

The Polish National Catholic Church of Holy Trinity and Saint Joseph

A Catholic Community that celebrates diversity and whose beliefs are based on the Holy Scripture, Christian Tradition, and Church Ecumenical Synods.

We welcome you and invite you to join our parish family.



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"Through the years.."

Parents' Appreciation Day Set



The Parish Council has set Sunday, May 20th as Parents' Appreciation Day. A special breakfast honoring fathers and mothers will be hosted in the parish center on that day. The breakfast will be a covered dish. There is a signup sheet in the parish center to register what you will bring. The breakfast begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend. We hope those attending the 11 a.m. mass on this day will arrive early and join us for breakfast. If you can't bring an item a \$10 donation is requested.



Our parish will host the NY/NJ Seniorate Corpus Christi celebration on Sunday, June 3rd at 4 p.m. Refreshments will be hosted by the parish Adoration Society following the service. Please plan to attend.

Parish Membership Dues

The members gathered at the Annual Membership Meeting did not increase the annual membership dues. Dues for single members are \$185. For families, it is \$335. These can be paid throughout the year utilizing the parish envelop system. Since most of these dues are targeted to National and Diocesan Church obligations, the parish relies on your Sunday Offering to meet operating expenses. God bless you for your continued generosity.

Pierogi Making

Volunteers will meet on Saturday, June 9th, at 9 a.m. to make pierogi. Please plan to come and lend a hand. A sign-up sheet appears in the church vestibule and parish center to register your orders.

SUNDAY MASSES:

9:00 am – English
11:00 am – Polish

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Sundays at 10:00 am

REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Please provide the pastor with your address to be placed on our mailing list

MARRIAGES:

Please begin to make arrangements at least one year in advance with the pastor.

BAPTISMS:

Please call the pastor's residence for information.

SICK CALLS:

In emergency, at any time. Otherwise arrange with the pastor at least the day before.

CONFESSIONS:

Please arrange with the pastor.

Rev. Jan Kość
Pastor

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Parish Center

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Of Our Lord
Jesus Christ**

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2018 – Year of the Family

In 2018 the church invites us to the **Year of the Family** focusing on the Holy Family to strengthen our families to live by the Christian faith.



Each month will focus on a different component of the family:

- May - The love of our Blessed Mother - her submission to the Will of God an example for all.
- June - Sacred Vocations Month - Our Commitment to Sacred Vocations.
- July - The important of family time and vacation.
- August - The importance of youth in the family.
- September - Sharing our gifts and talents in the home and parish.
- October - Clergy Appreciation Month
- November - Family gratitude.

Lunches for the Homeless

Once again, the parish will partner with Bridges Outreach of Summit NJ to prepare brown bag lunches for the homeless. Our goal is 100 lunches. Please consider a donation to support this community service project. A sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board in the parish center and church vestibule.

June is Sacred Vocations Month

Jesus said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” (Luke 10:2). For many years now, the Polish National Catholic Church has set aside the month of June to pray for Sacred Vocations; to pray that the men of the Church, both young and old, will hear and answer the call of our Lord to seek the priesthood or diaconate. The words above, spoken by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ to the seventy disciples before He sent them out to preach and heal, were true in His day and are still true two thousand years later. During this month for Sacred Vocations, we must not only pray, but stronger action is also necessary. Let the month of June be, not only 30 days to focus on Sacred Vocations, but rather the beginning of a time for change; a change in our parishes, a change in our families and a change in ourselves to spend some time focusing on Sacred Vocations. Let us ask at our next parish annual meeting and next parish committee meeting, what is this parish doing for Sacred Vocations? Let us ask as families of the Church, what are we doing for Sacred Vocations in the P.N.C.C.? And let us ask ourselves, what am I doing as an individual to encourage Sacred Vocations within the Church? It starts by considering it, praying for it and working for it, and it will be accomplished by continuing to do this each day. Let us pray for Sacred Vocations during this month of June. Let us pray earnestly that the men of the Church will be open to God’s call and will answer. But also let this June be the beginning of a change to honor the clergy, encourage all men to consider service at the altar of the Lord and show that we, as Polish National Catholics, need and cherish, support and encourage, those men who do take up this call to follow Christ through a ministry at the altar.

- *Most Rev. Anthony M. Mikovsky, PhD*
Prime Bishop
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Our Stewardship Commitment

As we approach the middle of the year, it is a good time to consider our commitment, or re-commitment to the sacrificial aspects of financially supporting our parish. A passage from Deuteronomy counsels all to “...remember the Lord your God for it is He who gives you power to get wealth ...”. Our stewardship commitment shows our appreciation to God for the gifts we have been provided and our willingness to share those gifts. As of the end of March, total assets of all parish accounts total only \$29,185.62.

