

ST. CASIMIR’S PARISH

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January 5, 2025

Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Cecylia Pelic

Patricia Popek

Eugenia Radecki

Eternal rest grant them, Lord

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

On the Feast of the Epiphany, the Church offers us to reflect on the Gospel according to St. Matthew, which presents the adoration of the Magi. We recall this important event and those who took so much trouble to find the Child Jesus and pay him homage. It is worth noting that the Magi come to Bethlehem from afar, having covered a considerable distance. They made a great effort to come here despite the hardships, sacrifices and uncertainty. On the other hand, those who live almost next to Bethlehem seem surprised by what they hear from strangers.

BLESSED CHALK

On the feast of the Epiphany, we bless chalk in church, with which – according to an old Polish custom – we trace the first letters of the names of the Wise Men from the East on the doors of our homes: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar (C + M + B), adding the numbers of the year of the Lord. We also translate this record as a request for Christ to bless our home: "Christus mansionem benedicat". Such marking of the doors of our homes is a testimony of faith towards our brothers and sisters.a blessing over our families, our homeland and us.

THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

This Sunday, as part of the celebrations in the universal Church of the Jubilee Year 2025, the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls will be solemnly opened. This is the fourth basilica in Rome in which such a solemn opening of the Holy Door has taken place, in

order to encourage the faithful to make pilgrimages to the churches of Rome and other holy places designated in the dioceses and to draw the grace of indulgence, which can be obtained during this exceptional holy time.

STATISTICS OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

There are 1,739 families registered in the parish register. Last year we had 24 baptisms, 12 weddings, 63 funerals, 10 children received their First Holy Communion, 6 young people received the sacrament of confirmation, Fathers made about 250 pastoral visits to the sick. Our community is large, so let us take care of ourselves, respect each other and above all strive for the development of spiritual life in our families and the Polish community.

PARISH DINNER “OPLATEK”

Today is the parish wafer. There are no more tickets. We would like to thank Mrs. Stefania Baran and her entire team of volunteers for preparing a delicious dinner.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the liturgical season of Christmas.

THE ALTAR

The base of the altar for the celebration of Holy Mass is made of marble, while the altar itself, i.e. the slab, was made of wood. Thanks to the idea and sponsorship of Adam Waligora, the altar slab on which we celebrate Holy Mass and services is currently made of beautiful stone, matching the color scheme of the whole. A great God Bless the Waligora family.

THANKS AND GRATITUDE...

We sincerely thank Mr. Marian Turczynski for his work on installing new electrical wires in the rooms of the Polish School and installing new lighting. Mr. Stanislaw Cop is bravely assisting him. In the rooms of the Polish School we have to replace the entire electrical installation, the current wires are very old and covered with material, which is unacceptable in a public building. We would also like to thank Jozef Stepien, Stanislaw Roszak, Edward Milewski and many, many other volunteers for their comprehensive daily help for the parish. God bless you!

POLISH SCHOOL & CATEHESIS

We kindly inform you that the Polish School of St. Casimir and catechesis has a Christmas break until January 4, 2024 inclusive. Students return to regular classes on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2025 may be picked up at the back of the church; they are arranged in alphabetical order. Parishioners using envelopes for their donations are eligible to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. The tax receipts will be sent in February.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORE

Pilgrimage to Medjugore with the Warriors of Mary and the Catholic Pilgrimage Agency "FLIGHT WITH MARY" under the spiritual care of Fr. Pawel Pilarczyk, OMI, from April 21 to 30, 2025 Marzena (647) 284-1631 Małgorzata (416) 859-8469

