

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. DAVID*****Ad Multos Annos!  
To Many Years!***

*On Tuesday, 27 March 2007 our Bishop Howard J. Hubbard celebrates his 30<sup>th</sup> Episcopal Anniversary.*

*Let us offer prayers of thanksgiving  
for his years of faithful service to God's People  
in the Church of Albany  
and for the Holy Spirit's outpouring of gifts as he continues  
his ministry among us.*

**New Mass Schedule  
goes into effect next week, 31 March/1 April**

Vigil: 4:30pm St. John  
Sunday: 8:30am St. Stanislaus  
10:30am St. Casimir

**NOTE:** *This is a tentative schedule and will be reviewed in a few months by the three parishes.*

**Liturgical Ministers for Palm Sunday**

**Readers:** Cathie Ozug (Isaiah) & Mary Ann Louison (Philippians)

**Euch Ministers:** Marcia Kryzak, Kim Ryba, Betty & Phil Guadagno, Jean Trainosky, Lynette Russo.

**SAINT STANISLAUS PRE-K TO CLOSE**

*For 19 years Barbara Hidde has served our parish and community through teaching our children in the Saint Stanislaus Pre-K. This June that service will come to a conclusion due to a declining enrollment and fewer financial resources of the parish. Please keep Barbara in prayer as she discerns her future. Any questions or concerns about her future teaching can be directed to Barbara at 829.5004.*

**CHRISM MASS BUS** will be leaving the St. Stanislaus parking lot Thursday, 29 March at 5:00pm for the Cathedral. We will have time to get seats experience the building and pray with our bishop surrounded by his clergy and people.

**TRIDUUM CHOIR REHEARSAL:** Tuesday, 27 March, St. Stanislaus; 6:30pm

**EASTER SUNDAY MORNING, 8 APRIL**  
8:30pm St. John; 9:00am St. Stanislaus  
10:30am St. Casimir

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SACRED TRIDUUM****Rehearsal Schedule**

**for Good Friday for servers, clergy**

Monday, 2 April; 7:00pm

**for Holy Thursday**

**for mixed choirs**

Tuesday, 3 April; 6:30pm

**for servers and foot washing people, clergy**

Tuesday, 3 April; 7:00pm

**for Easter Vigil for servers, readers, clergy**

Saturday, 7 April; 9:30am after Morning Prayer

**Easter Decorating: 2:00pm Holy Saturday**

Jim & Dolores Dybas, Joan Stanavich, McNamara Family, Paul Tonko, Fran Luzinas, Srs. Edna & Evangeline, Mary Ann Louison

**NOTES FOR MINISTERS OF THE TRIDUUM**

**Greeters** should be in place a half hour before the time of the liturgy; programs and hymnals are to be handed out.

**Holy Thursday Readers & Eucharistic Ministers** should meet in the church hall by 5:45pm.

**Servers** should be vested and ready no later than 20 minutes before each service.

**MINISTERS OF THE TRIDUUM****HOLY THURSDAY**

**Greeters** Carol Braun, Joan Stanavich, Eileen Andrzejewski, Connie Niegoski, Beverly Scott

**Readers**

Mary Ann Louison (Exodus); Felice Druziak (Corinthians)

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Sue Karchesky, Gretchen Braun, Michael Stellato, Larry Steiger, Regina Hartvigas, Christina Tambasco

**Servers**

Julia Marrone, Stephen & Marie Rimkunas, Victoria Tambasco

**Footwashers**

Harry Czosnykowski, Pat Zarzycki, Dorothy Piurek, Gene Piurek, Michael, Jacob & Ethan Marrone, Mikalina Tambasco, Annie Kielbasa, Katie Howland, Bradley Steiger

**GOOD FRIDAY****Greeters**

Eileen Andrzejewski, Fran Luzinas, Mary Ann Louison, Patrick Homa, Connie Niegoski, Beverly Scott

**Readers** Tom Fryc (Isaiah); Connie Niegoski (Hebrews)

**Servers**

Daniel & Victoria Daigle, Alicia Sikora, Katie Howland

**Ushers:** Eileen Andrzejewski & Jim Dybas

**EASTER VIGIL****Greeters**

Dolores Dybas, Marie Burnet, Florence & Milton Bryant, Beverly Scott

**Readers**

Paul Tonko (Genesis, Creation)

John Kot (Genesis, Abraham)

Michael Stellato (Exodus)

Kristen Kielbasa (Isaiah)

Ronald Rogers (Ezekiel)

Cathie Ozug (Romans)

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Pat Tonko, Joanne McNamara, Jane Papura, William

