



# SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

## *Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa*

### IN POLONIA

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#### PARISH CLERGY

#### DUCHOWIEŃSTWO PARAFIALNE

Father Mark Miller • Pastor.....fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com  
 Deacon Jim Sniadajewski.....dcn.jim@sacredheartpolonia.com  
 You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non-emergency situations by calling the parish office number 715-600-6942 at any time of the day.

#### PARISH OFFICE

#### BIURO PARAFIALNA

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am–3:00pm  
 Friday: 9:00am–1:00pm • Closed on Wednesdays  
 • Please note that the parish office will be closed daily from 11:15-11:45am for lunch.

#### PARISH STAFF

#### PRACOWNICY PARAFII

Administrative Assistant.....Susanna Lepak ext. 100  
 School Principal.....Dawn Cisewski ext. 160  
 Basement Kitchen.....Barb Lepak (715-600-0396)  
 Coordinator of Religious Ed.....Debbie Riske (715-340-4626)  
 CCD@sacredheartpolonia.com

#### CONFESSION

#### SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTE

Thursday: 7:30am–8:00am Friday: 7:30am–8:00am  
 Saturday: 2:45pm–3:45pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

#### ADORATION

#### ADORACJA EUCHARYSTYCZNA

Thursday: 7:00am–8:00am  
 Friday: 7:00am–8:00am at Saint Mary's in Custer  
 First Friday: 8:45am–3:00pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

#### BAPTISM PREPARATION

#### CHRZEST

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism class and request a date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION

#### MAŁŻEŃSTWO

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### MSZE ŚWIĘTE

##### Monday, March 31 – Feria

##### Tuesday, April 1 – Feria

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart  
 †Richard Konkol by Paul & Nancy Domaszek

##### Wednesday, April 2 – St. Francis of Paola

8:15am Mass—St. Mary's  
 †John Bronk by Grandkids & Great Grandkids  
 6:15pm Stations of the Cross—Sacred Heart

##### Thursday, April 3 – Feria

7:00–8:00am Adoration—Sacred Heart  
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—Sacred Heart  
 8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart  
 †Raymond Gagas by Family

##### Friday, April 4 – St. Isidore

No Adoration—St. Mary's ← Please note  
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—St. Mary's  
 8:15am Mass—St. Mary's  
 †Conroy Soik by The Soik Family  
 8:45am Silent Adoration—St. Mary's  
 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/Closing Benediction—St. Mary's

Please note : No Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart

##### Saturday, April 5 – St. Vincent Ferrer

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart (Collective Intention)  
 †Lorraine Wroblewski by Bernard & Marlene Schulist  
 †Raymond Gagas by LeRoy & Pat Wierzba  
 †Gladys Lepak by Family  
 †Evelyn Jurgella by Nancy Dulak  
 Special Family Intentions  
 2:45–3:45pm Confession—Sacred Heart  
 4:00pm Anticipatory Mass—Sacred Heart  
 Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parish Families

##### Sunday, April 6 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:25am Stations of the Cross—St. Mary's  
 8:00am Mass—St. Mary's  
 †Myron & Frances Soik by The Soik Family  
 10:00am Mass—Sacred Heart  
 †Jerry Shroda by Lori Shroda

Mass Time  
Change

**A WORD FROM FATHER**

**SŁOWO OD PASTORA**



*Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus while before Your face I humbly kneel and, with burning soul, pray and beseech You to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity; true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment. While I contemplate, with great love and tender pity, Your five most precious wounds, pondering over them within me and calling to mind the words which David, Your prophet, said to You, my Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet, they have numbered all My bones." Amen. (Prayer before a crucifix)*

**Dear Parishioners:**

I hope you are doing well, and that your Lent has been fruitful. Just a reminder that this year's annual appeal ends June 30th. Our assessment for this year is \$52,150. Right now we are at 75% of our goal! Thank you to all who have contributed. If you have not contributed yet, please do so. Remember that any monies that still need to be paid by the end of the appeal are paid for out of parish funds. The parish receives a bill and a check is then written. If we have donations beyond the assessment, we get that money back. Thank you for your help in this matter.

