



# St. Joseph R.C. Church

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January 22, 2023  
Third Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Trzecia Niedziela Zwykła

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## SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL CELEBRATION

### HOLY MASSES/ MSZE ŚWIĘTE:

**Saturday:** 7:00 AM (Polish), 5:00 PM (English)  
**Sunday:** 7:30 AM (Polish), 9:00 AM, (English),  
11:00 AM (Polish), 6:00 PM (Polish)  
**Holy Day :** 7:30 (Polish), 11:00 AM (Polish),  
6:00 PM (Polish)  
**Weekday:** 6:30 AM (Polish) + Special occasions  
**2nd Wednesday:** 6:30 AM (St. John Paul II & Novena to  
Our Lady Undoer of Knots)  
**2nd Wednesday:** 6 PM (Healing Mass)  
**1st Friday:** 6 PM (& Adoration)  
**3rd Friday:** 6:00 PM (& Holy Hour)

### CONFESSIONS/ SPOWIEDŹ:

**Saturday:** 4:00 PM - 4:55 PM  
**Daily:** 15 minutes before Mass  
**Holy Days:** During Mass  
**First Friday:** 5:30 to 5:55 PM

### BAPTISMS/ CHRZEST:

Every Sunday, except for Lent, at 12:00 Noon, by prior arrangements at the Rectory  
W każdą niedzielę, z wyjątkiem Wielkiego Postu, o 12:00 PM po uprzednim ustaleniu terminu w Kancelarii Parafialnej

### MARRIAGES/ MAŁŻEŃSTWO:

Contact the priest one year in advance.  
Należy ustalić z księdzem na rok przed ślubem

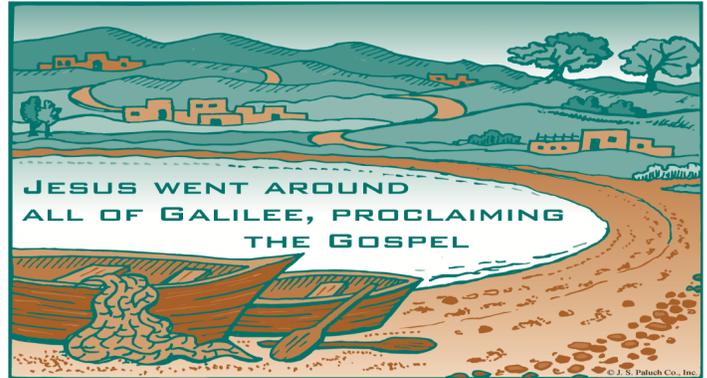
### SICK CALLS/ WIZYTA CHORYCH:

Any time; day or night, call or pick up the priest at the Rectory.

### FUNERALS/ POGRZEBY:

The Funeral Home Director is asked to call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Dyrektor Domu Pogrzebowego jest proszony o kontakt z Kancelarią Parafialną w celu ustalenia daty pogrzebu.



### DEVOTIONS/ NABOŻEŃSTWA:

**To St. John Paul II  
& Novena to Our Lady  
Undoer of Knots** 2nd Wednesday at 7 AM  
**Do Św. Jana Pawła II  
i do MB Rozwiązującej  
Węzły Życia** Druga Środa m-ca o 7 AM  
**Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament** 1st Friday after Mass at 6 PM  
**Adoracja Najświętszego  
Sakramentu** Pierwszy Piątek m-ca o 6 PM  
**Chaplet of the Divine Mercy  
Koronka do Miłosierdzia  
Bożego** Fridays before Mass at 6 PM  
Piątki przed Mszą Św. o 6 PM  
**Prayers for healing  
Modlitwy o uzdrowienie** 2nd Wednesday of month at 6 PM  
2-ga Środa Miesiąca 6 PM  
**Novena to Our Lady  
of Częstochowa  
Nowenna do Matki Bożej  
Częstochowskiej** Saturdays after Mass at 7 AM  
Soboty po Mszy Św. o 7 AM  
**Rosary** Monday-Friday after Mass at 6:30 AM  
Saturdays before Mass at 7 AM

