



Holy Cross Catholic Church

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www.mendotacatholic.org

Mailing Address
1010 Jefferson Street
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Mass Schedule - Check inside cover

Confessions - Wednesdays 12pm - 1pm, Thursdays 5pm - 6pm
and Saturdays 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Adoration Chapel - Monday-Friday 9am - 10pm



Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

3888 First Road
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Confessions - Sunday 8:20am - 8:50am



St. Theresa Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule - Check inside cover

Confessions - Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Adoration - 1st Friday of each month

Homebound and Hospital Visits:

Please call the office and visits will be arranged.

Cemetery lot purchase:

Please call

Steve Schmitt at
Mendota Monument Company 815-538-5276

Our Parish Mission Statement: *To help all persons live out and understand the relevance and priority of Jesus Christ and His Gospel in the Catholic Faith.*

Pastor: Fr. Peter A. Pilon

Parochial

Vicar: Fr. Jeff Windy

Deacons: Deacon Ray Fischer
Deacon Jose Lopez
Deacon Hector Diaz

Music Director: Roy VanOpdorp

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Tom Schuhler

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† 3 yr old and 4 yr old sessions



Holy Cross School

1008 Jefferson St. Mendota, IL 61342

815-539-7003

Principal - Michael Struna

Baptisms: Pre-Baptismal instruction is required.

Call the Parish office for information and scheduling.

Weddings: Before any other arrangements are made, contact the parish priest 6 to 8 months in advance.



Complete Mass Schedule & Intentions



Sunday, Nov. 12th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM +Wes Doughty by Nancy Doughty
8:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: +Emmett McConville
by Dan & Joanna McConville
9:00 AM @**Sts. Peter & Paul**: +Marilyn Hawkins
by Theresa Myers Family
10:30 AM +Laurine Harms by Verona Whitmore
12:00 PM Mass in Spanish: Para Las Animas Venditas
by Carmen Sandoval

Monday, Nov. 13th: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: +Donald W. Sterchi by John McNally
7:00 PM +Cathy Shannon Howell by John & Fran Morrissey

Tuesday, Nov. 14th: Weekday

7:00 AM +Randy Schoenfeld by Verona Whitmore
8:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: Purgatorial Society
11:30 AM Mass at OSF St. Paul

Wednesday, Nov. 15th: St. Albert the Great

7:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: +Paul Pilon
by Dick & Mary Lee McConville
8:10 AM School Mass: +Irene Larson
by Scott & Brenda Grobe

Thursday, Nov. 16th: St. Margaret of Scotland & St. Gertrude

7:00 AM @**Ss. P&P**: +Theresa Myers by Alan & Jackie Emm
8:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: +Elizabeth Myer
by Dick & Mary Lee McConville

Friday, Nov. 17th: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

7:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: +Bill Durdan by Ann Kelly
8:00 AM @**Ss. P&P**: +Thomas Heitmann by Tom & Mary Heitmann

Saturday, Nov. 18th: Dedication of Churches of St. Peter & Paul and St. Rose Phillipine Duchesne

8:00 AM +NO MASS
4:00 PM +Steve Michel by Mahaffey & Setchell Families
5:00 PM @**St. Theresa**: +Bob Rave by Helen Rave

Sunday, Nov. 19th: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM +Bernie & Ken Henkel by Ron & Linda Henkel
8:00 AM @**St. Theresa**: Parishioners
9:00 AM @**Sts. Peter & Paul**: +Clarence Sondgeroth
by Family
10:30 AM +Enrique Lemus Jr. by Yolanda Lemus
12:00 PM Mass in Spanish: +Benito & Catalina Guzman
by Eloina Guzman

Refinishing Floors At Holy Cross Church

The floors at Holy Cross Church are being refinished. As a result, the morning Masses that would normally take place at Holy Cross Church on November 16th & 17th will be held at St. Peter & Paul Church, Peterstown. The Mass times remain the same.

