

## St. Paul Parish Newsletter



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## **Parish News**



Our Annual Parish Meeting was held on Sunday, February 16th. There were 35 parish members who attended the meeting. Officers, Board of Directors, Auditors and Tribunal positions were voted on. A letter has been sent to our Diocesan Bishop Stanley Bilinski, for the

approval of these positions. The results will be posted in next month's newsletter.

#### Happy St. Patrick's Day



#### Lenten Season



The season of Lent begins on March 5th, Ash Wednesday. There will be one Mass with the distribution of ashes at 10:00am. At 6:00pm there will just be the distribution of ashes.

## Stations of the Cross



Stations of the Cross will be at 10:00am on the following Friday dates:

March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

April 4th, 11th

There will be one Friday night Stations of the Cross which will be announced at a later date by Father Mark.

## Institution of the PNCC



Rt. Rev. Francis Hodur PNCC Organizer

Each year, the second Sunday in March is designated for the Institution of the Polish National Catholic Church. Below are some facts of our organizer, Bishop Francis Hodur.

#### **His Early Life**

- Francis Hodur was born near Krakow, Poland. One of seven children in a poor family.
  - While preparing for the priesthood at the Jagiellonian University, he was an exceptional student.
  - He emigrated to the U.S. in 1893. That same year, he was ordained as a priest.
  - On the 14th of March 1897, Father Hodur became pastor of St. Stanislaus Cathedral, Scranton, PA.
  - On Sept 29, 1907, Father Hodur was consecrated bishop by Old Catholic Bishops in Utrecht, Holland.
- For more information on Bishop Hodur and the PNCC, please go to the website: pncc.org





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## **Communion Class**

First Holy Communion Classes are now being held in the social hall following the 9:00am Mass on Sundays. Students not yet baptized are welcome to begin attending as they will undergo instruction and preparation for baptism as well.



## YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12th at 9:00am at Cal's Restaurant in Belleview. All men from the parish



are encouraged to attend. If you are new to the parish, this is a good opportunity for you to meet some of the men of our parish.

## St. Paul Choir

We have a fantastic, spirited choir here at St. Paul's, under the direction of Charley Stoykovich. We are still looking for singers for our Saturday Mass. Anyone interested in joining the choir can meet here at the church on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for practice.



## Ladies Adoration Society

All praise and glory to God and we thank Him for our abundant blessings.



Our annual retreat, February 6th thru February 8th, was one of the best yet as we all gathered together as sisters in great camaraderie and prayer at the Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg to honor our Lord. The date for next year's 2015 retreat will be February 5th, 6th and 7th. The retreat is open to all the ladies of the parish.



We broke all records with our Victorian Tea that was held on February 22nd. It was a wonderful success and a good time was had by all. We are already working on a speaker and dater for next year.

The Adoration Society's Lenten Adoration will be every Friday during Lent beginning on March 7th after Stations of the Cross until 5:00pm. All members of our church family are invited to stop in and visit with our Lord during this very holy time.

I wish you all God's choicest blessings during this Lenten Season.

In His Service, Dori Canfield, ANS President



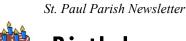


We welcome our new members of our church family who have joined in the month of February.

Jack & Judy Brennan Leo Ianaro



Father Mark is conducting bible class on Thursdays, 10:00am here at St. Paul's social hall. This ongoing class is for everyone interested in finding out more about their faith. Father Mark brings us many pearls of Scripture each week and whether you are a first time bible reader or an astute learned scriptural connoisseur, there's something special in the Word of God for everyone. You are encouraged to bring a friend.



## Birthdays

- 1st Donna Custer Debbie Emmerson Mary Ann Marchewka
- 2nd Hank Charpentier Lucy Dowling
- 3rd Fran Chadwick
- 4th Joseph Berdechowski Alex Yackowski
- 6th Joanne Q. Doran
- 7th Ed Ball
- 8th Jim Hamuka
- 11th Marie Brown-Hurley
- 15th Marissa Pfouts
- 18th Landon Maynard
- 19th Rosalee Stein
- 20th Hank Charpentier Nancy Kirschenbaum
- **21tst** Diane Duguay Dale Maynard
- 24th Jim Long
- 25th Mary Ann Cafaro John DalNegro
- 26th John Turan
- 29th Meghan Cimini
- 31st Patricia Rockefeller



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- 5th John & Mercy Turan
- 8th Bob & Emily Maciok
- 10th Ed & Debie Ball
- 14th Will & Sue Nordman
- 29th Ken & Caroline Hoffmann
- 31st Jack & Donna Ross

\* Members, if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please inform Debbie Niznik.

#### **Daylight Savings**



Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on March 9th.

#### **Backpack Program**



Our mainstay charitable program provides local homeless school children personal care/hygiene items all year round. Please drop off items anytime on the rectory porch or at church on Sundays, in the bins in the back of the church.



## Women's Prayer Group

There will be no Prayer Group March 5th -Ash Wednesday. The Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, March 19th.

Rosary at 3:00pm

Prayer Group at 3:30pm.

All the ladies of the parish are welcome.



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## Spaghetti Dinners



Come and bring your friends to our weekly all you can eat spaghetti dinners on Fridays 4:00-7:00pm. Dinners include salad, roll & butter and your choice of

a free beverage, either coffee, iced tea or lemonade. Adults are just \$6.00 (note price change) and Children 12yrs and younger are FREE. There are also homemade desserts from our Ladies ANS Society for only \$1.00 each. If you are bringing a large group, please contact Bob Canfield at 352-454-8673 and let him know how many in your party and what time you will arrive, and he will reserve your table(s) for you.

## Words for Thought

God is everywhere and yet invisible, silent, seemingly absent and indifferent... We need more than a watchmaker who winds up the universe and lets it tick. We need love and mercy and forgiveness and grace - qualities only a personal God can offer.

Philip Yancey

## Sunday Coupon Flyers

Debbie Niznik wants to thank all of you for bringing in your Sunday coupon flyers each week. At the annual parish meeting held on February 16th she showed everyone the 230 free items that she was able to obtain for the Backpack Program. This is an ongoing project for Debbie.





## Name Badges

We have name badges for all the members here at St. Paul Parish. They are

magnetic badges, not pins, so they will be easier to wear. We encourage you to wear your name badge each week to church, so everyone will know each other! We also encourage you to wear them at any of our church functions. If you have joined the church in the last month, your name badges are on order.

## Member Info

To all members:

If you have moved or you have a new phone number, please inform Debbie Niznik of these changes so she can update your record information.



Thank you.



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Guest Speaker Janet Perez Eckles with Dori Canfield, ANS President

#### ANS Retreat Feb 6th-8th





One of the Church windows at the retreat.



ANS Victorian Tea Feb. 22nd



Going to the Cross



Guest Speaker Clare Spiegel





















