



# Saint Hyacinth

*Roman Catholic Parish  
Parafia Świętego Jacka*

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## *SAINT HYACINTH PARISH MISSION STATEMENT*

*We, the members of Saint Hyacinth Parish, while preserving and promoting our Polish heritage, welcome and serve all community members through prayer, example and good works. We seek to be a guiding light to all God's people through our spiritual and social activities.*

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Times** - In the First Reading Ezra is in Jerusalem after the return of the Jewish exiles from captivity in Babylon. What captivity in Babylon, you ask? Perhaps it will help to have more of the story. Ancient Israel was captured by the Babylonian empire 586 years before Christ. They demolished the great temple built by Solomon centuries before. They deported the majority of productive citizens to Babylon, leaving peasants to run the holy city could.

There were great caravans returning home. Ezra—priest, scribe and teacher—led one of them on the four month journey across the desert. They arrived to find Jerusalem a ruined city with widespread moral decay. Reconstruction of a city or a country is immensely difficult, as we know from watching Iraq, Afghanistan and New Orleans in our own day. Ezra worked long and hard to bring back the ecclesiastical and civil fiber of the nation. At last a new temple was finished in 516 BC, and the ruined city walls were rebuilt. Ezra stood up on a high wooden platform so he could be heard and seen, and he “read plainly” from the papyrus that held “the book of the law.” He started at daybreak and continued until midday. Not only did they have their city again, but also they had heard the Word of God again, and finally there was again a temple where they could worship. The new era had begun.

Four centuries later we find Jesus making a similar return into Galilee, the region where he grew up. He has just been baptized and has spent time in the desert. Now, “in the power of the Spirit,” Luke says, he journeys back to his home town of Nazareth. Like Ezra, he takes up a papyrus scroll, this one containing the book of Isaiah—much of which, coincidentally, had been written during the Jewish exile. This action in the synagogue is the first one of his public life.

He proclaims that the Lord has sent him to “bring glad tidings to the poor . . . , to let the oppressed go free,” to proclaim a time of favor from the Lord. This is what Ezra and Nehemiah had done, but Jesus' mission is much, much more. A far greater new era has begun. He sits down, now at the same level as the people: he is in their midst. He says almost casually, “Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

His mission is to rebuild their hearts, not just their city, to return them to God, their home. Christ's mission was to rebuild our souls so we could enter the kingdom of heaven.

## Parish Calendar

**Sunday, January 31** - Volunteers are needed to help take down, package and store the Christmas decorations. We will begin immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass. Please consider staying after Mass to lend a hand.

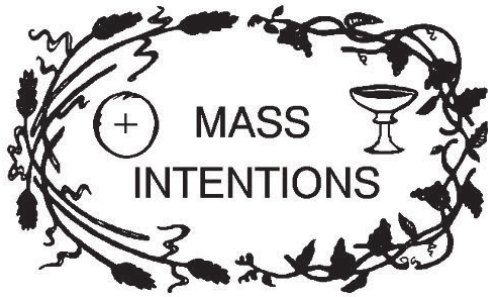
**Friday, February 5** - First Friday Mass at 11:00 AM. Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow Mass.

**Wednesday February 17** - Ash Wednesday and First Day of Lent

**Saturday, February 20** - 3:30 PM - Pope John Paul II Rosary Society - Parish Rosary for World Peace

**Sunday, February 21** - 10:30 AM - Pope John Paul II Rosary Society - Parish Rosary for World Peace

**Sunday, March 14** - 11:00 AM Mass, 8th Annual Blessing of the Polish American Dance Ensembles

**Saturday, January 23, 2010****4:00 PM**

- 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
of John & Janet Novak  
Req. by their family
- † Genevieve Sielagoski  
Req. by Pete & Karen Larson & family
- † Martha Frontczak  
Req. by her family & friends

**Sunday, Jan. 24, 2010-3rd Sunday in Ord. Time****9:00 AM**

- † Frank & Dorothy Kupczak  
Req. by their family
- † David Mijal  
Req. by the Mijal family
- † Rita Gnaster  
Req. by Genevieve & Linda Stoneberg

**11:00 AM**

- † Helen Cifuentes  
Req. by Melvin Postek
- † Lucien & Victoria Fornalewicz  
Req. by Melvin Postek
- Marsha Maksymiw on her birthday  
Req. Paul and Lucille Zamierowski
- † Joseph Thiel (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)  
Req. by Jerome & Debbie Thiel
- † For All Living & Deceased Parishioners,  
Benefactors & Friends of St. Hyacinth