### Parish Office Hours/Kancelaria parafialna:

Monday/Pon. -Thursday/Czw. 9:00 am - 2:30 pm  
Friday/Piątek 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Saturday/Sobota: 9:00 am- 12:00 pm  
Sunday/Niedziela: Closed  
Holidays/Święta: Closed



**NIEDZIELA SUNDAY January 29**

**Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time  
Czwarta Niedziela Zwykła**

7:30 am

9:00 am

11:00 am **Za Parafian**

O szczęśliwy przebieg operacji dla Józefa

† Jan Bak

- od synowej  
- od córki z rodziną

6:00 pm † Helena i Paweł Drażek



**Religious Education at St. Joseph Parish  
Catechesis take place at 10 AM after Mass at  
9AM. Classes in the 2022/23 school year:  
January 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March  
5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 16, 23, 30; May 7**



**Child's First  
Reconciliation  
will be held on  
Thursday,  
February 2nd  
at 5:30 PM**

**The 2023 envelopes are available to be picked up.  
The envelopes can be picked up in the back of the  
church after every Mass.**



**Koperty na 2023 r. można już odebrać. Koperty  
są dostępne przy wyjściu z kościoła po każdej  
Mszy św.**

**NIEDZIELA SUNDAY January 22**

**Third Sunday Ordinary Time  
Trzecia Niedziela Zwykła**

7:30 am † Milena Wisniewska (rocznica urodzin)  
- od rodziców

9:00 am

11:00 am **Za Parafian, szczególnie za wszystkie rodziny, które  
przyjęły „Kolebę” - wizytę duszpasterską  
w roku 2022/2023**  
† Michalina, Jan, Mariusz Hendzel  
- od syna i wujka z rodziną

† Halina Płoucha - od brata z rodziną

† Bożena Fila - od brata z rodziną

† Henryk Śmietana - od córki

† Józefa Gusciora - od dzieci

† Stanisław Chojnacki - od Oksana Heimur z rodziną

6:00 pm † Wojciech i Maria Stanek, i córka Maria  
- od rodziny

**MONDAY PONIEDZIAŁEK January 23**

6:30 am

**TUESDAY WTOREK January 24**

6:30 am

**WEDNESDAY ŚRODA January 25**

6:30 am † Ireneusz Krolikowski - od mamy

**THURSDAY CZWARTEK January 26**

6:30 am † Krystyna Margańska

**FRIDAY PIĄTEK January 27**

6:30 am

6:30 pm  
\*SEMINARIUM ODNOWY WIARY

**SATURDAY SOBOTA January 28**

7:00 am O zdrowie i błogosławieństwo Boże dla Marii i Edwarda  
Majerczak w 39 -tą rocznicę ślubu

5:00 pm † Stanisław Kasica - from children  
† Józef Magiera - from children



PARAFIA ŚW. JÓZEFA W PASSAIC ORAZ  
WSPÓLNOTA ODNOWY W DUCHU ŚW. "SILOE"  
ZAPRASZAJĄ NA:

# SEMINARIUM ODNOWY WIARY

Jeśli w swoim sercu przeżywasz  
tęsknotę za Bogiem,  
jeśli wydaje Ci się że znasz Go za  
mało albo nie znasz Go wcale lub  
jeśli straciłeś sens swojego życia,  
to seminarium jest dla Ciebie!