On a separate note, as we can all see the Stations of the Cross are in need of repainting. We've had some very generous donations from individuals and groups to help cover the cost, but certainly not all of it. (The total estimated cost will be \$50,000) Looking at our projections for the "Heart Speaks to Heart" Campaign, and given the costs for Phase II there is a possibility that we will have excess funds from that campaign. Those monies could then be used to help cover the station donation shortfall for repainting the stations. However, the Stations WERE NOT part of the original campaign case statement. So to be fair to all who donated money to the campaign, if you still have pledges to be redeemed and you DO NOT want your money to go to repaint the stations, please let the office know and they will remain in the Heart Speaks to Heart Account to be used strictly for the original campaign items of painting, sound system, and flooring.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**PROŚBY MODLITEWNE**

Let us remember the following in our daily prayers:

Austin James, Brittany Olivia, JD Wysocki, Dave Grawey, Megan Rose, Jennifer Lepak, Agnes Milanowski, Ernie Kurszewski, Jerry Lepak, Theresa Pliska, Vanessa Lawson, Randy Schulist, Dorothy Gagas, Frank Kurszewski, Ronald Trzebiatowski, Newton Family, Gail Tepp, Rhody Bushman, Leonard Schulist, Bruce & Patt Roberts, Taylor Groshek, Betty Kowalski, Karen Liebe, Kenny Rozek

*If you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.*

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

**NAMASZCZENIE CHRZYCH**

Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long time should receive the Sacraments. Please call the parish to make arrangements or to schedule a non-emergency visit for those who are sick or homebound.

**LAST WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT**

**DAROWIZNY**

Adults: \$4,087  
Loose: \$339  
Youth: \$5  
Total: \$4,431  
Vigil Lights: \$141  
Easter Flowers: \$35  
School Donations: \$100  
Boiler Fund: \$1,348  
Renovation Fund: \$600

Mar Budget: \$23,740  
Mar to Date: \$22,745

*"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."* -Hebrews 13:16



Scrip: \$2,375 | \$81

**1 CORINTHIANS 3:9** DIOLC.ORG/COWORKER

"For we are co-workers; you are God's field, God's building."  
1 Corinthians 3:9

GOAL	<b>\$52,150</b>
PLEGGED AND RECEIVED	<b>\$39,038 (75%)</b>
# OF DONORS	<b>120</b>

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**POSŁUGI LITURGICZNE**

**Altar Server**

April 5: 4:00 pm Gavin E. & Luke  
April 6: 10:00 am Andrew, Lucas & Jackson

**Hospitality**

April 5: 4:00 pm Volunteer Ushers  
April 6: 10:00 am Volunteer Ushers

**Readers**

April 5: 4:00 pm Donna Zaborowski  
April 6: 10:00 am Connie Lepak

**Wellington**

April 3: Deb Riske

**SACRED HEART NEWS • OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE**

**Youth Choir.** All youth ages 7 and up are welcome to join Mrs. Eron on Saturday, April 5th at the 4:00pm anticipatory Mass for the next youth choir opportunity. If you are interested, just come up to the choir loft by 3:45 pm. All voices are welcome!



**PCCW meeting minutes** from March are available at the entrances of the church.



**Blessed Candles.** A reminder that blessed candles for home use can be found at the elevator entrance of the church. A suggested \$3.00 donation is appreciated to help cover the cost. Father is always able to bless personal candles for devotional use at home as well. ~ Thank you



**Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers** are extended to the entire family and friends of Alice Wierzba. Alice passed away on Friday, March 21st and will be laid to rest on Wednesday, April 2nd. May we continue to pray for the happy repose of her soul and for the comfort of her family during this difficult time.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.  
And let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May she rest in peace. Amen. May her soul  
and the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



**Reminder.** Mass at Sacred Heart will be celebrated at a different time on Sunday, April 6th. Mass at St. Mary's—Custer will begin at 8:00am, while Mass at Sacred Heart will begin at 10:00am. Following Mass that morning, St. Mary's will have their annual pancake breakfast.



**Stations of the Cross** will be on Wednesday, April 2nd at 6:15pm at Sacred Heart and on Sunday, April 6th at 7:25am at St. Mary's. The Sacred Heart School students will not be praying stations this week due to not having school on Friday. The last

Stations of the Cross for the school students will be on Friday, April 11th at 2:00pm. Anyone is welcome to attend.



**Senior Bingo** will be on Thursday, April 10th following the morning Mass. If you plan on staying for lunch, please contact Barb Lepak at 715-600-0396.

**The Women's Book Club of Sacred Heart.**

We will meet in the church basement from 7:15-9:00pm. Call or text Theresa Glavin with any questions 715-321-4464. The next meeting is Monday, April 7th. Check it out!



