



**HOLY TRINITY  
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**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

**(unless otherwise announced)**

**Sunday :** Holy Mass ..... 9:00 AM ..... In the English language

Daily : Morning Prayer ... 8:45 AM

Holy Mass ..... 9:00 AM

**Confessions:** Second Sunday of the Month .... 8:15 AM

**Marriage:** 6 months prior arrangement

**Baptisms :** by appointment

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December 31, 2023

**SOLEMNITY OF THE HUMBLE SHEPHERDS  
UROCZYŚĆ UBOGICH PASTERZY**

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**Scripture Insights**

Today's first reading projects rich images and the poetic phrases of the coming Messiah as written by Isaiah the Prophet. Isaiah says that the people of the whole earth is coming carrying the peoples' reward with him. The people are about to be redeemed and made holy and that there God would frequent them with His presence. They who felt so lost and forgotten would never feel forsaken again. The power and graciousness of God brings rejoicing. And we know that the most amazing feat of all is that it is a Child brings this about;

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**WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL PARISH**

If this is your first visit with us, please sign our guest register in the vestibule and join us for a cake and coffee fellowship that follows every Sunday Mass and on various feast days of the Church year.

Holy Trinity Cathedral Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church has been an integral part of the Manchester and Southern New Hampshire community for 108 years meeting the religious needs first for the Polish immigrant community, and later for all residents of the Granite State. We hope to continue our growth in service to God and community. This commitment manifests itself in a regular devotional and prayer life and a greater participation in both ecumenical and community activities.

At Holy Trinity Cathedral PARISH, our primary emphasis is on the PARISH family. All who belong sense this family spirit - expressed in a real love and concern for one another. Our pastor makes a point to know each family on a one-to-one basis with frequent visits to family homes and to the hospitalized. Thus the spiritual health and vitality of all parishioners and all our friends is supported by both pastor and laity.

***We invite You to join our PARISH family!*** If you are looking for a PARISH and are considering Holy Trinity, feel free to talk with any parishioner about it. We will introduce you to our family in all its wonderful aspects - a family whose real strength lies in our personal and real relationship to Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. We express this faith in our Church through our liturgy which is Catholic and traditional, shared between priest and laity. We demonstrate this faith in the prayerful material and emotional support we give one another. We share this faith in a Church rooted in Democratic principles, having a church constitution that gives laity full rights and due process in matters financial, administrative and material.

OUR PARISH...firm in faith, Catholic, democratic, and OPEN to the growth that comes as more join our family.

**MAKE YOURSELF RIGHT AT HOME!**

**SCHEDULE OF REGULAR ACTIVITIES**

*(Unless otherwise announced - Many meetings cancelled due to Covid-19)*

**Parish Committee Meeting** every third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

**The Cemetery Committee** meets as needed

**Lectors, Greeters, Ushers, Collectors ministries** as announced in the bulletin

**Moms in Prayer** meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 AM in the rectory

**Membership and Outreach Team** meets as announced in the bulletin

**Ladies Society of the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament** meets the 3rd Sunday of the month after the 9:00 AM Mass (September - June)

**Holy Trinity Seniors** will resume at a later date

**The Frederick Chopin Choir** rehearses each Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM and holds meetings as announced

**Adult Bible Study** - Bi-weekly Wednesdays 7:00 PM Zoom & In Person

**Parishioners Prayer Group** - Thursdays at 11:30 AM in the Craft Room

## EVANGELISM TEAM MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to increase attendance and membership to Holy Trinity Cathedral by fostering a welcoming and respectful environment, where individuals and families can explore and achieve spiritual fulfillment.

*We are looking for ideas, any ideas, that can stimulate and increase participation in both the worship and parochial life of Holy Trinity Parish. Is there something you have seen, or experienced in another Church that you think might work well here? Have you had an idea for some time, but were afraid to share it? If you have an idea, no matter what it may be, please pray over it and then share it with either:*

Mr. Ray Pieczarka 603-472-5874 or Bishop Paul 603-622-4524.

### WELCOME - TO ALL VISITORS

You are most welcome and your presence is appreciated. All are invited to share in worship and, after Mass, our fellowship. If the people around you fail to say "hello" first, go up to them and say "Hi!" And don't feel awkward. We've all been in those shoes at one time or another. We want you to join us. **So Welcome Home!**



### HTC Membership and Outreach Team Is Inviting YOU Join in an outreach

Our Parish Evangelism Team will be reorganizing in the near future. Known as the "Membership and Outreach" Team, our hope is that a number of our parishioners would like to be a part of an exciting opportunity to help develop programs and liturgies that will spread the Word to others outside our community, and also engage in Internal Evangelism within our parish family.

If **YOU** are interested in reaching out to others for the Lord you are invited to contact either Ray Pieczarka at (603) 472-5874 or Bishop Paul at 622-4524.

