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Dear Parishioners and Friends of our Shrine Church,

As I write, I look and see that March is upon us, the clocks have changed, the weather is breaking and Spring is definitely in the air. Much anticipated by most, it also signals that our Lenten Season of prayer and preparation is winding down and Holy Week and Easter will soon be upon us.

As is customary, this mailing features our "Upcoming Events" page. The first side is dedicated to all of the special, once-a-year celebrations associated with this most holy of times. We look forward to your joining us in prayer and experiencing the joy of the Resurrection. Remember, our season of preparation – Lent – is forty days long, but our season of celebration – Easter – is fifty! Be sure to keep the joy of the Lord alive in your hearts!

The second side of this page takes us through a number of other observances associated with this time of year, including Divine Mercy Sunday, Mother's Day and May Crowning, Pentecost and our Memorial Day commemoration, Corpus Christi, and Father's Day. Of special note will be our Shrine Church hosting the Closing Mass of the Polish American Priests' Association National Convention on Thursday, April 16th at a special time – 5PM. This will be followed by the Fr. Leopold Moczygemba Award Banquet. Be sure to look out for further details forthcoming shortly. Also, Polish Constitution Day – May 3rd – falls on a Sunday this year and you'll want to join Cleveland Polonia in Parma for the Grand Parade down Ridge Road and the festivities at the Unity Federal Credit Union lot. There's all this – and more – going on!

Of particular note, Friday, May 8th, is our Patronal Feast Day and also the date for our FOUR EAGLES AWARD BANQUET. *It is easily the best kept secret on the Cleveland social scene!* We are proud to have as this year's recipient Brandon Chrostowski, founder of EDWINS Leadership Institute & Restaurant. He has done such transformative work within our area and beyond, been very supportive of our Parish, and takes pride in and gets inspiration from his Polish heritage. We look forward to another fantastic event filled with good food and drink, some wonderful raffle opportunities – and YOU! ***Be sure to mark your calendar now!***

Efforts on behalf of our Roof Project continue to progress. A new fundraising event was just announced (*details on the reverse side of this letter*) and concrete steps are quietly progressing us toward our goal. We look to have our formal appeal to all parishioners and friends go out in May. All of us will need to pull-together to push us over-the-top. God has been very good to us, and be assured of a fond remembrance in my prayers that He continue to be good to you and yours and bless you in every way.

Happy Easter! Wesolego, Alleluia! Smacznego Swieconego Jajka!

Yours devotedly in Christ,



Rev. Fr. Eric S. Orzech
Pastor