**AREA PENANCE**

**POKUTA OBSZAROWA**

**Area Lenten Communal Penance Opportunities:**

- April 3rd at 6:30pm at St. Joseph, Stevens Point
- April 8th at 6:30pm at Holy Spirit, Stevens Point
- April 10th at 6:30pm at St. Bronislava, Plover

**RELIGIOUS ED NEWS**

**AKTUALNOŚCI KATECHIZMU**

**Wednesday, April 2nd.** Classes begin with Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:15pm. Parents—please stay and join us!

**The benefit of buying scrip!** Recently, due to the ongoing expense of having to continually repair the parish walk-in cooler, the decision was made to upgrade to a new cooler. The walk-in cooler is used for the school lunch program, parish events, funerals, and basically anytime food/beverages are required to be kept refrigerated. The Home & School Association generously donated 50% (\$10,500) toward the cost of the new cooler using the scrip profit fund. A huge THANK YOU to everyone who supports the scrip program by purchasing scrip gift cards after Mass or at the parish office. You are truly assisting the financial needs of the parish and school. Remember, purchasing scrip gift cards is so easy and it costs you absolutely nothing. As an example, if you purchase a \$100 Metro Market gift card, you pay \$100 and receive a \$100 card. The parish earns money through the program by initially purchasing the gift card at a discounted rate from the vendor. There are literally hundreds of vendors who participate in this program. Stop by the scrip table after Mass or contact the parish office with any questions. Buying scrip gift cards is by far the easiest fundraising activity we can all participate in!

**Cemetery Care - Now Hiring!** Sacred Heart Parish is now accepting applications for a Cemetery Groundskeeper position. This position will be responsible for the mowing, trimming and grounds upkeep of the Sacred Heart cemetery. If you are interested in this part-time position please see the job description on the parish website [www.sacredheartpolonia.com/employment](http://www.sacredheartpolonia.com/employment) for more details and send an email to the parish office ([parishoffice@sacredheartpolonia.com](mailto:parishoffice@sacredheartpolonia.com)) to express your interest.

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

**WIECZNA LAMPKA**

There are many openings for donations to have the sanctuary lamp burn in memory of a departed family member or members. By offering a \$100 donation to have the lamp burn each week, the presence of Christ in the tabernacle will be indicated, the love and affection of the faithful for Christ will be professed, and the offering and prayers of the donor will be kept in mind. The name(s) of the deceased will be printed in the bulletin. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

**PARISH MEETINGS**

**SPOTKANIA PARAFIALNE**



**Holy Name Society.** Sunday, April 6th @ 11:00am—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.



**Home and School.** Thursday, April 10th @ 6:00pm— Sacred Heart School.



**PCCW.** Monday, April 14th @ 1:00pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

**Picnic Committee Meeting.** Tuesday, April 29th @ 6:30pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

**SCHOOL NEWS • WIADOMOŚCI SZKOLNE**

**AREA EVENTS • WYDARZENIA LOKALNE**

**CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE**

GIVE YOUR CHILDREN THE BEST START AT SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**IT'S THAT TIME! OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Take the first step toward a lifetime of learning at Sacred Heart Catholic School. We partner with parents to provide a Christ-centered education that builds strong minds, faithful hearts and confident leaders. With small class sizes and caring teachers, your child will thrive academically and spiritually. Invest in their future - schedule a tour today!

- Come meet our teachers.
- Explore our school.
- Examine the curriculum.
- Discover the difference!



**"That Man Is You"** is every Tuesday starting with breakfast at 6:00am, followed by a video presentation and small group discussion, ending at 7:30am. Come to one meeting....or several. It's never too late!



**Gazebo/Convent Gift Shop.** Are you looking for a First Communion dress? The Polonia Convent gift shop has some in stock. Please leave a message at 715-592-4213. We'll give you a call back to arrange a time for you to visit and view the dresses, which are made in Wisconsin by a local Catholic dressmaker. Additionally, as long as the sidewalk is free of snow, the Gazebo gift shop is open from dawn until dusk. Polish Easter cards available for a few weeks. Enjoy browsing!

**St. Adalbert Catholic School Fundraiser Event.** Strings for Kids featuring The Jerry Schmidt Band located at the Rosholt Fairgrounds on April 5th, doors open at 7:00pm and music begins at 8:00pm. A night of live music and dancing. \$40 advance ticket, \$50 at the door, 8 seat VIP table \$500. For questions call 715-677-4519 or parish@rosholtcatholic.org.