IN BISHOP'S ABSENCE AND FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY,  
PLEASE CALL FATHER ANDRZEJ TENUS OF ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH IN  
LOWELL, MA. PH. # (978) 453-0742

### SAINT COMMEMORATIONS THIS WEEK

We invite our readers to continue reading the history of the lives of the saints that are remembered by the Church this week. Follow the hyperlink below to learn to learn about those saints remembered by the Church this week.

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**Sunday, December 24th** - We thank the following who provided for our Cake and Coffee Reception last Sunday: Jennie Grenier (Bagels and Cream Cheese, Cranberry Bars); Karen Sobiechowski (Tangerines, Gingerbread Cookies); Karen Testerman (German Chocolate Cake); James Morin (Mince Pie); Kathy Card (Deviled Eggs, Assorted Cookies); Wendy Thomas (Reindeer Drops).

As always, thanks also to all who donated towards cake & coffee offerings



Check out our diocesan website:

[www.easterndiocesepnc.com](http://www.easterndiocesepnc.com)

You can reach it on your computer or with your smart phone.

WE'RE ON FACEBOOK - LIKE US AT:

<https://www.facebook.com/holytrinitycathedralpnc>

We have our own website up and running with Larry Gagnon as webmaster:

<http://www.holytrinitypnc.org/>



**Polish National  
Catholic Church**

"through the years..."

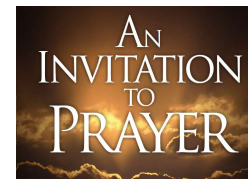
### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

06 - Lisa Tazbir 10 - Stasia Swiadas 11 - Nancy Hanagan  
19 - Phyllis Piecuch 24 - Phyllis Heaney

### SOUP FOR SENIORS

Last week the Seniors who stayed for the Cake and Coffee reception were treated to eight pints of soup through the Soup for Seniors Program sponsored by our HTC Frederick Chopin Choir. Wendy Thomas provided White Borscht and Mini-Babkas. We hope it was both pleasing and delicious.

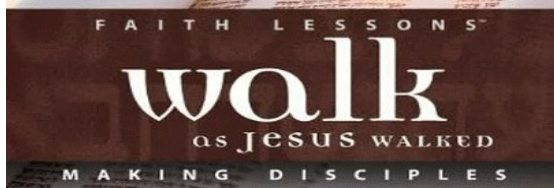
What delicious treat will our seniors enjoy this Sunday?



Parishioners are praying jointly for our parish family. You are invited to join them. Prayer gatherings are held Thursdays at 11:30 AM. Time commitment is about 45 minutes a week.

The prayer time is structured and Scripture-based. No advance preparation required. You only need to show up. Contact Karen Sobiechowski for questions or if you would like to participate.





**OUR PARISH ADULT BIBLE STUDY** is a Zoom & face to face study in the Craft Room. The next scheduled study date will be this Tuesday, **January 2, 2024 at 7 PM.** Studies generally last one hour to one and one half hours. If you want to join in the study in person, simply show up. If you join in on Zoom you'll need to ask Bishop Paul for the Zoom link. Study sheets will be sent to all our HTC internet family prior to the study.

**TODAY** we ask our parish family to pray for:

**Rev. Zbigniew Talaga,**  
his family and the faithful of  
**Saint Mary of the Assumption Mission Parish**  
**Lublin, Wisconsin**  
and

**Very Rev. Joseph Soltysiak,**  
his family and the faithful of  
**Saint Joseph's Parish**  
**Westfield, Massachusetts.**

We ask God to bless them in their parochial life and the work they do in their local community. We ask you to pray each day that God would bless and increase their work of evangelism and Christian sharing.



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**LECTIONARY READINGS - SECOND WEEK OF CHRISTMASTIDE**

**Mon.** Gen. 17: 9 - 14 / Gal 5: 3 - 6      **Thu.** - 1 John 3 : 7 - 10  
Luke 2: 21      John 1: 35 - 42

**Tue.** - Ex. 3: 13 - 15 / Phil. 2: 5 - 11      **Fri.** - 1 John 3: 11 - 21  
Matthew 1: 18 - 25      John 1: 43 - 51

**Wed.** - 1 John 2: 29 - 3: 6      **Sat.** - Is. 60: 1 - 6 / Eph. 3: 2 - 3, 5 - 6  
John 1: 29 - 34      Matthew 2: 1 - 12