ROZPOCZĘCIE:

**PIĄTEK, 27 STYCZNIA, 2023  
6.30 PM**

KOŚCIÓŁ ŚW. JÓZEFA, 7 PARKER AVE. PASSAIC, NJ, 07055



**Special English Mass  
for Children preparing  
for their First Holy  
Communion this year,  
takes place on  
Thursday, February  
2nd, 2023 at 6 PM.  
There will also be  
a blessing of their  
Rosaries.**

**Confirmation**



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**Confirmation  
of our students  
presided by  
*Bishop Kevin Sweeney,*  
takes place on  
**Saturday, February  
11th, 2023  
at 5 PM.****



**Msza Święta z modlitwami o łaskę  
uzdrowienia w środę 8 lutego 2023,  
o godzinie 6 pm**

**Saint Andrew**  
by Mateusz Handzelek

Saints are an important part of our religion, like Saint Michael the Archangel and Saint John Paul the second. They all protect us from some form of harm when we pray to them. One of those saints is Saint Andrew. He is the patron for singers, spinsters, maidens, fishmongers, fishermen, and women wanting to be mothers. His story is very interesting, so I'm going to be talking about that now. According to the New Testament, Saint Andrew was born in the village of Bethsaida which is located on the Sea of Galilee. Giving that he was born on the sea, Saint Andrew became a fisherman with his younger brother (who also is a Saint) Simon Peter, regularly going to fish every day. The first time he was mentioned in the Bible was in Matthew 4:18-20. The verses go as follows, "As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

At once they left their nets and followed him." When Andrew saw that Jesus was performing miracles, he knew the man was the Messiah, according to John 1:40-42, which goes as follows: "Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus."

Not much was known about him after, but he was there during the last supper. Since it was Andrew's duty, he went along and spread the gospel around the whole Black Sea and through now modern-day Greece and Turkey. Sadly, this story doesn't have a good ending, since Saint Andrew was martyred. Instead of being nailed to a cross, he said he wanted to be tied to a X-shaped cross since he didn't want to die the same way Jesus died out of respect for him. The story of Saint Andrew is amazing, but that's not the only reason I chose them as my Saint. I chose Saint Andrew, not only because he was just a normal person and became a saint, but the people he helps. The people that he helps like fishermen, women wanting to be mothers, and fishmongers, are less fortunate people who they know can get help from Saint Andrew. He sacrificed his life for Christianity, just so that less fortunate people like him can live a better life. Saint Andrew will help me out with living out my Catholic faith by giving to the less fortunate, the one's who need it. There are many ways that one can help out but offering them things like food and prayers work the best.

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**First collection/Pierwsza taca - 01-15-2023 \$3845.00**

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***St. Anastasia***  
by Julia Zon

St. Anastasia, who is known as Anastasia of Sirmium, is a Christian saint. St. Anastasia is the patron saint of martyrs, weavers, and those suffering from poison (St. Anastasia - Saints & Angels). Her feast day is celebrated on December 25. She is one of the seven women commemorated by name in the Canon of the Mass. Anastasia's father was a noble pagan named Praetextatus and her mother was St. Fausta of Sirmium. Since her mother was a Christian, Anastasia was baptized as an infant and secretly raised with Christian values because her parents didn't want anyone to know. After her mother died, Anastasia's father told her to marry the pagan Publius. She did not have any kids as she kept her virginity. When Anastasia would visit prisoners and take care of the ones that had faith, "she would feed, doctor and ransom suffering captives. Anastasia's servant informed Publius; he locked her up and beat her. Anastasia began secretly corresponding with her adviser, St. Chrysogonus, who had gone to Aquileia. He told her to be brave, be patient and accept the Lord's will" which exemplifies the care Anastasia had on others and how faithful she was (St. Anastasia - Saints & Angels). When her husband died, Anastasia gave everything, like her house, to those less fortunate and suffering. Additionally, Anastasia spent her time traveling from city to city caring for Christian prisoners. She healed their wounds and relieved their pain. She was given the title "Deliverer from Potions," because she would often heal many from the effects of poisons and potions. To add, "Anastasia was arrested in Illyricum. After she was arrested, St. Anastasia set out to care for imprisoned Christians, along with Theodota, a pious young widow and faithful helper. After Theodota was martyred, Anastasia was caught once again. Furthermore, she was ordered to die by starvation and was starved for 60 days, however, Anastasia was not harmed. After this, a judge decided the prisoners, including Anastasia and Eutychianus, would be killed by drowning. They all entered a boat with holes in the base, but St. Theodota appeared to them and steered the boat to shore. Once they landed, Anastasia and Eutychianus baptized 120 men" which demonstrates the way that Anastasia was immune to dying since she helped out so many (About Our Patron Saint – St. Anastasia Catholic Church). She was then taken to the island of Palmaria. Anastasia was staked to the ground with her arms and legs stretched out and burned alive. Her remains were taken to Constantinople. There, a church was dedicated to her. One of her hands and her whole head were transferred to the Monastery of St. Anastasia, which is near Mount Athos. Everything that happened in St. Anastasia's life and tragedies are believed to be legendary and miracles. Therefore, I chose St. Anastasia as my saint because I like her name and I also think it is important to learn about and know all the things she went through, from being a helping miracle to being tortured to death. She is known as a healer and many people need her on their side since she can help them out.