**St. Ladislaus** invites you to "Spaghetti Night" on Saturday, April 12th from 4:45—7:00pm. Cost for adults \$12, 5-12 \$7, 4 and under free.

**The Stevens Point Deanery** will again sponsor a bus trip to the Chrism Mass, with St. Joseph Parish being the host parish. This trip will take place on Tuesday, April 15th, with departure/return from the St. Joe's parking lot. This is an excellent opportunity for all parishioners of the Stevens Point Deanery to attend the Chrism Mass. For more information or to access the online registration form go to our website at [www.PointCatholicFaith.org/chrism](http://www.PointCatholicFaith.org/chrism).

**AREA EVENTS • WYDARZENIA LOKALNE**



**Dear friends,** I have been blessed to get to know many of you over the past years. I would like to share with you some great news: With the blessing of Bishop Gerard Battersby, we have begun the "Seraphic Sodality of the Child Jesus" so that we may be united in spirit in adoring our Little Eucharistic King. For all of you who are concerned about the state of our country and our world, or those who would simply desire to grow closer to our beloved Lord, we invite you to join us in prayerful adoration. We desire to raise an army of adorers to pray for our world, our families, our priests and to console His Sacred Heart! Please join us in this beautiful work of LOVE! If you would like more information, please go to our website at <https://seraphicadorers.com/spiritual/sodality>.

**St. Stephen Parish** will host a Lenten Mission with Fr. Derek Sakowski on March 30, 31, and April 1. Each night will be held at St. Stephen, 1401 Clark St., Stevens Point, and begin at 6:30 p.m.

**St. Bronislava Holy Name Society's** "All You Can Eat Breakfast" will be held Sunday, April 6, 2025 from 8:30am to 11:30am.

**POLONIA PARK EASTER EGG HUNT. SAVE THE DATE - SAT, APRIL 19th, 2025.** Attention all egg hunters 10 years old and younger. The event begins at noon & egg hunt at 1:00pm at the Polonia Park. Bring your own chair. Food & beverages for sale. Don't miss the basket raffles! All proceeds benefit the park.

BENEFIT FOR  
**TAYLOR**  
(DAVIDSON) GROSHEK

**SATURDAY JUNE 28TH**

HIDDEN WATERS GOLF COURSE  
WAUPACA

STARTING AT 11AM

# RESTORATION UPDATE

## 3/30/25

We are pleased to announce that our church restoration will be progressing to Phase II.

Work to be completed during Phase II:

- Plaster work repair in church nave.
- Completion of the decorative painting in the church nave.
- Repair and touch up of the Stations of the Cross and bases.
- Replacement of ceiling fans.
- Completion of sound upgrade which includes new speakers.

The *tentative* schedule for Phase II is as follows:

4/28/25 – 5/2/25 Scaffold set up

5/5/25 – 7/28/25 Conrad Schmitt Studios will begin cover and prep, plaster repair and painting.

Week of 7/28/25 Scaffolding to come down.

Week of 8/4/25 cleaning and reopening of church proper

During this time, Masses will again be held in the basement. We appreciate your understanding and patience. We hope everyone is looking forward with excitement to the beautiful completion of our church interior!

- Sacred Heart Restoration committee

# APRIL 2025

Please pray some kind of prayer for the priest listed  
each day. ~ *Thank you so much!*

CALENDAR MONTH	APRIL
CALENDAR YEAR	2025
1ST DAY OF WEEK	SUNDAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		Pope Francis	Bp. Battersby	Fr. Francis Diaz	Msgr. Joseph Dienmeier	Fr. Billy Dodge
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fr. Clayton Elmhorst	Fr. Emmanuel Faniyeh	Fr. William Felix	Fr. Victor Feltes	Fr. James Genovesi	Fr. John Gilbert	Msgr. Richard Gilles
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Msgr. Michael Gorman	Fr. George Graham	Fr. Alan Gumella	Fr. Brandon Guenther	Fr. Jeffrey Hennes	Fr. Fernando Hernandez	Msgr. Joseph Hirsch
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Fr. Jerome Hooser	Fr. Ethan Hokamp	Fr. Aaron Huberfeld	Fr. Thomas Huff	Fr. Wesley Janowski	Msgr. Steven Kachel	Fr. Peter Kieffer
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
Fr. Keith Kitzhaber	Fr. Justin Kizewski	Fr. Michael Klos	Fr. Sebastian Kolodziejczyk			
4	5	Notes				