

Bulletin – Parish News

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December 11, 2011. **Third Sunday of Advent**

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Raymond Bielski, Parish Chairman Dawn Wassman, Music Minister

The better the hostess has prepared for a party, scrutinizing all the details, checking the guest list and making sure that nobody has been overlooked, the more likely her party will be a success. The better we plan a vacation the more guarantee we have that it will be a great one. It is a joy to prepare well for the visit of friends and to know that they have enjoyed it. Many people, though, want instant joy. They do not want to plan, to prepare, and to sacrifice. Moreover, they do not have the insight or the faith that service to others can be a source of joy!

One of the great contributions of Christianity is that it has brought “joy to the world.” This is even a well-known Christmas hymn! The Scripture readings of today deal with this joy. It is a joy that cannot be obtained overnight. It is a joy that is found in service. Christianity does not have the answer for all questions. But if you are yearning for real joy, happiness and peace of mind, you should prayerfully go over these readings.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

The Lord has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

- Where have you or might you bring glad tidings in your comings and goings today?

Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances.

- When have you been invited to give way to that gracious and compelling Spirit of Wisdom?

John was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

- In how many ways do you admit the light into your life, and then carry it to others?
- How do you know when it's time to decrease?

Question of the week: What message have you received from your observance of Advent to this point?

Faith Response

Practice becoming the word you preach so that you don't have to talk to be understood. Be kindness, generosity, compassion, and forgiveness. Be the gospel everyone around you can read.

HOLY MASSES

December 11, 2011. Third Sunday of Advent.

9:00AM Holy Mass for Stasia Korniloff req. by Marcia DelGreco and family.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

December 18, 2011. Fourth Sunday of Advent.

9:00AM Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: My soul rejoices in my God.

Young Women`s Guild Christmas Party will be held on Sunday December 11m, 2011 at 3:00PM in our parish auditorium.

Advent Tree: In this season of giving, please remember your parish. The giving tree is located in the church vestibule along with a "wish" list of the parish's needs. Please choose an item, and either purchase the item, or a check can be given to a member of the parish committee or Fr. Greg.

Memorial Candles will be available for the Christmas Holidays. Memorial Cards are available in the Church vestibule. Memorial Candles may be designated in memory of deceased parents, family members and friends. Memorial Cards should be returned by December 18, 2011

Christmas Wafers "Oplatki" are available in the Parish Hall.

As in the past, we will be having our *Remembrance Tree*. Bring an ornament with a loved ones name on it and hang it on the tree during the Christmas Eve or Christmas morning Mass.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Marian Sowa, Caren Lagerstrom, Donald Forrester, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Catherin & Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

Parish dues... Parish books will be closed for 2011. If you didn't pay them, please do it next Sunday. As Church Constitutional responsibility, our Parish Committee is obliged to send notices to any of our parishioners found to be one year or more behind in their parish dues, asking them if they wish to retain their membership in the Church. This becomes necessary, in order to keep our parish records up-to-date, as well as the census of the entire Church.

BEEFSTEAK DINNER: Saturday, January 07, 2012; doors open at 6:30pm, beef served at 7:30pm. Tickets \$40 per person. Advance reservations only. Limited to first 150 responses. Contact Leslie Pietrowitz at 201-393-0696 for tickets and information.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.

If you wish to order a poinsettia plant, please return this form with check or cash by December 18 to the church office, or drop it in the offering plate.

I would like to give ____ poinsettia(s) at \$10.00 each

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____