Saint Anastasia will help me live out my faith by helping me out in the worst moments like when I get hurt, need any help, or get myself in a bad situation. I can pray to her for strength and God's giving and she will accompany me. I do think it is important to realize that St. Anastasia kept her virginity even after she got married because she wasn't blessed with any children and therefore, was able to help many people out. Her miraculous healings would get her in trouble but she knew that and still would want to heal and help. All the times servants had tried to kill her, she would be rescued or immune from the hurtings and these are legendary. St. Anastasia will help to live out my faith in the catholic church by strengthening me, instructing me through hard times, and realizing that she suffered for all the good she had done to others when helping them out.

***St. Agatha of Sicily***  
by Julia Sikorski

For my patron saint I chose St. Agatha of Sicily. Saint Agatha lived not a very peaceful life. St. Agatha was born in the first part of the third century into a wealthy and noble Christian family in Catania, Sicily. She was a beautiful looking woman, and a Roman Senator forced her to marry her, but she declined. The Senator did not like this and arrested her, he brought her to the judge, but the senator was the judge. During court Agatha kept on exclaiming "Jesus Christ, Lord of all, you see my heart, you know my desires. Possess all that I am. I am your sheep: make me worthy to overcome the devil." The senator tried to break her from her faith and force her into marriage, but she said no. Agatha got imprisoned and kept on getting assaulted and beat. She got tortured because she kept on reframing her faith to God. The senator did not like this. Agatha died in prison from all the wounds she got from exclaiming her faith to God.

I chose this saint because St. Agatha is the patron saint of nurses. When I grow up, I want to be a nurse helping others and keeping people safe. St. Agatha was never a nurse or in the medical field but due to her marked resilience during such times, she became the patron saint of nurses, as they must also call on resilience to daily hardships. One of my biggest inspirations in becoming a nurse was my aunt. She is on herself and cares for other. Agatha was devoted to God and never gave up. Agatha was a strong woman who never stopped caring or having hatred toward someone. If I become a nurse when I am older, I will be as strong as her and never give up.

Saint. Agatha of Sicily will help me live out my Catholic faith because she will help me get through the rest of my life every step I take. When I pray in the day, I will pray to her to guide me through my journey and get me through it. She will protect me. You can pray to St. Agatha with any intention. Saint. Agatha of Sicily feast is celebrated on February 5th.

**Saint Cecilia**  
by Alison Reniewich

Saint Cecilia, or Cecily, the patron of music and musicians, was a Roman virgin martyr. Her feast day is November twenty-second, the occasion of concerts and musical festivities. Born around the second or third century A.D., Saint Cecilia was a noble lady, who, at a young age, devoted herself and vowed her virginity to God. Despite this, her parents forced her to marry a pagan man, Valerian. On her wedding day, as the musicians played, it is said that Cecilia “sang in her heart to the lord.” After this, she confronted Valerian, informing him of an angel which protected her vow to God. Valerian told her he would respect her wishes if he could see said angel, and so Cecilia sent Valerian to be baptized by Pope Urbanus. On his return, he witnessed the angel crowning Cecilia with a chaplet of roses and lilies. Converted to Christianity, Valerian, along with his brother, Tibertius, became adamant witnesses to Christ, distributing their possessions to the less fortunate, and began burying martyred Christians.

