

Sunday December 11th – The Third Sunday of Advent

9am: for the parish

11am: dla parafia

Readings: Isaiah 35:1-6,10, James 5:7-10, Matthew 11:2-11

Lector – Bruce Bogzevitz

Greeters – Jeanette Chambers & Barb Bogzevitz

Collectors – Gene Stepanik & John Kobalka

- Lighting of the 3rd Candle of our Advent Wreath
- SOCL and Coffee Hour follow 9am Holy Mass
- 2pm – National Park Lecture by Gene Stepanik

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, December 12th

9am – Advent Weekday Holy Mass

10am-1pm – Office Hours

4:30pm – 1st Holy Communion Catechism Class

TUESDAY, December 13th

WEDNESDAY, December 14th

9am – Advent Rorate Mass to the BVM

6pm – Bible Study begins with soup, bread, and dessert

7:30pm – Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, December 15th

6-8pm – Women's AA meets

FRIDAY, December 16th

9am – Advent Weekday Holy Mass

Polish School meets in the evening

SATURDAY, December 17th

8-9pm – Parma Saturday Meets

SUNDAY, December 18th – The Fourth Sunday of Advent

9am: Emil Hronek of. by sister Claire Hunek

11am: dla parafia

Readings: Isaiah 7:10-14, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-24

Lector – Barb Bogzevitz

Greeters – Rose Kronen & Martha Repede

Collectors – Greg Hodor & John Kasperczyk

- Lighting of the 4th Candle of our Advent Wreath
- PTO Christmas Party & Basket Raffle follows 9am Mass
- ***3pm*** Bowling at Red Circle Lanes
- Choir Concert at St. Barbara RC Church – See Announcement

Announcements

NEW LITURGICAL CYCLE – The First Sunday in Advent brings much change – different vestments, a wreath, and a penitential season. It also brings about “Liturgical New Year: Cycle A” - the readings are of a prophetic nature, the gospel begins in a new point of history (preparing for the coming of Christ), and is from (mainly) St. Matthew.

CHOIR CONCERT – St. Mary's choir will be participating in a concert at St. Barbara's Parish (1505 Denison Ave, Cleveland) on Sunday, December 18 at 7pm. All parishioners and friends are invited to attend as we offer our selections before the assembled.

EARLY BOWLING – To accommodate our choir members, bowling will take place a half-hour earlier on Sunday, December 18. Bowlers, please be ready to roll and at Red Circle by 3pm. Also, it is the Christmas party, so please bring a snack and perhaps a gift!

OPLATKI – Opłatki was blessed at last week's 9am Mass and is available to be picked up. It is on St. Joseph's Altar- please consider a donation as you take your opłatki. Also, they are blessed – please eat all of what you take or feed it to the birds: do not throw it away.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS MEETING – Will take place between Masses on December 4th – This is a parish-wide meeting that will elect the upcoming officers for the Parish Committee/Board. If you are interested in serving in this capacity and have not been approached, please speak to Fr. Jason or Elaine Ploskonka...or nominate yourself!

WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE – The United YMSofR is calling for all parishes in the PNCC to have a winter clothing drive. Branch #29 would like to make sure we participate! Please see the flyers posted about how we can provide in this church-wide event. A bin has been placed in the Fellowship Hall, awaiting your donations.

BIBLE STUDY: will be focused on prayer as well as taking scenes and ideas from the 2015 movie, *The War Room*. Please join us!

KIELBASA – There is still some kielbasa available to be picked up in 1 & 2 pound packages – see a choir member.

LECTURE – Parishioner Gene Stepanik will be making a lecture at 2pm today, December 11 regarding Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Please attend this informative and sure-to-be fun event at our parish.

ADVENT FOOD COLLECTION – As per parish tradition, we ask that you allow some wiggle room in your budget to donate food items

UPCOMING

Dec 14 – Next Bible Study
Dec 18 – Bowling Sunday
Dec 20 – Sodality Cookie Day
Dec 21 – Bible Study
Dec 25 – Christmas!
Dec 27 – Parish Comm. Mtg.

to be donated to the Parma Hunger Center. For Sunday, Dec. 18th, please bring any non-perishable fruits and vegetables.

FOOD MINISTRY NEWS – Our monthly Food Ministry was held Wed., December 7. Many thanks to all who offered their time to serve the needs of our community. A total of 83 meals were served. This brings our 2016 total meals served at 955, just short of 80 per month. In January, we will serve meal number 5000(!) since the ministry began.

CANON/EUCHARISTIC PRAYER- Today, and for all of December, we use the 2nd Eucharistic Prayer, the Canon of St. Hippolytus.

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary's parishioners:

Barbara Baranowski	Len Pryer	John Spilka
Bill & Joan Kastak	Marty Bengela	Ralph & June Zaun
Stan Dobrowski	Anna Dawidziuk	Frank Dominik
Craig & Judy Atherton	Mary Ann Loschelder	Alison Jambor
Chester & Helen Budney	Floyd & Elaine Rzonca	Amy Dreger
Chester & Ann Warzala	Hilda Grabowski	Louise Cygan
Pat Glatzer	Tom Petrie	

Please pray for family and friends of St. Mary's:

Wanda Clark	Beth Chihill	Michael Cosevin
Helen Cummings	Jane Hunter	Nan Cramer
Jay Grabowsky	Pam Chesar	David Vaden
Joanel Rollen	Anne Komorowski	Jennifer Kmitt
Laina Dachtal	Bp. Stanley Bilinski	Bp. John Mack
Cherise Pacanovsky	Bp. John Swantek	Cecelia Hall
Fr. Gus Sicard	Sandra Kazinetz	Chris Minch
Elsa Vogl de Gomez	Edna Samelson	Jason Dreger
Wanda Heffner	Bryson Dzurhoff	Donna Micka
Chet Nezelkewicz	Rich Dombrowski	Greg Soucie
Coleen Howard	Bp. Thomas Gnat	George Pofok
Mark & Kim Andreas	Caroline O'Connor	Barbara Thome
Jeannie Bartko Muran	Marcus Vaughn Jr.	Doris Repede
Stephanie Milla	John Clark Sr.	Johanna Markiewicz
Abby Sobolewski	Pete Pavonne	Muffie B.
Dan Colwell	Shannon Alberino	Baby Emma

Also those who are in nursing homes or assisted living:

Shirley Paulus	Gene Mora	Polly Gajda
----------------	-----------	-------------

ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED CLERGY NEEDING HEALING
ALL SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

Lord, bring all service personnel safely home!!!

Bless them, O Lord.

Poblogoslaw im, O Boze

St. Mary's

Polish National Catholic Church

www.stmaryspncc.org

Email: stmarypncc@sbcglobal.net

5375 Broadview Road Parma, OH 44134

Office/Hall: 216-661-9246-Rectory: 216-741-8154

The Reverend Jason H. Soltysiak, Pastor

Frjason82@gmail.com

Elaine Ploskonka, Parish Committee Chair- elaineploskonka@gmail.com

The Third Sunday of Advent



The Preaching of John the Baptist

"History has not known a man born of woman greater than John the Baptist" (Matthew 11:11)

December 11, 2016

TO OUR VISITORS – We welcome you to St. Mary's today. Please consider joining us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. We hope you enjoyed your time with us and plan on worshipping with us again.