Holy Cross English Lector Schedule

4:00 PM Saturday, Nov. 18: **Brian Corrigan**
6:30 AM Sunday, Nov. 19: **Rudy Arteaga**
10:30 AM Sunday, Nov. 19: **Clare Fischer**

4:00 PM Saturday, Nov. 25: **Gwen Krenz**
6:30 AM Sunday, Nov. 26: **Richard Bergmark**
10:30 AM Sunday, Nov. 26: **Nancy Goble**

If you would like to be a Lector for weekend Masses at Holy Cross, please contact the Parish Office or email:
briancorriganhcdre@gmail.com or mlflahive53@comcast.net

Sts. Peter & Paul Lector Schedule

9:00 AM Sunday, Nov. 19: **Nancy Brodtko**

St. Theresa Lector & Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Schedule

Sat., Nov. 18, 5:00 PM
Lector: **Joe Stralka**
EMHC: (none scheduled)

Sun., Nov. 19, 8:00 AM
Lector: **Gary Dau**
EMHC: **Don McLachlan**

Complete Confession Schedule

Sundays: 8:20 AM to 8:50 AM @**Sts. Peter & Paul**

Wednesdays: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM @Holy Cross

Thursdays: 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM @Holy Cross

Saturdays: 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM @Holy Cross
4:00 PM to 4:45 PM @**St. Theresa**



Spanish Mass Lector & Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Schedule

Sun., Nov. 12, 12:00 PM
Lector: **Trine Arteaga**
EMHC: **Evitelio Guzman & Leticia Guzman**

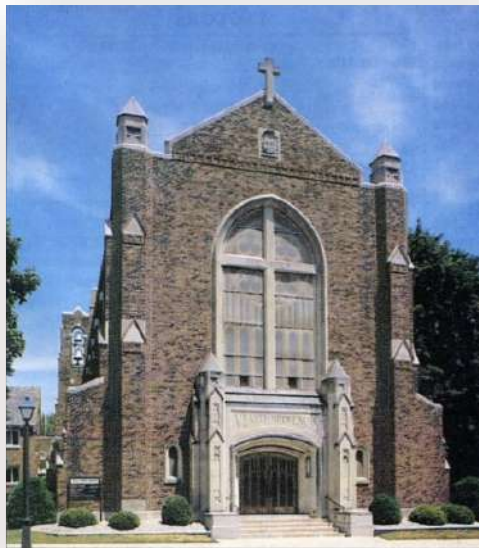
Sun. Nov. 19, 12:00 PM
Lector: **Sergio Mandujano**
EMHC: **Leticia Angulo & Carolina Martinez**



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Vicario Parroquial: Padre Jeff Windy **y Ray Fischer**
Noviembre 12, 2023 - Trigésimo Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



Bautismos, Bodas, o Quinceañeras

Llamar a la Oficina

Bodas antes de hacer preparaciones para una boda
Llame a la oficina 6 a 8 meses antes de la boda

Obligado a estar en casa si necesita que le llevemos la comunión porque este enfermo por favor llame a la oficina

Grupos de Oración:

+Renovación Carismática: jueves a las 6 - 8 pm

Confesiones

Sábado - 2:30 pm—3:30 pm

Jueves de 5 pm a 6 pm confesiones en español



Si desea hacer arreglos para que se celebre una Misa, comuníquese con Lorraine en la Oficina Parroquial, en las mañanas de lunes a viernes, de 8:30 a.m. a 12:00 p.m.



Horario de las misas

Domingo: 6:30 a.m. Holy Cross. /8am St. Teresa/
9am Ss. Peter and Paul. /10:30 a.m. Holy Cross/(inglés)

12 p.m. (español)