**Monday, January 25, 2010****9:00 AM**

- † Mary Ancerewicz  
Req. by her family & friends

**Tuesday, January 26, 2010 – St. Timothy & Titus****9:00 AM**

- † John Przeslica  
Req. by his wife Helen

**Wednesday, January 27, 2010 – St. Angela****9:00 AM**

- † Mitchell Kohut  
Req. by his family

**Thursday – January 28, 2010- Dantis- St. Thomas Aquinas****Friday, January 29, 2010 – St. Vincent****9:00 AM**

- † For the poor souls in purgatory

**Saturday, January 30, 2010****4:00 PM**

- † Genevieve Racki  
Req. by her son Henry R. Racki
- † Henry J. Racki  
Req. by his son Henry R. Racki
- † Joanne Thiel  
Req. by Jerrold Marsh  
Francis Bobowski  
Req. by Janice Baczkowski

**Sunday, January 31, 2010-4th Sunday in Ordinary****Time****9:00 AM**

- † Seraphine Dzieszko  
Req. by her children
- † Wladyslaw Iwan & family  
Req. by his brother Fr. Janusz
- † Helena Janusz  
Req. by her daughter Theresa Ludwig

**11:00 AM**

- † Anna Kolasa  
Req. by her family
- † Jane Florek  
Req. by her family
- † For All Living & Deceased Parishioners,  
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*Life ...  
It's precious in all its stages.*

**Pope Benedict's Monthly Prayer Intentions  
For January 2010**

General: That young people may learn to use modern means of social communication for their personal growth and to better prepare themselves to serve society.

Missionary: That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

**Please keep our sick and caregivers in your prayers:**

Father Francis Skalski	Willie Howard
Ann Bush	Frank Score
Joe Pelak	Father David Przedwiecki
Frank Szymanski	Marion Bobryk
Virginia Barnowski	Genevieve Stoneberg
Christine Storms	Tish Germain
Danny Mason	Sophie Koper
Arthur Wiczko	Joseph Konfara
Mrs. Bogunia	Adela Krajenka
Nancy Milewski	Kathleen Novak
Lorraine Koss	Jennifer Formella
Ester Wichlacz	Lillian Demska-Tylenda
Carol Miloser	Barbara Sokol
Mary Skalski	John Majewski
Elizabeth Posluszny	Ray Skalski
Cheryl Taranowski	Christine Wandas
Richard Ludwig	Dianne Zamojski
Lottie Machowski	Phyllis Kubicki
Dorothy Rzeppa	Larry Milobowski
Irene Stadnik	Allen Shooks
Ingrid Pilarowski	Jane Paterka
Rita Szczepaniak	Stella Shooks
Veronica Kuskowski	Raymond Noble
Charlotte Check	Matthew Moshe
Daniel and Susan Pietrous	Adnan Alshab
Tom Przybylinski	Jonathan Smith #79
Michael Fennelly	Paul Zamierowski
Mary Antoncew	Joan Bratto
Clara Tomaszycycki	Maxine Taylor
Kenny & Violet Tyminski	Lucia Matelonek
Ellen and Sharon Cassonte	Anne Wisniewski
Andrew Czajka	Gloria Arendoski
Dana Lynn Kaszubowski	Beverly Billotti
Austin Lowry	Laura Stannis
Ed Schapko	Stephen Hart
John Sosnowski	Billy Skinner
Bernadine Miesik	Marsha Podlasek
Sharon McEvoy	Judy Cerra
Elvera Koper	Phyllis Vymazal
Frank Jarzombek	Janice Nelson
Heather Delisle	Brenden Thomas Huizdos



If you know someone who is sick and wish to have them added to the sick list, please call the Rectory 313-922-1507. Help us keep the listing updated by notifying us when a requested prayer intention may be removed.

**A PRAYER FOR THE SICK**

Omnipotent and eternal God, the everlasting Salvation of those who believe, hear us on behalf of Thy sick servant, (name), for whom we beg the aid of Thy pitying mercy, that, with his bodily health restored, he/she may give thanks to Thee in Thy church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**Standing for the Common Good  
The Manhattan Declaration.**

Christians, when they have lived up to the highest ideals of their faith, have defended the weak and vulnerable and worked tirelessly to protect and strengthen vital institutions of civil society, beginning with the family. That's why on November 20, 2009, Archbishop Allen Vigneron signed The Manhattan Declaration: A Call of Christian Conscience, which he called an "historic document (which) intends to speak to all citizens at a time when many important foundational decisions are being made concerning the sanctity of human life, the nature of marriage, and religious freedom." The goal of the Manhattan Declaration is to build a movement of Christians who will stand together alongside other men and women of goodwill to advance the sanctity of human life, rebuild and revitalize the marriage culture, and protect religious liberty. Read and sign the Declaration by visiting [www.aodonline.org/manhattan](http://www.aodonline.org/manhattan).

