

# THE SAINT STAN'S SPOTLIGHT

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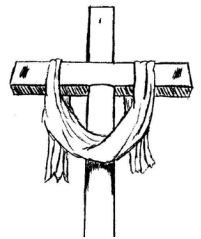
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## CHURCH NOTIFICATIONS

### THE EASTER CELEBRATION

Through our Lord's suffering, Passion, and death on the Cross, we receive forgiveness, pardon, and mercy. Then, with minds that are free, with souls at peace, and with hearts filled with love, we may truly understand the beauty of Easter. May the gift of the Lord's forgiveness, the gift of His peace, and the gift of His Love strengthen the faith of you and your loved ones that you may truly rejoice in the beauty and glory of the Resurrection!



HE IS RISEN

We welcome all parishioners to participate in the Easter celebration with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday of the Lord's Passion, the Easter Vigil, and the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord. Please see the newsletter calendar for specific times.

### 2015 SAINT STAN'S CARNIVAL

Are you ready! That is the rallying cry for our annual summer tradition, the Saint Stan's Carnival. This year's summer tradition will take place from June 24 to June 27 (see newsletter calendar for specific times). The Carnival Headquarters opens after 5 P.M. Mass on Saturday, May 16.

We welcome all parishioners, neighbors, and friends to show your support by volunteering your time and efforts for a great cause. With your efforts and time we will be ready!

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# APRIL 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (5:30 P.M.)  ROGA KRZYOWA (7 P.M.)	<b>2</b> HOLY THURSDAY  MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (7 P.M.)  <b>RAS:</b> HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION (8 P.M.)  <b>NO BINGO TODAY</b>	<b>3</b> GOOD FRIDAY  STATIONS OF THE CROSS (12 NOON)  <b>RAS:</b> GOOD FRIDAY ADORATION (2 P.M.)  PASSION OF THE LORD (3 P.M.)  MEKA PANSKA (7 P.M.)  <b>HNS:</b> <u>NO</u> NOCTURNAL ADORATION	<b>4</b> HOLY SATURDAY  BLESSING OF THE FOOD (10 A.M., 12 NOON, AND 2 P.M.)  EASTER VIGIL (7 P.M.)
<b>5</b> EASTER  <b>NO BINGO</b>	<b>6</b> EASTER MONDAY  <b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>7</b> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>8</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>9</b> <b>HNS:</b> ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>AA:</b> AWARDS BANQUET (6 P.M.)
<b>12</b> <b>RAS/HNS:</b> MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>13</b> <b>HNS:</b> MEETING (7 P.M.)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>16</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)  <b>HNS:</b> SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS' BANQUET (7P.M.)	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>22</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>23</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>30</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)		

# MAY 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> HNS: NOCTURNAL ADORATION AT SAINT BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH (8 P.M.)	<b>2</b> SAINT STAN'S SCHOOL FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (10 A.M.)
<b>3</b> RAS: MASS AND MEETING (9 A.M.)  MAY CROWNING MASS (9 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>6</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>7</b> HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> MOTHER'S DAY  HSA: MOTHER OF THE YEAR MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.)  NO BINGO TODAY	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)  ASCENSION OF THE LORD VIGIL (7 P.M.)	<b>14</b> ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MASSES AT 7 A.M., 9 A.M., and 7 P.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>15</b> FEAST OF SAINT ISIDORE THE FARMER (MASS AT 7 A.M.)  SAINT STAN'S SCHOOL FIELD DAY	<b>16</b> POLISH SCHOOL FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (10 A.M.)  CARNIVAL HEADQUARTERS (OPEN AFTER 5 P.M. MASS)  RAS: ELVIS TRIBUTE SHOW (6 P.M.)
<b>17</b> CARNIVAL HEADQUARTERS OPEN IN CHURCH LOBBY  HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>18</b> SAINT STAN'S SCHOOL FIELD DAY RAIN DATE  HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	<b>19</b> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>20</b> RAS: FAMILY ROSARY (7 P.M.)	<b>21</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> PENTECOST SUNDAY  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>25</b> MEMORIAL DAY  PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>28</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)						

# JUNE 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> SAINT STAN'S SCHOOL 8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASS TRIP  PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>3</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>4</b> HNS: ATLANTIC CITY TRIP (11 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>5</b> HNS: NOCTURNAL ADORATION AT SAINT BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH (8 P.M.)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> RAS: MASS AND MEETING (9 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)	<b>11</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> FLAG DAY  HNS: MASS AND BREAKFAST (9 A.M.)  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>15</b> HNS: MEETING (7 P.M.)	<b>16</b> PRAYER GROUP (7 P.M.)	<b>17</b> RECITATION OF THE ROSARY (6:30 P.M.)  CARNIVAL PEP RALLY (7 P.M.)	<b>18</b> BINGO (DOORS OPEN 6 P.M.)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> FATHER'S DAY  BINGO (DOORS OPEN 12 NOON)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (6 P.M. TO 10 P.M.)  NO ROSARY	<b>25</b> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (6 P.M. TO 10 P.M.)  NO BINGO	<b>26</b> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (7 P.M. TO 11 P.M.)	<b>27</b> ANNUAL PARISH CARNIVAL (7 P.M. TO 11 P.M.)
<b>28</b> NO BINGO	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>				

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### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

The Saint Stan's Parish will receive First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 2, at 10 A.M.