The Prefect Turcius Almachius took a notice to the three Christians acts, and so he condemned them to death. Maximus, the trusted officer to enact their sentence was converted to Christianity as well, betraying Almachius. In the end however, both brothers died. Cecilia, before her imprisonment and inevitable martyrdom, distributed her possessions to the poor, and made for her home to be used as a church. Cecilia was condemned to be burned, but when the flames did not harm her, she was ordered to be beheaded. It is said that she was struck with an axe to her neck three times. The Roman soldiers left her to die. Saint Cecilia lived for three days, preaching the word of God, converting those to Christianity, and favoring the poor. It is believed that Saint Cecilia converted over four hundred people to Christianity, many of whom were baptized by Pope Urbanus. After the third day of her suffering, Cecilia was laid to rest, her body buried in the Catacomb of Callistus by Pope Urbanus.

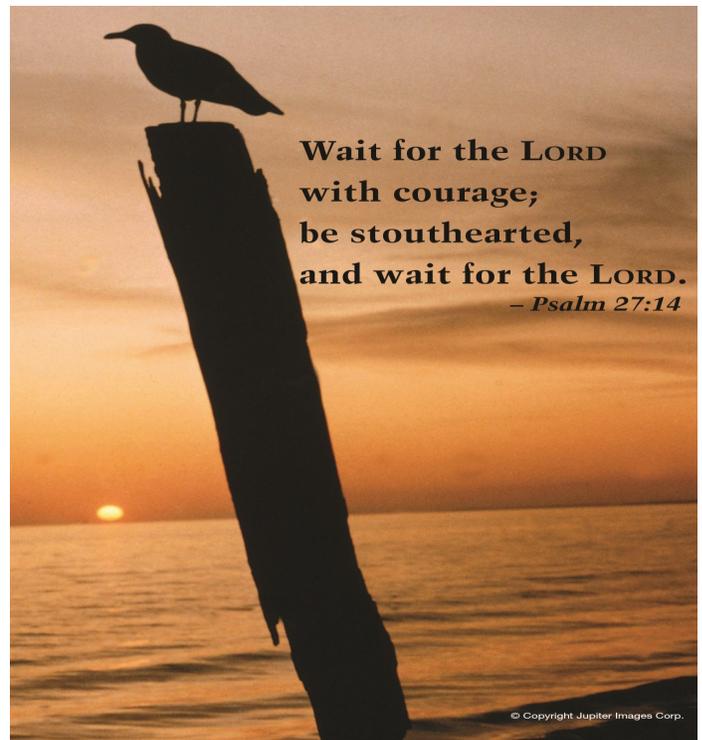
Saint Cecilia’s remains were exhumed in 1599, discovered as the first saint’s body to be found incorrupt. Officials draped Cecilia’s body with a silk veil, only looking through the veil in an act of reverence and made no further exams to her body. The officials reported a “mysterious and delightful flower like odor which proceeded the coffin.” Her remains were transferred to Cecilia’s church, where she was placed under the high altar. The Church of Saint Cecilia was built in Rome, founded in the third century by Pope Urban the first. A statue was built where her body was discovered; depicting a woman lying on the ground, her head turned away, a mark on her neck where she was struck with the axe.

I have chosen this Saint for my confirmation because my mother gave it to me. My mother and I have always been close, despite our differences. Although I have my father’s temperament and his rage, my mother loves me. In the search for saints, my mother came to me, telling me about Saint Cecilia.

