



We are a welcoming Roman Catholic Parish that cherishes the Polish heritage of our founders and celebrates the diversity of all who enter, thus striving to give glory to God through worship and service to the community.

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Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord – January 8, 2017

LITURGY SCHEDULE / ROZKLAD MSZY SW.

Saturday, Sobota, January 7

4:30 p.m. † Stephen Noga *int. Family*

Sunday, Niedziela, January 8

9:00 a.m. † Virginia & † John Freas *int. Ken & Maureen Krol*

11:00 a.m. † Edward Sroczyński *int. Friends*

Monday, Poniedziałek, January 9

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (*G. Sliwka*)

Tuesday, Wtorek, January 10

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (*Zajac*)

Wednesday, Środa, January 11

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (*Novotny*)

Thursday, Czwartek, January 12

7:30 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Barbara Church

Friday, Piątek, January 13

7:30 a.m. † Janet Montgomery *int. Edward Montgomery*

Saturday, Sobota, January 14

4:30 p.m. † Frank & † Jozefa Marszalek & † Christine Bellar
int. Family

Sunday, Niedziela, January 15

9:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Barbara Church

11:00 a.m. † Andrzej Rapacz *int. Family*



ALL MASSES are in English except the 11:00 Sunday mass which is in Polish. CONFESSIONS are heard in English every Saturday before the Vigil Mass, from 3:45 to 4:15 p.m. and in Polish every Sunday before the 11:00 a.m. Polish mass.

Today we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord



THE THREE KINGS – TRZECH KROLI

Chalk and water will be blessed at Mass. A sheet with prayers and instructions for the traditional Polish home blessing ceremony will be also be available so that you can bless your home and make the traditional inscription of the Three Kings – Trzech Krol.

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The generosity of our Parishioners & Friends has brought St. Barbara Church the following:

New Year's & the Solemnity of Mary,
 Offerings & Gifts - \$2,410 (96 envelopes)
 Additional for Christmas - \$255 (5 envelopes)
 Maintenance Fund - \$1,039 (21 envelopes)

Thank you! Dziękuję bardzo!

Thanks to all who gave donations in their weekend and Holy Day envelopes

Prayer List

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill and all who are in need of our prayers:

Philip Adams, Renette Armstrong, Dennis Balis, Phyllis Bobko, Sarah Burket, Loretta Budzinski, Phyllis Cielec, Donna Cuevas, Tom Curtan, Jean Fabian, Elizabeth Gannon, Marcy Hill, Bill Himes, Jr., Robert & Shannon Gibbons, Joan Kalemba, Ann Marie Lusnek, Rosemary Maier, Dorothy Noga, Doris Wojton, Robert & Shirley Orahoske, Martha Plonski, Gertraud Sliwka, Dora Wołowicz, Włodzimierz Wrobel, Anna Zakarowsky

FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Our theme for 2017 is:

Let us be concerned for each other, to stir a response in love and good works.

- Hebrews 10:24



Some gifts are not found wrapped under the Christmas tree. The gifts of love and caring for our family, neighbors and those in need, should be given all year round. Ask God for wisdom to recognize the gifts of service and witness that the Holy Spirit has given to you. Then commit to finding ways to use those gifts in the church and the world.

BISHOP LENNON RETIRES

On December 28 it was announced that **Bishop Richard Lennon** has been granted early retirement status. Bishop Lennon made the request for early retirement in a letter to Pope Francis in late November citing his ongoing health challenges as the reason for his decision to retire.

Bishop Daniel Edward Thomas, Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo, has been appointed by the Pope to be the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Cleveland. As Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Thomas was chosen to administer the affairs of the Diocese of Cleveland until such time that the Holy Father makes a permanent appointment. While overseeing the governance of the Diocese of Cleveland, Bishop Thomas will continue serving in his role as Bishop of Toledo.



Bishop Thomas

We have a Cleveland connection with Bishop Thomas as he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 1985 by Cleveland native, John Cardinal Krol.

POINSETTIAS & HOLIDAY CLEAN UP

Poinsettias that were donated may be picked up **THIS WEEKEND, January 7-8, after the Masses**. Someone will be available to help retrieve the poinsettias for you.

PARISH GUILD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall

The St. Barbara's Parish Guild will be moving their meetings to the first Tuesday evening of the month starting in February 2017. The exception will be our January meeting which will be held on Tuesday January 10 at 7:00 p.m. due to the holidays.

If any parishioners are interested in helping us in the coming year you are more than welcome to attend our next meeting. *Thank you for your support!*

FROM THE PARISH GUILD: Save the Date 2/4/17



The Annual "SOUPER BOWL" Event & Parish Raffle, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

The St. Barbara Parish Guild invites everyone to the **SOUPER BOWL** event **Saturday February 4 at 5:30 p.m.** (after the Saturday Vigil Mass). There will be a variety of soups, salads, rolls, refreshments and deserts. **This event is FREE.**

Highlight of the evening will be the drawing for the **Parish Raffle** • 1st prize, \$1,000 • 2nd prize, \$500 • 3rd prize, \$250 • 4th prize, \$200 • 5th prize, \$100. The Guild is also planning to have 50/50 sideboard raffles.

RAFFLE TICKETS for the Drawing Are Now Available.

Envelopes for each Parish household containing six books (6 tickets in a book) to buy or to sell, have been placed in alphabetical order on the table near the west side entrance to our church. **PLEASE PICK UP your envelope.** If you can help deliver envelopes to parishioners who may live near you but are not able to come to Mass that would also be helpful.

This raffle is the Parish Guild's major fund raising event for the year and your support is greatly needed and appreciated!

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, January 14-15

Next weekend, we will be taking up the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America**. Your support will enable Catholic University to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation.

PASTERKA

This Sunday, **January 8, 2017** at 3:00 p.m. the traditional Polish Christmas Liturgy **PASTERKA** will be celebrated on at **Nativity of the BVM Church**, 418 West 15th Street in Lorain, Ohio. Free admission and open to everyone. For information, call 440-258-5231 or 440-826-0226.



TRADITIONAL POLISH HOME BLESSING CEREMONY

All make the sign of the cross. In the name of + the Father and of + the Son and of + the Holy Spirit, Amen. / W imie Ojca i Syna i Ducha Swietego. Amen.

Several prayers and invocations are offered.

May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us;
and may we seek and serve,
in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Panie, nasz Boże, pobłogosław ten dom. Daj nam zdrowie, dobroć, łagodność i utrzymanie
swojego prawa. Dziękujemy Ci, Ojcze, Synu i Duchu Świątym,
teraz i na wieki. Amen.

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation
by the guidance of a star.
Bless this house and all who inhabit it.

Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Everyone then processes from one room to another. Blessed water may be carried and sprinkled, as may be blessed incense. The doorway of each room may be marked: 20 + K + M + B + 17

When all return to the starting place, they join in the Lord's Prayer (Ojcze Nasz) (All make the sign of the cross): Amen.

The blessing concludes with an appropriate song, such as "We Three Kings" or "Medrcy Swiata."

