From our parishes...

St. John the Baptist Parish, Manchester, CT



People in Manchester, CT, have enjoyed the Polish dinners at

the Polish dinners at St. John's Parish. The first one (Saturday, March 2) gathered 70 people

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The food raffle was held during our meal with 3 prizes full of our delicious homemade food. The second Polish Dinner was held on April 27 to mark the Easter season! More than 65 people attended and enjoyed Polish fried sausage with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes and of course golabki (already famous in Manchester!).

The celebration of the Holy Week gathered at St. John's not only parishioners but also some friends & visitors. We had Holy Mass on Maundy Thursday with washing of the feet, ALL DAY ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament on Good Friday with the Good Friday Service.

On Holy Saturday we had the traditional blessing of the Easter baskets (with some first participants!), followed by the Easter Vigil Mass at 8 PM.





Final exam & graduation ceremony of the Polish Language Course was held at St. John's on May 11, 2019. The course started in December 2018 with 18 participants — mostly Americans who decided to learn some Polish for various reasons (many of them have Polish roots). Six students passed the final exam (A1 level) & received certificates. One student decided to join our parish after this experience.

St. John's parish community celebrated Mother's Day 2019 with the solemn Eucharist & special pancake & sausage breakfast prepared after the Mass by Mr. Jo-

seph Bednarz (parish committee chairperson). During the celebration in the church all mothers received a rose and a special blessing.

Everybody enjoyed this special time together!