**Stop Abortion Funding in Health Care Reform -**

Genuine health care reform must protect the life, dignity, consciences and health of all, especially the poor and vulnerable. Health care reform should not advance a pro-abortion agenda in our country. As the U.S. Congress is at a critical stage in making decisions about health care reform, please take a few minutes to send this important message to your elected officials. For more information, and to find out how you can contact your U.S. Representatives and Senators, visit the Michigan Catholic Conference Web site at [www.micatholicconference.org](http://www.micatholicconference.org).

**Prayer to the Virgin Mary -** O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all, we turn to you today as the one who said "Yes" to Life. "You will conceive and bear a Son," the angel told you. Despite the surprise and the uncertainty about how this could be, you said yes. "Be it done unto me according to your word."

Mary, we pray today for all mothers who are afraid to be mothers. We pray for those who feel threatened and overwhelmed by their pregnancy. Intercede for them, that God may give them the grace to say yes and the courage to go on. May they have the grace to reject the false solution of abortion. May they say with you, "Be it done unto me according to your word." May they experience the help of Christian people, and know the peace that comes from doing God's will. Amen.

## Attention Saint Hyacinth Alumni

Plans are in the making for an All School Reunion in the fall of 2010. The year 2010 will mark the 20th anniversary of the closing of Saint Hyacinth Grade School. Because of this importance, we want to start planning now to ensure the reunion is a very memorable event. There will be plenty of opportunity to help out in planning, contacting old classmates, advertising, making arrangements for the Mass, school open house and possibly an Alumni Dinner.

If you are interested attending or helping organize the reunion, please let us know by calling the rectory 313-922-1507 or contacting Joe Jaczkowski 586-228-8460. The first meeting will be in early February. Organizing such an event will take plenty of effort. Your help is needed to make the fall reunion a success.

Forming a Saint Hyacinth Alumni Society is also being considered. If you are interested and would like to have increased opportunities to meet with your past classmates, please sign up and let us know.

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**Volunteers are Needed** - Have some spare time and want to help out a worthy cause? There are many opportunities right here in the parish where your assistance would be welcomed. Help will soon be needed to dismantle and store the Christmas decorations; the church will need cleaning for Easter; organizers are needed to help plan the Marriage Vows Blessing in June and the Parish Picnic in the summer; volunteers are needed to plan the school reunion. Please consider taking an active role in our parish by volunteering for these or other activities. The more that pitch in, the more we can do.

**Catholic Services Appeal** - There will be a special collection to day for the Catholic Services Appeal. Every parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit is required to make a yearly contribution to the CSA. We will have a monthly collection again this year to help spread out financial impact. Please consider giving every month by using the special envelope in you received or mark a plain envelope with "CSA". Thank you for your continued support.



**Boxtops For Education** - Here is an easy way to help us help others. We all shop for groceries, sometimes two or three times a week. Now turn those shopping trip into easy cash for schools and encourage friends to do the same! Just look for the Box Tops logo on hundreds of products like Cheerios®, Hamburger Helper® and Kleenex®, in almost every aisle of the store. All you need to do is clip and bring to Mass. Each one is worth 10¢. Just put the boxtops in an envelope marked Boxtops and submit along with your weekly offerings during Mass.

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**PASTOR:** Rev. Janusz Iwan

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Darlene Zabrzanski

**PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:** Jerry Sielagoski

**SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (English)

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. (Polish) & 11:00 a.m. (English)

**HOLYDAYS:** 6:00 p.m. (English)

**DAILY MASS:** 9:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday\*

**FIRST FRIDAY OF MONTH:** Mass at 11:00 AM\*

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday, 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.

**BAPTISMS:** Every Sunday of the Year at 10:00 a.m.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday thru Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Evening Hours: By Appointment Only

**SICK CALLS:** Anytime.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples wishing to be married at Saint Hyacinth are requested to contact the Rectory at least six months prior to their wedding date.