

St. Mary's Polish National Catholic Church

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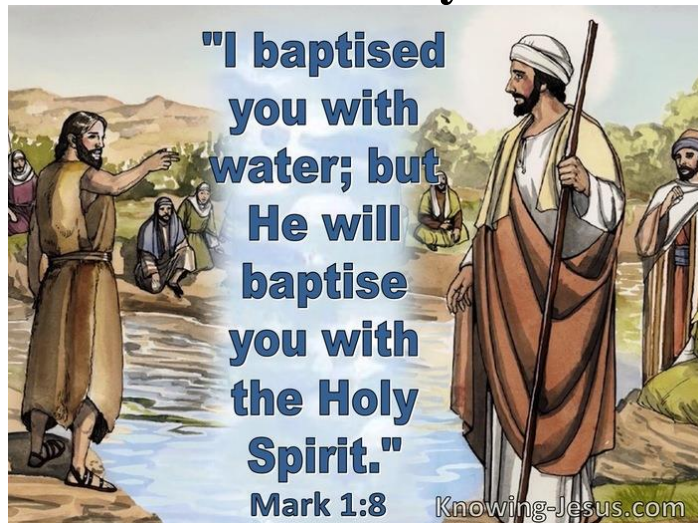
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The Second Sunday in Advent



December 10th, 2023

9am Mass: *Gene Mora (birthday) of. by daughter Cherie Kugler*

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; 2Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Lector – *Marzena Krulik*

Greeters – *Martha Repede & Barb Bogzevitz*

Collectors – *Gene Stepanik & John Kasperczyk*

- Oplatki blessed and 2nd Advent Candle lit at 9am mass
- Coffee Hour & SOCL follows 9am Mass
- Parish Meeting with elections takes place after 9am Mass
- 10:30am – Baptism of Brooklynn

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 11th

9am – Holy Mass of the Day – *St. Damascus of Rome, Bp.*

6:15pm – Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, December 12th

8am – Holy Mass – Solemnity of our Lady of Guadalupe – *Fr. P*

7pm – Cub Scout Pack #216 Meets

WEDNESDAY, December 13th

4pm – Weekly Food Ministry provided

6pm – Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, December 14th

6-8pm: Women's AA

FRIDAY, December 15th

9am – Holy Mass of the Day – *Nino, V.*

6pm – Polish School Christmas Party

Scout Christmas Party

SATURDAY, December 16th

11am-2pm – Cookie Sale – see announcement!

8pm - AA meets

SUNDAY, December 17th, 2023 – The 3rd Sunday in Advent

9am Mass: *Anthony Soltysiak (birthday) of. by Fr. Jason*

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11; 1Thess 5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28

Lector – *Barb Bogzevitz*

Greeters – *Katie Repede & Gail Perz*

Collectors – *Pete O'Connor & Bob Samelson*

- PTO Christmas Party takes place after 9am Mass
- 3:30pm – Bowling at Red Circle

Announcements

NEW LITURGICAL CYCLE –Advent brings about many changes – different vestments, a wreath, a time to collect thoughts in a season of preparation. It also brings about “Liturgical New Year,” that is, the readings are of a prophetic nature, the gospel begins in a new point of history (preparing for the coming of Christ), and the gospel is from (mainly) St. Mark after hearing from St. Matthew for the past year.

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

ADVENT RETREAT – Thank you to Fr. Jason, Fr. Greg, and Fr. Jim for leading our retreat and to all who attended, listened, and asked questions. We hope it added some insight to this unique season!

PARISH-WIDE MEETING – Takes place today to elect officers for the upcoming 2024 year. Please exercise our democratic right as a church member to attend and vote for our lay leaders.

BAKERS - St. Mary's will host a community Cookie Sale on December 16. We need an assortment of homemade cookies. Cookies will be sold by the pound. We ask that you bake 10+ dozen of your best cookies. Bar cookies and candy bark are also welcome. Elaine Repede has a sign-up sheet. Elaine R. and Susan Boehnlein are happy to answer questions.

FOOD COLLECTION – During Advent, we will have a guided food collection. There will be a collection table placed in the church, with non-perishable items needed to fill it! items will be donated to the Parma Hunger Center. For next Sunday, December 17, please bring packaged grains- pastas, cereals, rice, stuffing, instant potatoes, etc.

HOLIDAY KOLACZKI –Orders are being taken for Christmas Kolaczki at \$14 for two dozen, baked or unbaked - they will be available for pickup on Saturday, December 23 along with the Wigilia pickup. Please see Susan Boehnlein or Pattie Dotson.

OPLATKI–Blessed today, and placed on St. Joseph’s Altar. You may take however much you want – we just ask that you leave a donation in the basket. Since it is a blessed item, you are to use all of what you take and are not throw any of it away.

TAKE-HOME WIGILIA/WILIA – For a fourth year, we will hold our Wigilia Fundraiser. Not everyone has a family to be with, and not everyone has the time to cook. A care package, featuring meatless church-made & homemade favorites such as pierogi, mushroom soup, pickled beets, and more is

available “cold” in single-serving and family portions. Heating instructions for each item will be provided. See flyer.

CLOTHES DRIVE-Continues in the Fellowship Hall through Jan. 6.

PTO CHRISTMAS PARTY – Takes place Sunday, December 17. Baskets for the famous basket raffle will be set out each Sunday until the party – start purchasing your tickets today – they are great!

SOCK TREE- Has been planted in the back of the church, opposite the food collection. Please attach NEW socks, mittens, & hats to it!

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	Jo Orlovski
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 Dzuoff	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
Phil Symons	Karsen Winters	

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.

Poblogosław im, O Boże

UPCOMING

Dec 13 – Next Bible Study
Dec 16 – Cookie Sale
Dec 17 –PTO Christmas Party
Dec 17 – Next Bowling Day
Dec 23 – Wigilia pick-up
Jan 6-Clothes Collection Ends
Feb 14- Acme Collection Ends
Apr 18-19-Scholars Conf.