The Saint Stan's Polish School will receive First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 16, at 10 A.M.

### **MAY CROWNING**

All parishioners are welcome to participate in our May Crowning on Sunday, May 3, at the 9 A.M. Mass.

### **CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION BOOK**

Be one of the many Saint Stan's parishioners who have taken the opportunity to purchase a copy of the Saint Stan's Centennial Commemoration book. This 80-page, hardcover book showcases our Parish with gorgeous pictures and timeless information that bring you along for a trip through the very beginnings of our Church all the way to our present day Parish.

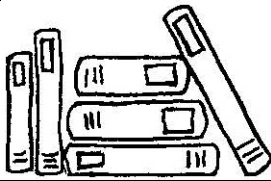
In addition, each commemoration book comes with a collection of note cards that show our church's beautiful stained glass windows and frescos. Get yourself or a loved one a copy of the Centennial Commemoration book and share the rich history and legacy of our Saint Stan's Parish community.

### **MOTHER'S DAY**

We wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for all that you do for us and our parish.

### **FEAST OF SAINT ISIDORE THE FARMER**

We welcome all parishioners to participate in the Mass on Friday, May 15, at 7 A.M. in honor of the Feast of Saint Isidore the Farmer. We will pray to Saint Isidore the Farmer for calm weather during our Carnival.



# SCHOOL NEWS

### **TECHNOLOGY UPDATE**

Our school has been fortunate enough to begin the process of purchasing Google Chromebooks for students to work on in our classrooms. This was done through state technology funding and the generous donation of a special benefactor.

### **CHARACTER BUILDING PROGRAMS**

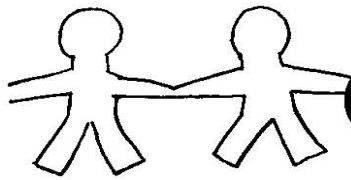
Our students are participating in two character building programs that we received via grants. Students are learning coping skills, stress strategies, as well as utilizing their various sources of strength including family, teachers, and faith!

### **100<sup>th</sup> GRADUATING CLASS**

We will be graduating our 100<sup>th</sup> class from our school this June.

### **SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

We are anticipating an increase in enrollment and encourage parishioners to register early for the 2015-2016 school year.



# ORGANIZATIONS & SOCIETIES

## ~ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION ~

### AWARDS BANQUET

The Athletic Association will be celebrating a successful year with our annual awards banquet on Saturday, April 11, at 6 P.M. We would like to thank all of the families and individuals who came together and gave a tremendous effort and shared their time to help make this year a success.

## ~ HOLY NAME SOCIETY ~

### NIGHT WATCH

On Holy Thursday (April 2) we invite all men from the parish to join us for an hour of Night Watch.

We ask all men whose last name begins with a letter between "A" and "M" to attend our first hour, which starts at 10 P.M. We ask all men whose last name begins with a letter between "N" and "Z" to attend our second hour, which starts at 11 P.M.

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS' BANQUET

On Thursday, April 16, the Middlesex County Federation of HNS has arranged to honor all of our Spiritual Directors with a banquet. This annual event will begin at 7 P.M. at The Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Hall. The church is located at 531 Washington Avenue in South Amboy.

Each ticket for the banquet is priced at \$20. Tickets are available for purchase by calling Chris Bardsley at 732-967-6316 or John Godowski at 732-257-3547. All HNS members who purchase a ticket and attend the banquet will have the price of their ticket refunded.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY FEDERATION MEETINGS

As of March 8, the dates and places of the June and September Middlesex County Federation of HNS meetings have not been posted on the Diocesan Union Web site.

### ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The HNS is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City on the first Thursday of each month. The bus leaves from the Saint Stan's parking lot at 11:00 A.M.

To reserve and confirm your seat, please call Roman at 732-254-5352. Our HNS deeply thanks you. Please see the newsletter calendar for dates.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our monthly meetings begin at 7 P.M. in our church basement meeting room. Refreshments will be provided. Please see the newsletter calendar for dates.

### MONTHLY CORPORATE COMMUNION

Our monthly corporate communion, Rosary for World Peace, and breakfast on the dates of April 12, May 17, and June 14 are open to all individuals attending 9 A.M. Mass. The Mass and Rosary will be a combined corporate communion with the RAS on April 12.

### A TRIP BACK IN TIME

Below is a piece of the diary of Frank M. Lajewski, Sr. (1905-1983), a parishioner and HNS member, who documented many of our church's historical moments.