“Maybe you can choose her?” she told me. I chose the name without question. If my mother gave it to me, then I would surely use it. Though I had no clue of who Saint Cecilia was, I’d still choose her regardless. When my mother told me of Saint Cecily, I felt compelled to choose it. My mother has always been a part of me, and with choosing this saint, I suppose that is another piece of my mother in my life.

After researching her life, I realized that we both had things in common. Saint Cecilia is often regarded as the patron of music, which relates to me, as I have a favor for music. Music has always been part of my life, giving me a sense of comfort. Although she is the patron of musicians and music, Saint Cecilia has shown great courage and bravery in the face of death. I admire her courage and resilience to fight for what she believed. Perhaps the music played at her wedding had given her the strength to confront her newly wedded husband. For me, music also gives me the strength to keep my composure. Another commonality is Cecily’s vow to God to keep her virginity. It is apparent that she did not wish to be married off to a man. I myself, do not believe in marriage and do not wish to marry.

Although I am not religious in any way, Saint Cecilia has given me a new outlook on christianity. I have always seen the church as an organization, but perhaps not everything is corrupt. How could it be when Saint Cecilia gave up her life and soul to God? I do not believe that any saint, or anyone for that matter, could convert me back to christianity or bring me closer to God. However, after the discovery of Saint Cecily, her actions have shown me a new light. No one should be prosecuted or discriminated against for their beliefs, or therefore lack of. Saint Cecilia had sacrificed herself because she wanted to serve her God. Though I am not religious, I find Saint Cecilia’s determination to go as far as to die for her faith admirable and fascinating.



# Jesus Tells us to Repent

Today we hear about Jesus beginning His mission of preaching and healing the sick. The very first thing He tells the people is that they should repent from their sins.

Why do we need to repent of our sins? Why don't we just stop thinking about the bad things we did and start trying to be good?

Well, pretend your soul is like a garden. When you sin, it's like making a big hole in the ground. You can't grow flowers in a hole, and someone might trip on it and make the hole bigger. That's what can happen with sins too- little sins can cause bigger ones.

When you are sorry for your sins and go to confession it's like filling in the holes and planting flowers where they used to be. Keep your soul like a good garden and make sure you don't have any holes in it!



Answer to Unscramble puzzle: darkness, light, joy, harvest, yoke, smashed.  
Answer to puzzle on front: the Kingdom of Heaven

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# The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 22nd, 2023

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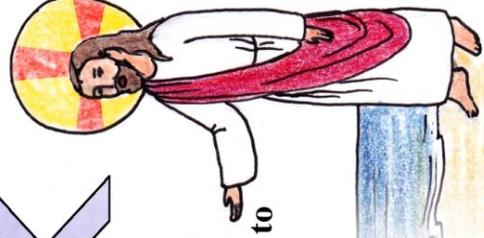
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18 3 9 4

What did Jesus say as He began to preach by the sea?  
Sort out the letters by their numbers to fill in the blanks.

Repent, for...



... is at hand.

# Saint Thomas Aquinas

January 28



SAINT THOMAS WROTE A GREAT WORK CALLED THE SUMMA THEOLOGICA, WHICH EXPLAINS MANY THINGS ABOUT GOD, MAN AND CREATION. HE NEVER FINISHED IT, THOUGH, BECAUSE HE REALIZED HE COULD NOT SHOW IN WRITING HOW AWESOME GOD REALLY IS. SAINT THOMAS DIED AT AGE 49.

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# Unscramble and Fill in the Blanks:

A Prophecy about Jesus...



he people who walked in \_\_\_\_\_ have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in a land of gloom a \_\_\_\_\_ has shone.

You have brought them abundant \_\_\_\_\_ and great rejoicing as they rejoice before you as at the \_\_\_\_\_, as people make merry when dividing spoils.

For the \_\_\_\_\_ that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have \_\_\_\_\_, as on the day at Midian.

Unscramble the words below to fill in the blanks in the prophecy from today's first reading.

- OJY    KOEY    SSSNAKDRE
- GLTHI    EHSMSAD    ASEVHRT