Jasewicz, Joseph Wojna, Elizabeth Kielbasa

**Servers**

Mary Ann Louison, Daniel McNamara, Michael Scott, Garrick Wager, Ashley Werner

**Ushers** Jim Dybas & Kevin McNamara

**EASTER SUNDAY Saint Stanislaus**

**Greeters**

Marcie Benjamin, Dolores Dybas, Juliet Konieczny, Cheryl Skowronek, Lynette Russo, Natalie Russo

**Rezurekcja Procession**

Harry Czosnykowski (Risen Christ); Gene Piurek (Paschal Candle); Dolores Dybas (Cross)

**Readers**

Dorothy Piurek (Acts); Terri Neary (Colossians)

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Dolores Dybas, Jim Dybas, Jean Trainosky, Cheryl Skowronek, Elaine Blaze, Amanda Piurek

**Servers**

Paul Blaze, Jacob Reinhart, A.J. Miller

**Ushers** Jim Dybas & Eileen Andrzejewski

**LIVE SIMPLY REFLECTIONS – LENT 2007**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent**

It seems to be a common trait of humanity that every group finds one of its number to be the scapegoat for all its woes, one person who will be the butt of criticism so that all others will feel safe. But Jesus' remark to those who would persecute the adulterer is 'let the one who is without sin cast the first stone'. He is neither condoning nor condemning. No one can assess the inner guilt of someone else because we cannot presume to know the past influences and pressures now affecting them. In the silence as Jesus bends down to get close to her and doodles in the sand they have time enough to dwell on the reality that their application of the Law is unjust and that what Jesus is offering and Isaiah foretold is something very new. The notion of the God of vengeance, who righted wrongs in terrible ways, is replaced by a vision of a giving and forgiving God of compassion who is not distant but comes close. The psalm offers a joyful welcome to this new way of being, to the freedom to live.

Today is also the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Parliamentary decision, proposed by Lord William Wilberforce of Hull, to abolish slavery. You can explore this matter further by referring to the relevant website: [www.setallfree.net](http://www.setallfree.net)

There are many things that still bind us. The states of envy, guilt and bitterness primarily damage the bearer more than the object of such feeling. Concentration on possessing more things prevents us from having God and life in all its fullness. Paul seeks to accept the loss of everything so as to have Christ. No wonder Christ extolled the happiness of the poor, those who have no one except God on whom to depend. Live simply ... it is worth it!

**The Lenten Spring at Saint Stan's**

**God at the Movies—a Lenten film series**

Monday afternoons at 2:30pm OR Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm.

Week 5                    26 & 28 March **Finding Nemo** (G)

**Gorzkie Zale**                    Friday, 30 March; **3:30pm**

**Stations of the Cross** Friday, 30 March **6:30pm.**

**MEETING** – St. John's Rosary Society - Monday, March 26 at 6:00pm. It is very important that all members attend this meeting.

**HERITAGE AWARDS:** The American Polonaise Society will present two awards to high school seniors who are residents of the Amsterdam School District. Criteria and application forms are available in the guidance office at the Amsterdam High School or by calling 843-1285. Completed applications must be submitted by April 18<sup>th</sup>.



**OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

***An Increased Offertory Response***

2006-07 budget: \$245,911.00

Weekly Collection:                    \$3,197.00  
Catholic Relief :                        \$ 593.00



**ANNUAL  
HOLY NAME  
SOCIETY  
BABKA & BAKE  
SALE**

***Palm Sunday Weekend – Saturday, March 31 from noon to 6:00pm and Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00am-1:00pm. Raisin Babka and Grain Breads, various baked goods and raffle items.***

**MASS INTENTIONS  
FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, MARCH 26**

8:00am **Mary Tomasik**, req. the Patteson Family

**TUESDAY, MARCH 27**

8:00am **Walter Dybas**, req. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dybas

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28**

8:00am **Genevieve Wojcicki**, req. Rose & Charles Lis

**THURSDAY, MARCH 29**

8:00am **Bonita Rafferty**, req. Aunts Reggie & Dorothy  
**Lottie Swietlicki**, req. Tessie

**FRIDAY, MARCH 30**

8:00am **Steve Niemczyk**, req. Regina & Families  
**Mary Dudek**, req. Betty  
**Pietro "Peter" Russo**, req. Wife, Lynette

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21**

4:30pm (St. John's) **FOR PARISHIONERS**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1 (PALM SUNDAY)**

8:30am (St. Stan's) **FOR PARISHIONERS**  
10:30am (St. Casimir's) **FOR PARISHIONERS**

**SANCTUARY LAMP – MARCH 25-31, 2007**

*Special Intention - Health*