Lunes: 8 a.m. Earlville/ 7 p.m. Holy Cross

Martes: 7 a.m. Holy Cross/ 8 a.m. St. Teresa

Miércoles 7 a.m. Earlville/ 8 a.m. Holy Cross

Jueves 7 a.m. Holy Cross / 8 a.m. St. Teresa

Viernes 7 a.m. Earlville /8 a.m. Holy Cross

Sábado 4 p.m. Holy Cross / 5 p.m. St. Teresa

Intenciones para Misa

11/12: 12 p.m. Para Las Animas Venditas
por Carmen Sandoval

11/19: 12 p.m. Benito y Catalina Guzmán
por Eloina Guzmán

Lectores

11/12: 12 p.m. Trine Arteaga

11/19: 12 p.m. Sergio Mandujano

Ministros Extraordinarios de la Eucaristía

11/12: 12 p.m. Evitelio Guzmán y Leticia Guzmán

11/19: 12 p.m. Leticia Angulo y Carolina Martínez

Las descuidadas llevaron sus lámparas, pero no llevaron aceite para llenarlas de nuevo; las previsoras, en cambio, llevaron cada una un frasco de aceite junto con su lámpara. Estén pues, preparados, porque no saben ni el día ni la hora.

~ Matthew 25:3,4,13



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!!! SCAM ALERT !!!

Some parishioners have recently received text or email messages which appear to be from Fr. Pilon. These messages are asking for financial help, usually in the form of gift cards. **THIS IS A SCAM.**

Fr. Pilon will **NEVER** ask for money by texting or emailing. If he does ask for financial help for ministry purposes, he will do this at Mass or face to face.

Annual Diocesan Appeal

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal is now underway. Thank you to all who have already pledged to the appeal. No gift is too small. We are trying to reach 100% parishioner participation. If you received your pledge card in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. If you have not, there are pledge cards in the vestibule/pews. Your gift supports food programs, seminarians, Pre-Cana for engaged couples, Catholic schools, and adult faith formation. Every dollar raised over each parish's goal will be returned to that parish.

Holy Cross Parish Goal: \$45,589.00
Amount Pledged: \$20,795.00

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Goal: \$15,653.00
Amount Pledged: \$4,425.00

St. Theresa Parish Goal: \$22,908.00
Amount Pledged: \$7,830.00

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\$\$\$ DAILY DOLLAR WINNERS \$\$\$

Sat. 11/4	0627	50.00	Evelyn Buchanan
Sun. 11/5	2743	50.00	John R. Slusarek
Mon. 11/6	1352	100.00	Toni Kilmartin
Tues. 11/7	1965	50.00	Ava Eddy
Weds. 11/8	2175	50.00	Marsha Jones
Thurs. 11/9	1399	50.00	Mark & Deb Walter
Fri. 11/10	0460	50.00	Deb Cardot

Give God what is just, not just what is left!

Holy Cross Collection

November 5th, 2023

Sunday Collection:	\$7824.00
School:	\$ 135.00
Food Pantry:	\$ 95.00
Youth Ministry:	\$ 35.00
Campaign Human Development:	\$ 10.00
All Saints Day:	\$ 525.00
Total:	\$8624.00

St. Peter & Paul Collection

November 5th, 2023

Sunday Collection:	\$1317.20
Farm:	\$ 100.00
Mission Appeal:	\$ 74.00
All Saints:	\$ 227.10
Total:	\$1718.30

St. Theresa Collection

November 5th, 2023

Sunday Collection:	\$7079.00
All Saints Day:	\$ 85.00
Flowers:	\$ 40.00
Food Pantry:	\$ 60.00
Candles:	\$ 31.00
Total:	\$7295.00
Cemetery:	\$ 10.00

MENDOTA AREA CATHOLIC PARISHES

**HOLY CROSS, MENDOTA, IL
STS. PETER & PAUL, PETERSTOWN, IL
ST. THERESA, EARLVILLE, IL**

NOV. 12, 2023

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of November 12, 2023



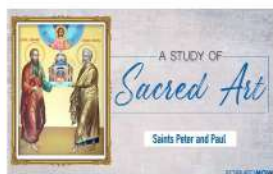
Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection

The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.



Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



Saints Peter and Paul

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp to expand your knowledge of sacred art. In this episode on FORMED, they discuss an icon depicting Sts. Peter and Paul.

