficult statements about himself and God the Father, Philip was bold enough to say "Lord, show us the Father and we shall be satisfied." Jesus replied, "Have I been so long with you, Philip, and still you do not know me? He who has seen me has seen the Father."

5/4 - Pelagia - Two saints who both died in the year 304 are commemorated on this day. They lived many miles apart, during the persecutions of the Emperor Diocletian. Pelagia, the daughter of pagan parents, is even said to have caught the eye of the emperor's son. She, however, had no desire to marry. On the pretext of visiting her old nurse, she sought help and counsel from a Christian bishop. Under his inspiration, Saint Pelagia became a Christian herself, and the bishop baptized her. At this point not only did the emperor's son turn against Pelagia; so did her own mother. A singular torture was now prepared for the beautiful girl. A hollow bull was made out of bronze. Pelagia was put inside it and then roasted to death. The bishop is said to have buried her relics.

5/5 - Hilary of Arles - Hilary of Arles was an impetuous bishop, zealous in charity and zealous in asserting the rights of his episcopate. In the latter he twice went too far and was censured by the pope. But each time Saint Hilary, even though he had defended himself, submitted to the superior authority; and after his death in 449, Pope Leo the Great wrote of his "blessed memory." Perhaps Hilary's impetuous zeal arose because he was still a young man, barely 30 years old, when he became bishop. Hilary for his part gave away all he had to the poor, before being professed as a monk. Then in the year 426 Hilary became assistant to the bishopric. The saint still lived as if he were in the monastery, observing the regular monastic hours of prayer, and he humbly continued this pattern of life after his consecration as bishop.

Saints of God, pray for us!



PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

April is Cemetery Preparation Month.

Please remove all winter decorations as soon as weather permits. Also note that no plastic arrangements should be placed for the rest of the grass/shrubbery growing season.

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.



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred next Sunday

This Sacrament is the completion of the trilogy of the Christian Catholic rites of initiation. Our six young people will be making promises that they and their sponsors will make sure they live throughout the rest of their life. The saint's name they will choose will be invoked and will intercede for them also throughout the rest of their life.

The question that faces our Cathedral parish family is this – are we ready to take on a responsibility? Yes, we have a grave responsibility that begins next Sunday. We are the Christian Catholic role models for these young people. How many of us can name the students in the most recent classes that were confirmed? And, where are they? Why are they not here? Who's to blame? Truth be told, we hold part of that blame. We have not been concerned with their spiritual life, of which we are an integral part.

We have one week to answer the question: am I going to take the responsibility to care for the spiritual life of these candidates? Am I going to consider myself a “big brother/sister” in the faith for these candidates? Am I going to work with the parents and sponsors to allow a spiritual environment for these young people. If the answer is no, our parish future will be bleak.

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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.

Invitations have come to the parish:

- May 17-20 are the dates for the Men's Retreat sponsored by the YMSR. We shall meet at Spójnia Farm in Waymart, PA Deadline soon!

- June 8-10 are the days for the National Bowling Tournament in Waymart, PA. Deadline for registration is 31 March. Any member of the PNCC may bowl. Youth between the ages of 13-17 have their division
Deadline soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS



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

April 27-29 – National Mission and Evangelism Workshop, Carnegie, PA

May 6 – **Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation**

May 13 – **Mothers' Day**

May 14-16 – Western Diocese Clergy Retreat

May 17-20 – 1st Annual Men's Retreat, Waymart, PA

June is Sacred Vocations Month

May 20 – **Solemnity of Pentecost** – **SoCL Commencement**

May 27 – **SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

June 2 – Western Diocese Council meets at Our Savior Parish in Dearborn Hts., MI

June 3 – **Conferral of the Sacrament of First Eucharist**

May 31 – The Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Procession to the Four Altars

June 17 – **Fathers' Day**/ "Donuts for Dads, by ASCUYA

June 29-July 1 – Diocesan United Choirs

Convention and Concert

June 30 – July 7 – **"KURS" 2018**

July 4 – **Independence Day**

July 23-27 – **Convo 2018** – **University of Scranton**

August 6 – **Solemnity of our Lord's Transfiguration**

August 12 – **Summerfest 2018**

August 15 – **Solemnity of our Blessed Mother's Dormition**

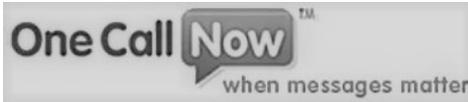
August 26 – **Youth Sunday**

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.

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

*Tell others about our website,
let us pray they come to find a spiritual home with us!*

Bible Study for Easter (Bright) Week 5 –

4/29 – Acts 28:11-29 – How able am I to relinquish control? to receive from others? to be surprised?

Prayer starter: *Ineffable Mystery, I want to live the adventure you have invited me to be giving me life, but sometimes I lack courage, sometime I lack the energy. Be with me, and give me a hand.*

4/30 – Acts 28:30-31 – How do I witness to this tradition of which I am an heir? in my family? in other settings?

Prayer starter: *YHWH, You with the unpronounceable name, thank you for this tradition of faith into which I have been born. Enable me to shoulder my share of the responsibilities for passing it on.*

5/ 1 – Acts 21:1 – 22:29 – Am I able to accept suffering with the graciousness that alone makes it life-giving?

Prayer starter: *Risen Lord, raise my awareness of your presence in and through those who suffer for truth, justice, and mercy in our world.*

5/ 2 – Acts 22:30 – 23:35 – What are my thoughts here? Am I “knowledge-equipped” to engage in this discussion today?

Prayer starter: *Holy One, sometimes I find myself struggling interiorly with the question of spirit. Is it real? Is it an illusion? Strengthen me. Reassure me.*

5/ 3 – Acts 24:1-27 – Where am I at in regard to the Christian way of life? How seriously do I take its ethical demand?

Prayer starter: *Jesus, you know well the difficulties of trying to “walk the talk” in human life. I want to be good; I want to live with integrity. Help me.*

5/ 4 – Acts 25:1 – 26:32 – How real is the hope of life after death for me?

Prayer starter: *Holy, ineffable One, help me to do the work I need to do to build my self and my life on this sober truth.*

5/ 5 – Acts 27:1 – 28:10 – Do I value the language of gestures, particularly at times when words fail?

Prayer starter: *Lord, make me rich in gestural language. There are so many who cannot really speak any other way.*

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

9:45 AM, Every Sunday (September thru May)

Superintendent: Margaret Rowinski (630-307-2990)

YOUTH ASSOCIATION (Youth 8 & up are welcome)

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 20, after SoCL Commencement

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

MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: TBA

Chair: Judie Szydowski (630-222-0334)

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Next Meeting, TBA

Chair: Phillip Smolka (773-380-7131)

PARISH COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: 7:00PM, Tuesday, 15 May

Chair: Gary Kurzynski (630-924-7504)

PARENT - TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Next Meeting: May 20, after SoCL Commencement

President: Doug Scott (312-623-6825)

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

Next Meeting: TBD

President: Theresa Heath (224-858-7480)

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 Secretary: Jill cemetery@ascpncc.org
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.