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+ MASS INTENTIONS + INTENCJE MSZALNE +

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23

4:30 PM Deceased members of Czaplicki & Listwon Families – Jane & Chris Listwon

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:15 Stella Zygmunt (Anniv.) – family

10:00 Jozef i Eugenia Kremer – corka z rodzina

11:30 Josephine Alu – M/M James McGrath, Jr. & family

MONDAY FEBRUARY 25

Chapel For our parishioners / Za parafian

8:00 Special Intention for Robert – VB

10:00 Funeral Mass for Edward Kuzia

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 26

8:00 Melissa Robinson – Lou & Barbara Angelucci

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 27

8:00 Cecilio & Vincenzina Colangelo – daughters

7:00 PM Mirosław Reda – Friends

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 28

8:00 Antoni Polkowski – son & family

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 29

8:00 Richard Tabaka – Lorraine Integlia Family

SATURDAY MARCH 1

8:00 Marianna & Joseph Gorecki – Edward & Irene Maciejko & family

4:30 PM Frank & Bernice Zalenski – family

SUNDAY MARCH 2 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:15 Living and deceased members of the Women's Guild

10:00 Józef Tabaka – córka i żona

11:30 Teresa Olinski –Pinto – family Olinski-Pinto

THIS WEEK THE VOTIVE LIGHTS ARE LIT FOR:

Casimer Milkowski – wife and family ♦ William Brochinsky – wife and sons
♦ Living and deceased members of the Fuller & Szatkowski Families - Natalie & family ♦ Fred Slusarski - wife ♦ Anthony Roginel - Alma ♦ Josephine Alu – Love, Michele ♦ Health, God's blessings and success for children & grandchildren ♦ William Amodeo, Jr. & Edward Baczek – Ellen ♦ Mary and Victor Greski - family ♦ Adeline and Edward Reyen - ER ♦ God bless our grandson in the Air Force, Michael Mazzacco – Grandparents Nick & Mary Grace & family ♦ To St. Jude for health, happiness and success for son ♦ A special intention to our Lady of Sorrows for N.B. ♦ O zdrowie i laski Boże dla Heleny i Alojzego Skonka ♦ Health & God's blessings for Peter P. Danielczuk ♦ O laskę powrotu do pełni zdrowia dla Janusza Balikowskiego ♦ Special Intention to St. Catherine Laboure – KW ♦ In thanksgiving for graces received – ML ♦ Health & God's blessings for Peggy Kuzia – ML ♦ In loving memory of John & Helen Androski – ML ♦ Health & God's blessings for Fr. Marek Sobczak, CM - ML ♦ Health & God's blessings for Fr. Wacław Hlond, ML ♦ Health & blessings for Anne Danielczuk – Love, Geloso Family ♦ Health & Blessings for Aunt Mary Rose & Ruben – Love, Geloso Family.

SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS

in loving memory of Edward Kuzia –ML

THE BREAD AND WINE IS DONATED

in thanksgiving for God's everlasting love. –ML

ST. JOSEPH, OUR PATRON, PRAY FOR US!

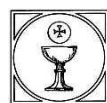
For the soul of Władysława Balaban * For the intention of Pope Benedict XVI * For vocations to priesthood and religious life, especially to the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentian Fathers) * For the hungry and homeless * Living and deceased members of our families * For the end of abortion * For the successful Lenten conversion of heart.

++ Please reserve your request for the BREAD AND WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP, ST. JOSEPH and VOTIVE LAMPS in writing with your donation included. All the intentions are also read and offered to God during the Miraculous Medal Novena every Wednesday night

The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:9-10

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend is our monthly collection. Thank you for your generosity.

DOMINICAN SISTERS BAKE SALE will be today after all Masses. Proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for our mission to support the lepers.



EUCHARIST "To keep alive our love for God and for men, we need the Eucharist, the appropriate food for the baptized, which can nourish the new energies that derive from Baptism. It is a cause of immense joy to be able to take part in the Eucharist instituted 'to preserve unceasingly the memory of the One who died and rose for us.'" (Pope Benedict XVI)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA – Wednesday at 7 PM We encourage you to participate in this devotion in honor of the Blessed Mother, which can bring you many graces

BROWN BAG SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND. Please bring food for the poor. Share in the Lenten spirit.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST, sponsored by the Women's Guild, will be held on Sunday, March 2nd following the 8:15 AM Mass. Members are reminded to meet at 8:00 AM to attend Mass in a body. Guest speaker is Jean Cherni, whose articles appear in the New Haven Register. Please contact Jean Barclay at 734-0839 for information or reservation. Cost \$5. All parishioners are invited.