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St. Theresa Parish Notes

If you are interested in becoming a member of St. Theresa's Church, contact Judy Konitzer at (815) 715 - 1655.

If you have questions, have recently moved into the Earlville area, are interested in volunteering, or are looking for information regarding St. Theresa's Church, contact Wilma Stillwell at (815) 866 - 8636 or Mary Lee McConville at (815) 866 - 8876.



It's time for "**Socksgiving**". In the past 2 years, our gifts of socks have been well received at the Ottawa Homeless Shelter. People rarely remember to donate socks. We all know that when our feet are cold, our whole bodies are chilled. New heavy socks are what is needed. Look for "Mr. Turkey" and help fill his box. Last year, we made 175 pairs of feet very happy. Let's break our record this year. Donate between October 20th and November 20th. Both adult and children's sizes are needed.

OCIA News

Please pray for the following adults who are participating in the current Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) program:

- Kelsey Coomes
- Marco Coronel
- Alexa Escatel
- Jacob Rinaldo
- Reyli Sandoval
- Jessica Valdez
- Anicia Vazquez
- Juan Vazquez
- Anita Vodical



OCIA is the program by which adults become Catholic and/or complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation). For more information regarding OCIA, contact the Parish Office at (815) 538 - 6151.




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Our Lady of the Cenacle Chapel

"Christ held Himself in His hands when He gave His Body to His disciples saying: 'This is My Body.' No one partakes of this Flesh before he has adored it."

~ Saint Augustine

Please call Karen Brandner, Chapel Coordinator, at 815.915.6635 to sign up for your Holy Hour.



Growing Disciples


Parish Reorganization Feedback

Parishes across the Diocese of Peoria have completed their parish meetings for Growing Disciples. This is the multi-year pastoral planning process for the Catholic Diocese of Peoria to renew discipleship and enhance relationships with Jesus Christ. Bishop Louis Tylka is reading, listening to, and praying about the feedback he is receiving with regard to the proposed parish reorganization. Your input is needed and valued as he discerns the future landscape of the Diocese of Peoria. Use the following link to submit your feedback in English or Spanish:


[Parish Reorganization Feedback Form](#)

Feedback Deadline: November 22, 2023

Visit a parish cemetery and pray for the dead this November.
(Cemetery photos compliments of Stephanie Reeder)



Keeping the Catholic Faith at College



Newman Ministry is an organization endorsed by the Peoria Diocese that "connects students with the Catholic community on campus, so their faith thrives in college and beyond". Christine Turner, a Newman Ministry representative, has requested a list of our parishioners who are currently attending college. She will arrange for a Catholic campus minister to contact each student for the purpose of inviting that student to Catholic activities including the Mass on campus or in the local area. If you know of a college student who would benefit from this invitation, please forward that student's First Name, Last Name, Email Address, College Name, and College Location to the Parish Office. You can also submit this information in the collection basket or you can email it to tomgschu@gmail.com. Be sure to print clearly. One letter or number specified incorrectly with regard to an email address will eliminate the possibility of effective communication. (College Students ID'd To Date: 0 / We can do better!)



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Knights of Columbus Council 2090 Notes

- The next monthly meeting will be Dec. 7th at 6:00 PM in the Holy Cross School Basement.
- Scan the following QR Code to become a member:



Holy Cross Church is collecting winter socks for men, women, and children staying at the PADS Homeless Shelter. There is a collection box in the church vestibule. The deadline for donating socks is November 20th.



St. Nicholas Van



St. Nicholas Charity on Wheels is a ministry of Catholic Charities that serves those in need in the Diocese of Peoria. Those that come to the St. Nicholas Van are given bags of toiletry and cleaning supply items which can offset household expenses. Families needing assistance are welcome to meet the St. Nicholas Van at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 14th in the Holy Cross Church parking lot.



