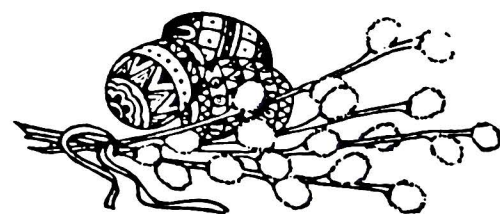


MODLITWA PRZY STOLE WIELKANOCNYM

Panie Jezu Chryste,
zasiądź między nami przy stole wielkanocnym,
udziel nam radości Twego Zmartwychstania;
niech się okazemy Twoimi uczniami,
a stół nasz niech będzie znakiem pojednania
i wzajemnej życzliwości. Amen.



*W radosnym dniu
Zmartwychwstania
Pańskiego
najlepsze życzenia
Radosnego Alleluja*



*Easter Wishes to all our
members & supporters.*

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EASTER PRAYER



Alleluia, Alleluia,
Give thanks to the Risen Lord
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth
He is the King of Creation.

Spread the good news to
all the earth,
Jesus has died and has Risen.

We have been crucified
With Christ,
Now we shall live forever.

Come let us praise the living
God.
Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT

Welcome all to our journey into the Year 2000 and a new millennium.

To mark the beginning of this special year on the 2nd of January we opened with an exhibition of artworks from Timaru, Christchurch and Dunedin. The exhibition was very successful and a great satisfaction for the organisers, participants and artists. We

had a large number of visitors, both local and international, and many expressed their appreciation by writing complimentary comments in the visitor's book.

Marching through February and March, we presented a short but exciting folk show at the Regent Theatre for "Multi-ethnic Day" during the Dunedin Festival 2000, and then, a winning float (4th Place) during the festival parade.

As Easter approaches in a few weeks, I would like to invite all members of our Polish community, their families and friends to celebrate this Easter Sunday together in the Broad Bay Church.

You can read about all this and more in this newsletter. I wish you all a wonderful and relaxing time.

Swava Pociecha (Chairperson).

Together in the next Millennium

The exhibition held at the Community Art Gallery went off without any hiccups. Thanks to all the artists who presented their works.

We are able to say that about 130 visitors passed through the exhibition and from what I observed, were very impressed and commented very favourably.

Thanks to those members who helped with the organising and the roster.

There has been interest shown for another exhibition some time later in the year.

DUNEDIN FESTIVAL 2000

26 February 2000

As part of Festival Week a "Multi-ethnic Day" event was held at the Regent Theatre including items from the Maori, Pacific Islands, Russian & Polish communities.

The Polish Society put on three items - three Polish folk songs, the last been danced by Paul & Kayleen (Krujawiak).

A big thanks to:- Swava, Ludmila, Ula, Bogna, Angela, Cecylia, Kayleen, Patricia, Ashleigh, Brittany, Hannah, Chrystal, Jacek, Mariusz, Wojciech, Paul & Brian. Also a big thanks to those who helped behind the scenes carting props all over the place especially to Vitek who has offered his help on many occasions

The evening was enjoyed by a good crowd and we received a lot of good comments.

Afterwards we went to the Sakowski home for a little refreshment and to view the video. I would just like to say that I will in future, take it easy on Edward's wine. Very nice but also very fatal.

27 February 2000

The group enthusiastically entered this year's Procession for 2000. Our theme was on the Broad Bay Church & railway work done by the early Poles.

The Society received \$250 for their efforts. Many thanks to all those keen supporters who worked hard in the preparing of the float & the amazing array of colour & costumes.

Apparently a few of our ladies couldn't resist a sing-song in the Octagon with NZ TV presenter Gary McCormick who was honorary guest at the festival proceedings.

THE POLISH HERITAGE OF OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND

A big thank you to Clive Donaldson, Edward Sakowski & Keith Clark for the fantastic work they put into designing the float.

The Church of Queen of Peace, BROADBAY

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, Father Malone of the Waverley Parish spoke to the Board concerning the future of the church. The following are notes of that presentation as given by Father. There was some very general discussion with him but at this time no formal/informal undertakings were asked for or given. The opinions voiced were those of Father Malone and not the Parish Council although it is reasonable to assume that the Council would in general support the comments.

General

- The Broad Bay church is kept alive by the Polish community.
- Locals alone do not warrant the church to be opened.
- The Parish Council would like to see control of the physical aspects of the church in the Trust's hands, even to the extent of ownership.
- The last valuation of the property was about \$40,000 and there is a suggestion that the land could be sub-divided.
- The council would like the Trust to keep in mind eventual ownership.
- Father Malone could see no diocesan problems with Trust ownership.

Immediate Problems

- Maintenance.
- Section at back unmown is a problem.
- Area that is presently mown requires looking after (there is a thought that the DCC may be responsible for parts of the upkeep).
- Hyacinth (looks after the church) is now not coping with what she sees as required maintenance.
- Borer is becoming a problem.

Current Thoughts:

- Trust to take financial responsibility for property costs of:
 - ↳ Mowing.
 - ↳ Power.

Parish Council Feelings:

- Move property to Trust control.
- Move to Trust responsibilities.
- Maintenance of a Pastoral care.