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Sharing Time and Treasure

Well Done Good and Faithful Steward ... Enter into the joy of your Lord

- Matthew 25:21

Time is a most valuable commodity in our very busy lives. We all wish to have more of it. There are so many good things to do and accomplish. But to include a sharing of time for our parish and our faith is vital.

Since our last newsletter, we acknowledge

- Attorney Ellyn Draikiwicz who continues to offer her legal talents to the parish and diocese unselfishly.
- Our master craftsmen who willingly share their talents with the parish.
- Warren Downey for the maintenance tasks he performs around the parish.
- Those who worked at and attended the parish St. Joseph and Easter Dinners.
- Those who provided maintenance services to the parish center restrooms.
- Those who made pierogi and stuffed cabbage for the parish fund raiser.
- Those who host the Sunday Social Hour with their time.
- Those who serve our parish as acolytes, parish council members and choir members.
- Those who continue to do special things for our parish that go unnoticed.

Treasure for many of us is the hardest gift of all to share, yet it can be the most rewarding when shared properly and when used wisely.

During the past few months, many parish members have shared their treasure with the parish. We especially acknowledge those who week after week contribute their fair share in the Sunday Offering. This month we especially acknowledge:

- Those who donated to food items to the parish St. Joseph and Easter Dinners.
- Those who contributed to the Heating Fund Drive.
- Those who contributed to the Socks and Toiletries Drive.
- Barbara Muccia for her donation of flowers for the altar for Easter in memory of her husband, Anthony, and father, John Sibilski.
- Mr. & Mrs. Aloysius Kanu for their recent monetary gift to our parish.
- Those who re-evaluated and increased their weekly contribution to our parish.
- Those who support the Sunday Social Hour with their donations.
- Those who make financial contributions to our parish that go unnoticed.

Life Events

<p>We celebrated with the Velasco and Toledo families on the marriage of Jonah Velasco and Gerald Toledo.</p> <p>We celebrated with the Hughes family on the occasion of the baptism of Addison Aurelia Hughes, daughter of Sean & Ana Hughes.</p> <p>We celebrated with the Kosc family on the birth of a son and grandson, Franklin Andrew Kosc</p> <p>We mourned with the Scerbo family on the death of Lou Scerbo. Lou was a long-time member of the Parish Council.</p>	<p>We celebrated with the Janzen Velasco and the Velasco family on his graduation from high school. We wish him well as he begins college studies at Union College.</p> <p>We celebrated with Alison Draikiwicz and the Draikiwicz family on her graduation from Wellesley College. Allison is receiving a bachelor's Degree with a double major in American Studies and Environmental Studies.</p> <p>We celebrated with John Draikiwicz and the Draikiwicz family on his graduation from Cornell Tech with a master's Degree in Electrical Engineering.</p> <p>We celebrated with the Matz family on the birth of grandson, Brennan Stephen Matz.</p>
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Parish Council for 2018

The following were elected to the Parish Council during the Annual Membership Meeting.

Pastor: Father Kosc, Ex Officio Chairman: Kenneth E. Matz Vice Chairman: Warren Downey Secretary: Ann Matz Corresponding Secretary: Eleanor Shamy Financial Secretary: Joann Downey Treasurer: Michael R. Mietlicki Seniorate Council Representative: Edward Kaminski	Directors: Carol Harchar Aloysius Kanu Viktoriya Kanu Mary A. Gorgol Mietlicki Barbara Muccia Marianna Rejterada Allyssa Harchar Steele	Tribunal: Donald Kanu, MD Barbara Muccia Father Kosc, Ex Officio Auditors: Barbara Muccia Kenneth E. Matz
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Favored Local Businesses That Deserve Our Support

We bring to your attention the generosity of the following businesses that have donated to our parish, offered their service to our parish free of charge or at extreme discounts:

- Atty. Ellyn Draikiwicz (our parish member) of the law firm Bourne, Noll & Kenyon - Summit NJ
- Dreyer Farms - Cranford, NJ

Please support these businesses at every opportunity.

Recent Pierogi Making



Interesting Links For You

You can access these links from the copy of this newsletter that is located on the **Downloads** page of our website: www.pnccnj.org

Brotherly Love Presentation on YouTube [Here.](#)

Our Diocesan Bishop's Message on the Feast of Brotherly Love on YouTube [Here.](#)

A Re-enactment of the Life of Bishop Francis Hodur on YouTube [Here.](#)

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