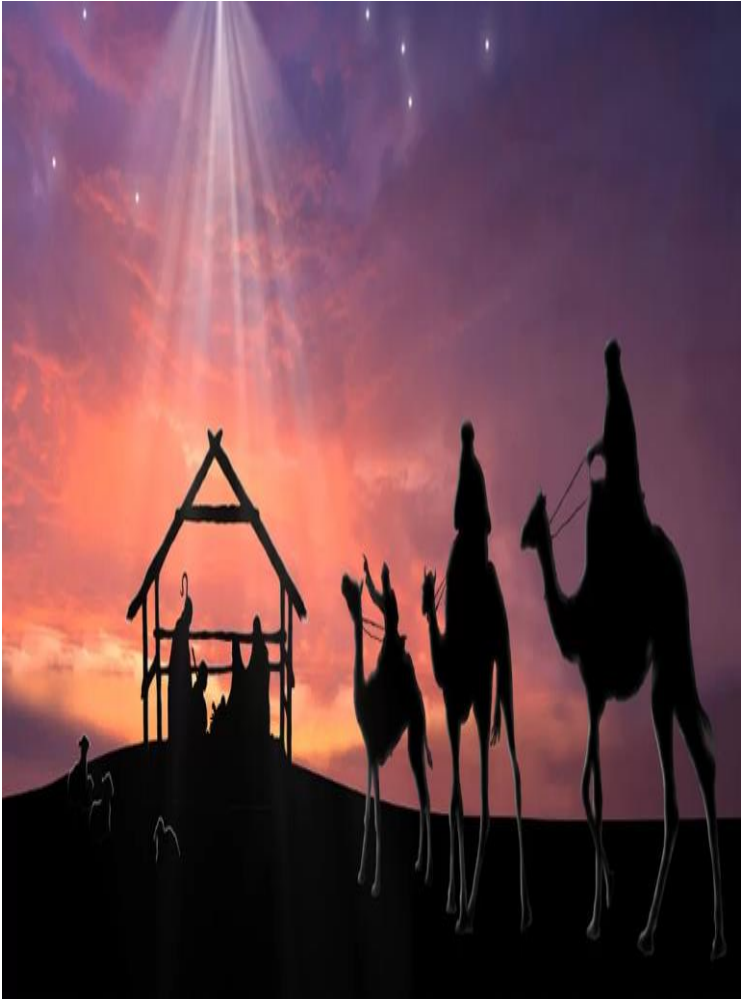
CALENDARS FOR 2025

The calendars for next year are available in the parish hall or in the parish office.

MASS INTENSIONS

We inform you about possibility of ordering Mass intentions at the Oblate Missions in the parish office.

We thank you for ordering the Gregorian Masses. Anyone who wants to order Gregorian Mass please contact the parish office.



MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

Epiphany of the Lord
Sunday, January 5
8:00 For the members of the Holy Rosary Society
9:30 In thanksgiving asking for God’s blessing for Artur on his birthday - mother
11:00 For parishioners
13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God’s blessing & care of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the birthday - own
19:00 For + Teresa, Eugeniusz, Cecylia & Jozef – children

MONDAY, January 6
8:00 For + Wladyslaw & Emilia and Zofia & Wladyslaw – daughter Bronislawa
19:00 For the lectors & extraordinary ministers of the Holy Communion of the St. Casimir’s Parish

TUESDAY, January 7
8:00 For deceased from the Sudol family - own
19:00 For God’s blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for Jola Gruca & her family – mother

WEDNESDAY, January 8
8:00 For deceased from the Lisowski family – Piotr Sudol
19:00 For + Regina Soltysik (4th anniversary) – Jolanta

THURSDAY, January 9
8:00 For + Jozef Kajmowicz – daughter Wanda with family
19:00 For + Antoni Stachulak & Antoni Stachulak – husband & son

FRIDAY, January 10
8:00 For + Jozef Sudol – son with family
19:00 For + Ewa dyki – husband & son

SATURDAY, January 11
8:00 For + Antonina Koziara - daughter
19:00 For + Efrem, Helena & Roman Szudy & deceased from the Szudy family – family

Baptism of the Lord
Sunday, January 12
8:00 For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus society
9:30 For + Maria & Karol Malkowicz – children with families
11:00 For parishioners
13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God’s blessing & light of the Holy Spirit for son - father
19:00 For + Irena Labik - family