St. Peter & Paul Growing Disciples Follow Up Meeting



A meeting will be held for the purpose of developing an organized, thoughtful, and effective response to the Peoria Diocese's proposed elimination of the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass at St. Peter & Paul Church. The meeting details are as follows:

Location: Peterstown Hall
Date: Monday, November 13, 2023
Time: 7:00 PM

All concerned parties are encouraged to attend. This includes St. Peter & Paul parishioners, TEC & Cursillo members, Hispanic Retreat participants, and others who attend the Mass that could be eliminated. All details regarding the proposed reorganization of our 3 parishes can be found at mendotacatholic.org.

Community Heart and Soul

Who: You! Please also bring a family member or friend.

When: Saturday, Nov. 18, 9:00-11:00 AM and Monday, Nov. 20, 6:00-8:00 PM (same meeting provided twice to accommodate schedules)

Where: Mendota Civic Center

Why: To provide input on guidance for future projects in Mendota

What: Community meeting featuring:

- Background and data from community interviews and surveys
- Announcement and fine-tuning of value statements created from data
- Discussion of future Mendota projects
- Prioritizing of future projects/community development

Please help steer progress in Mendota. The only way we can see the change the community wants is if the community responds. Please provide your input!

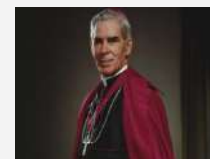


Prayer Intentions



- Peace, healing, and comfort for a young man who fell off a roof.
- Peace, healing, and comfort for a 93-year-old lady who broke her pelvis.
- For an end to abortion, euthanasia, and all threats against human life.

Contact Nancy Kaiser at (815) 539-6656 to request prayer.



5 Reasons to Pray the Rosary According to Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



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Pray for Deceased Parishioners

Nov. 2, 2022 – Nov. 2, 2023

(Notify Parish Office of any errors or omissions.)



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| ➤ Rosemary Rainwater
(Nov. 4, 2022) | ➤ Edith Becker
(June 28, 2023) |
| ➤ James H. Gard
(Nov. 8, 2022) | ➤ Ramona Menchaca
(July 3, 2023) |
| ➤ Donald Norton
(Nov. 22, 2022) | ➤ Alfredo Lopez
(July 13, 2023) |
| ➤ Joyce Spanier
(Dec. 7, 2022) | ➤ David C. Sondgeroth
(July 23, 2023) |
| ➤ Winifred Whetzel
(Dec. 27, 2022) | ➤ Daniel L. Biers
(July 29, 2023) |
| ➤ Richard Riva
(Jan. 20, 2023) | ➤ Henrietta Klein
(Aug. 5, 2023) |
| ➤ Theresa M. Myers
(Jan. 28, 2023) | ➤ Elaine Galloway
(Aug. 18, 2023) |
| ➤ James Bann
(Mar. 8, 2023) | ➤ Bertha Sondgeroth
(Sept. 10, 2023) |
| ➤ Catherine C. Butler
(Mar. 8, 2023) | ➤ Lynda Auchstetter
(Sept. 24, 2023) |
| ➤ Linda F. McPheeters
(Mar. 20, 2023) | ➤ Betty Gard
(Oct. 21, 2023) |
| ➤ James E. Poisel
(Apr. 17, 2023) | ➤ Celeste Schmitt
(Oct. 23, 2023) |
| ➤ Robert J. Schmitz
(Apr. 25, 2023) | ➤ Bernice Spanier
(Oct. 26, 2023) |



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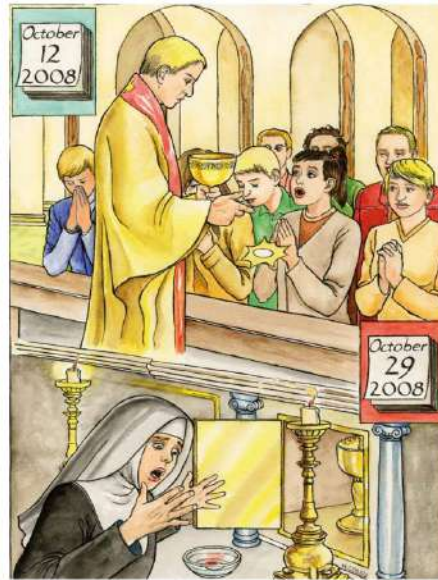
http://therealpresence.org/eucharst/mir/engl_mir.htm