LENT

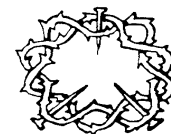
Our Lenten spiritual preparations should not be confined to "giving up" things; we should "take on" things - for example - family prayers. We are prepared to do something special during this season anyway. If you have not established the habit of praying together as a family, and in our busy times it is difficult, do set aside some time this Lent to do it. Fathers and mothers can plan together what form this will take.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

The Church gives us the following regulations for the Lenten Season. Fasting is required for those 18-59 years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence from meat (during the entire day) is required on Ash Wednesday, Good Fridays and on all Fridays during Lent for those 14 years and older. Fasting means eating only one full meal and two light meatless meals, and no eating between the meals.

GORZKIE ZALE DEVOTION (LAMENTATIONS) in Polish are sung on Wednesdays at 6:40 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the relic - Friday at 7 PM.



OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY is extended to the families of Edward Kuzia and Ludmila Szczepanski. May their souls and all souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *The funeral Mass for Edward Kuzia will be Monday at 10 AM.*

PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday's Collection: \$2188.

Donations for furnace repairs: \$100 Peter & Grace Danielczuk; \$100 Joseph Oliwa; \$100 Karen Zalenski; \$50 Edward Zalenski; \$40 NN.

Thank you for your generosity in the collection and donations.

We continue the work on the heating system in the school and church building. Based on opinions of many steam heating contractors, we will modify the system for the best available reliability and efficiency of the furnace without costly replacement of the whole system. Donations to cover the expenses of the furnaces update are still very welcomed and appreciated. ☺ An extra dollar per Sunday envelope to cover the price of the heating oil would be very helpful, too. ☺

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES AND CALENDARS FOR 2008 are available in the school corridor. All youth, 18 and over, should be using adult envelopes, especially if they are working. Please contact the rectory.

PRO-LIFE – The fundamental human right, the presupposition of every other right, is the right to life itself. This is true of life from the moment of conception until its natural end. Abortion, consequently, cannot be a human right—it is the very opposite. It is a deep wound in society. In stating this, I am not expressing a specifically ecclesial concern. Rather, I am acting as advocate for a profoundly human need, speaking out on behalf of those unborn children who have no voice.” *Pope Benedict XVI.*

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE – We share our faith with our children so that one day they will say, “We no longer believe because of your word; we have heard for ourselves and worship what we understand.” But first, children must hear ‘your word’.

Elderly and Low Income Parishioners with less than \$41,000 total are eligible for **free income tax form** 1040 EZ and 1040 A preparation by IRS trained VITA volunteers. Call 736-5420, Ext 1219 for appointment Wed. 4-8 PM or Sat. 9 AM to 1 PM.

OPERATION RICE BOWL CAMPAIGN takes place during Lent. Rice Bowl sponsored projects improve the lives of millions of people in over 70 countries every year. They provide education, training and technical assistance to those most in need in underdeveloped regions. The projects emphasize self-help and long-term development, rather than short-term relief. **Operation Rice Bowl helps people to help themselves.**



THANK YOU to the 14 parishioners who recently attended a “Heart saver AED course”. The AED (automated external defibrillator) can help save a life in the event of a heart attack.

Lenten Family Supper at St. Michael Church Hall, Derby March 1st at 5:50 PM (Oven Roasted Chicken Dinner, Pasta Fagioli). Tickets \$10 per adult and \$6 for children 12 and under. For reservations, call 735-3652.

Mohegan Sun Trip March 29th. \$25 per person For more information, call 736-9124 or 888-3894.

St. Vincent de Paul is asking for your help during the Lenten Season. We are in need of food, grocery certificates, hams and Easter baskets to help our large family of poor. Drop off at 237 Roosevelt Drive in Derby 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM Monday to Saturday. Cut-off date for food Easter Baskets is March 14th.

FOR RENT - Ansonia – 5 rooms with central air. Call 734-8117.