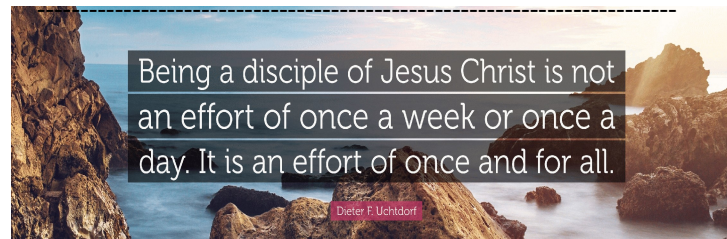
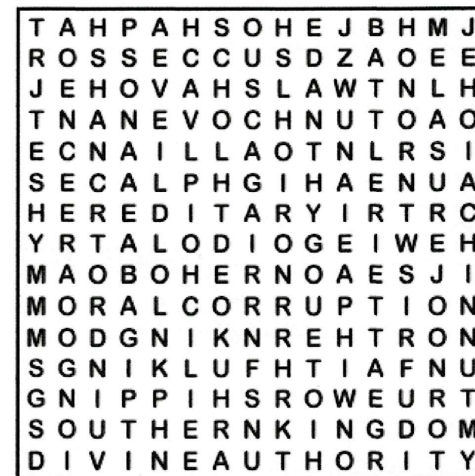
**Next Sun.** - Isaiah 42: 1 - 4, 6 - 7 / Psalm 29: 1 - 2, 3 - 4, 3, 9 - 10  
Acts 10: 34 - 38 / Mark 1: 7 - 11

**Bible Word Search:**

**KINGS OF JUDAH**

All the words listed below are in the puzzle - left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and click its first letter then its last letter to highlight it. After you have found all the words, click the leftover letters in the correct order to spell the *Mystery Word*. To work the puzzle on paper instead: Print this page and circle each letter of the words you find.

- Ahaz      Alliance
- Battle      Covenant
- Divine authority
- Hereditary      High places
- Honor      Idolatry
- Jehoiachin      Jehoshaphat
- Jehovah's law
- Jerusalem      Moral corruption
- Northern kingdom
- Rehoboam      Reign
- Royal      Saul
- Southern kingdom
- Successor      True worshipping
- Unfaithful kings      Wrath



**Prayer Shines a Light**

In its fullness, prayer is an encounter with God that transforms the way we see and interact with the world. It is like a bright light that reveals what we otherwise do not see: When we wear glasses or look through a window away from the light, we can believe that the glass is perfectly clean. But turn our perspective and hold it up to the light, all of a sudden we are able to see smudges, scratches, and cracks that have been there all along but completely hidden to our normal consciousness. That is the effect that an encounter with God can have on our lives. When we stop for a moment the desire to convince God to give us what we want and simply encounter God—to aim our full attention at the light itself rather than using it to see what we want—our focus becomes clear. All of a sudden, we see ourselves and the world the way God does... and for the first time know that things are not the way that they should be. Something needs to change. Often, that something is us.

—from the book *Called: What Happens after Saying Yes to God*  
by Casey Cole, OFM

**PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:**

In the Hospital:

**Clergy Who Are ill:**

*Father Senior Joseph Soltysiak* in Westfield, MA  
*Father Paul Zomerfeld* serving in Johnstown, PA  
*Father Senior Augustin Sicard* in San Antonio, TX

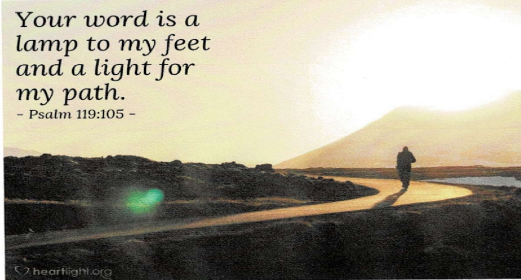
**In nursing homes & rehab centers:**

*Charlotte Raczka* at Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen, NH  
*Barbara Bukowski* at Villa Crest Healthcare Center, Manchester, NH  
*Frances Dobosz* at Bowman Place in Bedford, NH  
*Vudge Ambrose* at Mt. Carmel Nursing Home, Manchester, NH

**at home:**

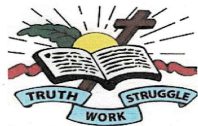
*Emilia DeVore* at Saint Teresa's Independent Living in Manchester, NH  
*Phyllis Piecuch* at home in Manchester, NH  
*Nancy Montplaisir* at home in Manchester, NH  
*David Greene* at home in Temple Terrace, FL  
*Meg Sheha* in Hollywood, FL

Please join us in prayer on Wednesdays at noon, wherever you are:



O merciful God, grant that we may hear Your words with willing hearts and apply ourselves to fulfill them. May we progress toward perfection, and, after completing our earthly pilgrimage, may we be united with You in eternity. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (from the PNCC Liturgy for Word of God Sunday)

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.



This Month's bulletins are being sponsored by:

**LYNN HEBERT**

*in loving memory of my parents Chester & Tillie Kaminski*

If you would like to help your parish and be acknowledged for your gift consider sponsoring the weekly bulletin. For a \$ 100 donation (*increased costs*) we will acknowledge your sponsorship and the \$1,200 we can raise annually we hope to generate will just about cover the cost of our bulletin. Please consider sponsoring one month today.