* The Eucharistic Miracles Display is coming to Holy Cross Gym November 21st & 22nd. Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins. *

Eucharistic Miracle of SOKÓŁKA

POLAND, OCTOBER 12, 2008

On October 12, 2008, at the church dedicated to Saint Anthony of Sokółka, the Holy Mass of 8:30 AM is celebrated by a young vicar, Filip Zdrodowski. During Communion, unknowingly the Host falls from the hands of one of the priests. A woman kneeling, ready to receive the Eucharist, makes him notice it. The priest remains paralyzed from fright and believing it was dirty, places it in the vasculum, a small silver vessel which contains the water utilized by priests to wash their fingers after distributing Communion. At the end of the Holy Mass, the sacristan, Sister Julia Dubowska, takes the vasculum with the Host and for increased safety pours it into another vessel which she then locks in the safe where the chalices were kept.



Interior Chapel where the precious Relic is kept



Church dedicated to Saint Anthony in Sokółka



The fragment of the partially dissolved Host with the blood colored substance emanated from its interior is the relic that was placed on the white corporal with an embroidered red cross.



Tabernacle where miraculous Host that fell to the ground was first stored



Safe where the miraculous Host was stored



Photo of Sister Julia Dubowska who first saw the Host transformed into flesh, exactly into tissue of the myocardial muscle.

A week later, on Sunday, October 19, around 8:00 AM, the sister opens the safe and finds the Host almost dissolved but with some strange red clots in the center. She immediately calls the priests to show them what was discovered. The Host was mostly dissolved. Only a very small piece of the consecrated bread was left, tightly interconnected to the substance that appeared on its surface. Actually, part of the Host was joined to that "strange red dot". The pastor of Sokółka then contacted the Metropolitan Curia of Białystok. Archbishop Edward Ozorowski together with the Chancellor of the Curia, priests and professors examined the Host and, astounded, decide to wait for the development of the events and to see what would happen next. On October 29 the vessel containing the Host is brought into the parish chapel and locked in the tabernacle; the next day, on order of the Archbishop, Father Gniędziejko delicately removes with a small spoon the partially dissolved Host with the blood colored substance on its interior and

places it on a pure white corporal, with a red cross embroidered on its center. The corporal is kept in the case used for keeping and carrying the Hosts, to be then locked again in the tabernacle. Over time the Host "fused" with the corporal and the red "dot" dried. Only then two scientists of global fame and specialists in pathological anatomy at the Medical University of Białystok were consulted. The Metropolitan Curia of Białystok has released this declaration concerning the Eucharistic Miracle that occurred at Sokółka:

"1. On October 12, 2008, a consecrated Host fell out of the hands of a priest while he was distributing Holy Communion. He picked it up and placed it in a vessel filled with water, in the tabernacle. After Mass, the vessel containing the host was placed in a safe present in the sacristy.

"2. On October 19, 2008, after opening the safe one could clearly see a red stain on the Host that had fallen, which with the naked eye immediately gave the impres-

sion of being a bloodstain.

"3. On October 29, 2008, the vessel containing the Host was transferred to the tabernacle of the chapel of the rectory. The next day the Host was removed from the water contained in the vessel and placed on a corporal inside the tabernacle.

"4. On January 7, 2009, the sample of the Host was taken and examined independently by two professionals in histopathology at the University of Medicine of Białystok. They issued a common declaration which states: 'The sample sent for evaluation looks like myocardial tissue. In our opinion, of all the tissues of living organisms this is the one that resembles it the most.'

"5. The Commission has noted that the analyzed Host is the same one that has been moved from the sacristy to the tabernacle in the chapel of the rectory. Intervention by a third party has not been found.

"6. The case of Sokółka does not contradict the faith of the Church, but rather confirms it."

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