*"Father [Jan] Pawlowski [helped to] provide buildings to meet the needs of the congregation and final resting place for the departed."*

~ HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ~

**SHOPAROO FUNDRAISER**

The HSA is still participating in the Shoparoo fundraiser. We would like to thank everyone who has participated in donating receipts every week. We have earned over \$200 so far this school year and we are still snapping pictures of receipts from any grocery store, supercenter, club store, dollar store, drugstore, beauty/health store, convenience mart, pet store, toy store, or liquor store. For non-grocery receipts, we now earn entries into Shoparoo's monthly and end-of-school-year sweepstakes.

If you would like to help us, you can join our group by downloading the application on your smartphone, iPad, or Google Play for Android devices. You can also participate by placing your receipts in the Shoparoo boxes located by the church exits, in the church lobby, or the school.



The receipts must be within 14 days of purchase and you can cross out any identifying information on the receipt. You can also log onto [www.shoparoo.com](http://www.shoparoo.com) for more information or contact Gina Rispoli at 732-432-8361. Currently, we have over 70 supporters snapping away. We hope you will join us!

~ ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY ~

**ELVIS TRIBUTE SHOW**

On Saturday, May 16, relive your memories at the Elvis Tribute Show with Craig Newell, who has been a headliner in Las Vegas for 7 years. The doors for the show will open at 6 P.M., the buffet dinner starts at 6:30 P.M., and the show starts at 8 P.M.

Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased on the weekends of April 25 & 26, May 2 & 3, and May 9 & 10 after 7:30 A.M. Mass and before and after all other masses. Tickets are also for sale at the Parish Office. Please reserve your spot early.

**FAMILY ROSARY**

On Wednesday, May 20, all parishioners are invited to attend our Family Rosary event at 7 P.M. Following the event, refreshments will be provided in the school cafeteria.

**MASS AND BREAKFAST WITH HNS**

On Sunday, April 12, we will have a combined Mass and breakfast with the HNS. In addition to the Mass and breakfast, we will have a short meeting.

~ PRAYER GROUP ~

Our twice-a-month prayer group meets at 7:00 P.M. in our Church Chapel.

***Special Intentions for the  
"St. Stanislaus Kostka Prayer Group"***

Please pray for:

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Please deposit prayer intentions in the collection basket or designated box in the church lobby.

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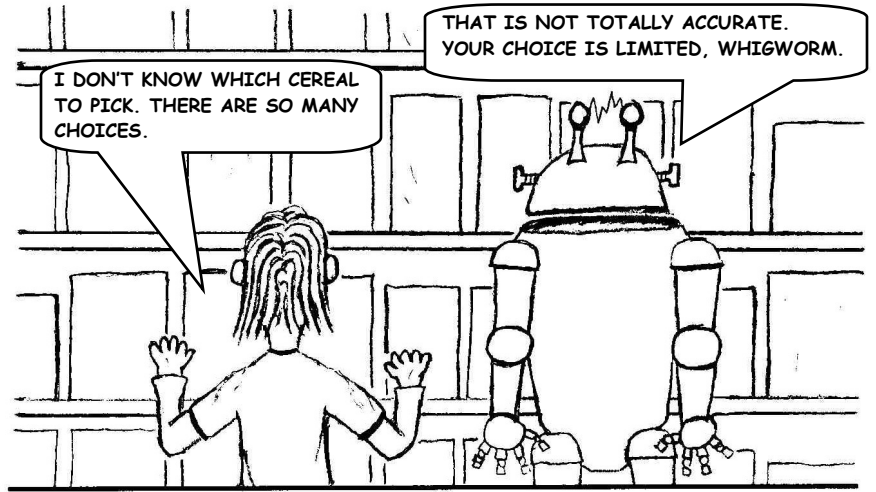
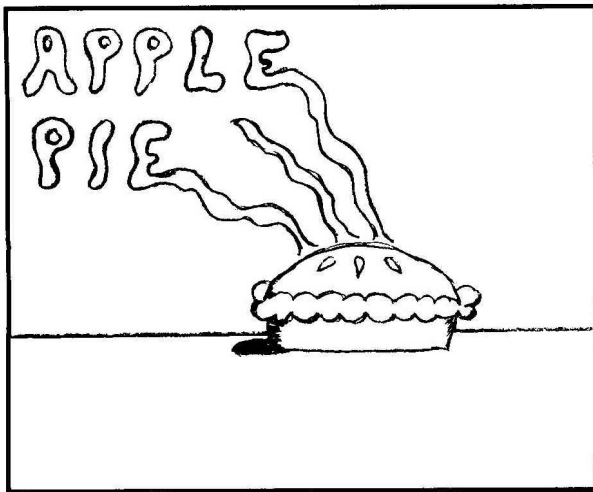
Listed below are abbreviations that are used in our newsletter:

**AA** – Athletic Association  
**HNS** – Holy Name Society

**HSA** – Home School Association

**RAS** – Rosary-Altar Society

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