

St. Mary's Polish National Catholic Church

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The Fourth Sunday in Advent



December 24th, 2023

9am Mass: Josephine Blatnik (4th An.) Tony Blatnik (1st An.) and Marianne Blatnik of. by Elaine Repede & family

Readings: 2Sam 7:1-5,8-11,16; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38

Lector – Natalie Soltysiak

Greeters – Martha Repede & Barb Bogzevitz

Collectors – Greg Hodor & Gene Stepanik

Christmas Eve

11:30pm: Concert of Carols before Midnight Mass

Midnight: Pasterka – Shepherd's Mass (Contemporary Mass)

Readings: Isaiah 9:1-6, Titus 2:11-14, Luke 2:1-14

Lector – Volunteer Greeters & Collectors – Anyone Available

Welcome

Welcome to all parishioners and visitors this day. Please enjoy Holy Mass and consider coming downstairs for coffee hour afterward.

Sacraments

The Polish National Catholic Church (PNCC) acknowledges 7 Sacraments, available to all. Communion is distributed by intinction, that is, the Body of Christ is dipped into the Blood of Christ and placed directly on the communicant's tongue. Penance is imparted generally at the beginning of each Mass. Should you desire private confession, please see one of our priests. Discuss Baptism, Confirmation, Matrimony with Fr. Jason.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, December 25th - Christmas Day

10am – Holy Mass of the Solemnity of our Lord's Nativity

TUESDAY, December 26th

9am – Holy Mass of St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr

7pm – Cub Scout Pack #216 Meets

WEDNESDAY, December 27th

10am – Holy Mass of the Feast of St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Fr. P. Wine blessed and distributed to the faithful at Mass

4pm – Weekly Food Ministry provided

6pm – Bible Study

THURSDAY, December 28th

9am – Holy Mass of the Holy Innocents

6-8pm: Women's AA

FRIDAY, December 29th

SATURDAY, December 30th

8pm - AA meets

SUNDAY, December 31st, 2023 – Solemnity of Humble Shepherds

9am Mass: Hanna & Len Pryer of. by daughter Evonne

11am – Final Liturgy of 2023 – Exposition, Litany, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Readings: Is. 62:11-12; Gal 4:1-7, Luke 2:15-20

Lector – Bruce Bogzevitz

Greeters – Katie Repede & Gail Perz

Collectors – John Kasperczyk & Pete O'Connor

- Oath of Officers takes place at 9am Holy Mass

- Coffee Hour Follows 9am Mass

- Please attend 11am Blessed Sacrament Liturgy!

Announcements

TODAY – And for all Sunday morning Masses in December, we use the 1st Eucharistic Prayer on p. 77, based on the Traditional Canon.

THANK YOU! – To Santa, first and foremost, for visiting us this past Sunday at our PTO Christmas Party. Thank you as well to members of the PTO who planned and executed a perfect Christmas party and basket raffle- what a fun, celebratory day as we head towards these fun, celebratory holidays! Appreciation to everyone who attended and enjoyed as well – a wonderful parish tradition.

PREP THANKS– There have been a lot of “elves” doing yeoman’s work the last days leading up to our take-home Wigilia, kielbasa sale, and kolaczki sale, as well as general Christmas Prep at church and beyond. Not unnoticed nor unappreciated! – much appreciation for everyone who kicked *everything* in high gear to prep for Christmas 2023 at St. Mary’s.

FR. JIM– is away through Monday to serve as celebrant of 4th Sun. of Advent and Christmas liturgies at All Saints PNCC in Sterling Hts, MI.

FOOD COLLECTION – We continue our guided food collection at the table placed in the church, with non-perishable items needed to fill it! items will be donated to the Parma Hunger Center. We will conclude the collection right in the new year – bring in any non-perishable you can think of for next Sunday, Dec. 31!

LAST SERVICE – for 2023 will be 11am next Sunday with the Benediction and Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Stick around for a bit after coffee hour and head up to church before leaving.

CHRISTMAS CARD fundraiser is active! Save money by not using the Post Office & use the PTO! For the 1980’s cost of 25 cents per card, you can give your cards to a member of the PTO

COFFEE HOUR NEWS –There will be no coffee hour after Sunday *morning* Mass next Sunday, December 24. However, we invite anyone who would like to stay after Midnight Mass (you’ll already be awake!) for a quick bite and some social time.

OPLATKI– Is blessed and available near St. Joseph the Workman’s Altar. You may take however much you want – we just ask that you leave a donation.

UPCOMING

Dec 24 – Christmas Eve/Day
 Dec 27 – Next Bible Study
 Dec 31 – Oath of Officers
 Dec 31 – Final Liturgy
 Jan 6-Clothes Collection Ends
 Jan 7 – Sun. Mass at 10am,
 pot luck lunch to follow
 Jan 7 – Next Bowling Day
 Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday
 Feb 14- Acme Collection Ends
 Apr 18-19-Scholars Conf.
 May 25– Bowling Tourn. Here!
 June 12-15 – Men’s Retreat

CLOTHES COLLECTION –The YMSofR Clothing Collection continues. Drop off any clothing in the bin in the Fellowship Hall. We have engaged in a light competition with other parishes in the PNCC, so the more you donate or get your friends and family to donate, the better!

SOCK TREE- Please attach **NEW** socks, mittens, & hats to it!

SAVE THE DATE – St. Mary’s will be hosting the National PNCC Bowling Tournament for the first time in over a decade! It will be

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS – For 2023 are due by Tuesday, December 29. Please see Pattie Dotson with any questions.

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary’s parishioners, family and friends:

Helen Cummings	Shannon Alberino	John Spilka
Bill Kastak	Marty Bengela	Jay Jurczyk
Johanna Markiewicz	Anna Dawidziuk	Barb & Jim Lukas
Bill & Pat Glatzer	Wanda Clark	David Micka
Hilda Grabowski	Jim Giles	Marilyn Girard
Lew & Margaret Heifner	Andy Cannizzaro	Phil Repko
Nancy Kohut	Millie Dominik	Kim Kolens
Jack Spilka	John Wisniewski	Elaine Repede
Steve & Astrid Wisniewski	George Ziefle	Joseph Bischoff
Matthew & Sue Ann Penney	Beth Chihill	Bob Kaczmarek
Michelle Ostrowski	Jane Hunter	Phil Symons
Jay Grabowsky	George Bennett	Kenny Mach
Patrick & Jennifer Kmitt	Jeff Lukas	Bill Zychowski
Laina Dachtal	Sam Bass	Paulette Lilli
Cherise Pacanovsky	Loretta Baldwin	Cecelia Hall
George Makovicka	Judy Alexin	Louise Moritz
Richard & Edna Samelson	Cathy Pieciak	Daniel Morgan
Ron & Jill Joreski	Bryson Dzurhoff	Sheri Sefcik
Rich Dombrowski	Shauna Smullen	Diane Black
Wojciech Federowicz	Stephanie Milla	Dan Ewanko
Kathleen Sobocinski	Caroline O’Connor	Linda Marks
Linda & Rick Duffy	Kim Penney	Greg Banaszak
James & Bobbi Moss	Nicole McGivern	Greg Hodor
Karsen Winter	Amanda Monyak	

ALL WHO ARE IN NURSING HOMES OR ASSISTED LIVING

ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED CLERGY NEEDING HEALING

ALL SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

Bless them, O Lord.

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