OUR PARISH WEB PAGE: www.rc.net/hartford/stjoseph;

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Z ŻYCIA PARAFII

W serce człowieka wpisana jest tęsknota za Bogiem. Tylko On prawdziwie może zaspokoić nasze pragnienia. Całe życie do czegoś dążymy, osiągamy swoje zawodowe cele. Jednak pozostanie w nas pustka, jeśli nie będziemy się karmić Ciałem i Krwią Chrystusa. Pozwólmy, by Duch Jezusa stał się w nas źródłem wytryskującym ku życiu wiecznemu.

DRUGA TACA za tydzień jest naszą miesięczną kolektą na potrzeby parafii. Serdecznie dziękujemy za Waszą ofiarność.

REKOLEKCJE WIELKOPOSTNE – Składamy serdeczne podziękowania Ks. Mieczysławowi Kozłowskiemu, CM, który głosił nam tegoroczne rekolekcje. Słowo Boże i jego nauki na pewno otworzyły nam drzwi wiodące do pogłębienia naszej wiary i postawy wobec Boga. Niech przeżyte rekolekcje pozwolą z większą radością spotkać Zmartwychwstałego Pana w wielkanocny poranek. Bóg zapłać za obecność na naukach, za modlitwę i za ofiarność.

REKOLEKCJE WIELKOPOSTNE w języku angielski poprowadzi w naszej parafii ks. Leonard Kvedas, proboszcz parafii Św. Michała w Beacon Falls i dziekan dekanatu. Serdecznie zachęcamy do udziału młodzież. **Obowiązkowa obecność uczniów klas 6, 7, 8 i 9.** Rekolekcje rozpoczną się w poniedziałek 10 marca o godzinie 19 (7pm) i potrwają do środy włącznie.

DOBROCZYNNOŚĆ – **Brown Bag Weekend** składamy dzisiaj artykuły spożywcze dla organizacji Św. Wincentego a Paulo w Derby.

GORZKIE ŻAŁE – nabożeństwo o męce Pańskiej zapoczątkowane w kościele Księży Misjonarzy Św. Wincentego a Paulo w Warszawie w 17 wieku - śpiewamy w każdą środę o godzinie 18:40 (6:40 PM).

DROGA KRZYŻOWA (po angielsku) jest odprowadzana w piątki Wielkiego Postu o godzinie 19.00 (7 pm)

PRZYPOMINAMY, że każdego katolika, który ukończył 14 rok życia obowiązuje powstrzymanie się od pokarmów mięsnych w Środę Popielcową i wszystkie piątki Wielkiego Postu. Post ścisły (dozwolony jeden posiłek do syta oraz dwa małe posiłki) obowiązuje wiernych między 18 a 59 rokiem życia - w Środę Popielcową i w Wielki Piątek. Przepisy te zachowujemy dla większej pokuty życia i w celu głębszego zjednoczenia się z cierpiącym Chrystusem.

MISKA RYŻU - zachęcamy dorosłych, młodzież i dzieci - do udziału w akcji Miska Ryżu (Operation Rice Bowl). Drobne kwoty zaoszczędzone np. na odmówieniu sobie słodczy, składamy do specjalnych skarbonek, i w ten sposób pomagamy głodującym dzieciom. Pudełeczka-skarbonki są przy wejściu do kościoła.

SIOSTRY DOMINIKANKI będą sprzedawały swoje wypieki według receptur zakonnych w weekend 24 lutego. Dochód jest przeznaczony na pomoc trędowatym w ośrodkach misyjnych, które siostry prowadzą. Dziękujemy za wsparcie i zrobione zakupy.

☺ W dalszym ciągu prowadzimy prace przy usprawnianiu działań naszego systemu grzewczego. Po zasięgnięciu rad fachowców, będziemy uzdatniali istniejący system, aby był mniej zawodny i bardziej oszczędny. Wymiana pieca byłaby w obecnej sytuacji zbyt kosztowna i nie dała by oczekiwanych oszczędności. Pomoc finansowa na pokrycie kosztów napraw pieców szkolnych jest, jak zawsze, mile widziana. Dziękujemy tym, którzy już złożyli ofiarę i zachęcamy innych do naśladowania. Z góry dziękujemy! W okresie zimy **jeden dolar więcej** w każdej niedzielnej kopertce na pomoc w pokryciu kosztów oleju opałowego jest również przyjęty z wdzięcznością. ☺