*JANUARY 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by LYNN HEBERT*

*in loving memory of my aunt Joan Kaminski*

*FEBRUARY 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by MARY ANN KISKA*

*in loving memory of my husband, Stanley Kiska*

*MARCH 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by DAVID and LAURIE GREENE*

*in loving memory of our deceased parents and siblings.*

*APRIL 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by EDWARD RACZKA*

*in loving memory of Wanda, John and Stanley Raczka*

*MAY 2024 & 2025 & 2026 bulletins will be sponsored by CAROL JUTRAS & FAMILY*

*in loving memory of my husband Raymond and mother Mary Zukosky*

*JUNE 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by PAULINE PIECUCH*

*in loving memory of my loving husband Eugene Piecuch*

*JULY 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by BRIAN DUPLESSIS*

*in loving memory of wife Leslie*

*SEPTEMBER 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by JOSEPH KOMISAREK*

*in loving memory of wife Louise and son Daniel Komisarek*

*OCTOBER 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by JACQUELINE SZOPA*

*in loving memory of my aunt and uncle, Valerie and Benedict Grzybowski*

*NOVEMBER 2024 bulletins will be sponsored by JACQUELINE SZOPA*

*in loving memory of my husband Dr. Ronald F. Szopa*

*And future bulletins will be sponsored by WHOM??*

***In this New Year, hear the words of Saint Patrick: "Turn trustingly to the Lord who is my God. Put your faith in Him with all your heart, because nothing is impossible to Him."***

**The 2024 contributions envelopes are here and are located on a table on the first floor, outside the elevator. Please pickup your envelopes at your earliest convenience!**

**Thank you.**

**Ray Pieczarka - Parish Committee Chairperson**

## MASS INTENTIONS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

\* Indicates All Souls Day Offering

### **THIS SUNDAY, December 31st, 2023 (Niedziela Dzisiejsza)**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF THE HUMBLE SHEPHERDS**

#### **UROCZYSTOŚĆ UBOGICH PASTERZY**

**Memorial of Columba of Sens - *Virgin, Martyr***

9:00 AM Holy Mass

Prayer Intention:

open intention

10:15 AM Annual Pastor's Open House - Bishop Paul and Karen invite everyone in Church to a holiday brunch prepared in the auditorium

#### **VIGIL OF THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD**

#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE**

5:30 PM Traditional Vespers closing the Old Year

### **MONDAY, January 1st, 2024 (Poniedziałek)**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF THE CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD**

#### **UROCZYSTOŚĆ OBRZEZANIA PAŃSKIEGO**

**Memorial of Telemachus - *Martyr***

10:00 AM Holy Mass

### **TUESDAY, January 2nd, 2024 (Poniedziałek)**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS**

#### **UROCZYSTOŚĆ IMIENIA PAŃSKIEGO**

**Memorial of Adelard of Corbie - *Abbot***

7:30 AM Moms in Prayer meet in the rectory

8:45 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Holy Mass

7:00 PM HTC Zoom & face-to-face Bible Study in the craft room

### **WEDNESDAY, January 3rd, (Środa)**

**Memorial of Peter Balsam - *Martyr***

8:45 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Holy Mass

12:00 PM Eastern Diocese faithful join to offer prayer for our parishes, diocese & the General Church

6:30 PM Parish Choir Meeting and Rehearsal

### **THURSDAY, January 4th, (Czwartek)**

**Memorial of Rigobert of Rheims - *Bishop***

8:45 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Holy Mass

11:30 AM Eastern Diocese Faithful Join in Prayer for their parishes, diocese and Church

11:30 AM Greater Manchester Clergy Association Meeting - Temple Adath Yeshurun - *Bishop Paul attends*

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## MASS INTENTIONS AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK *(continued)*

### **FRIDAY, January 5th, (Piątek)**

**Memorial of Syncletica - *Virgin***

8:45 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Holy Mass

### **SATURDAY, January 6th, (Sobota)**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY**

#### **UROCZYSTOŚĆ OBJAWIENIA PAŃSKIEGO**

**Memorial of Erminold - *Abbot***

8:45 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Holy Mass

### **NEXT SUNDAY, January 7th, (Niedziela Przyszła)**

#### **SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**

#### **UROCZYSTOŚĆ CHRTU PAŃSKIEGO**

**Memorial of Tillo of Solinac - *Priest, Confessor***

*sp. Prime Bishop John Swantek - 01-07-2022*

9:00 AM Holy Mass

Prayer Intention:

open intention

10:15 AM Cake and Coffee Reception following Mass in the auditorium

## COMING EVENTS

### **JANUARY 2024**

- Mon. Jan 8** - PNA Council 303 Zoom meeting - 06:30 PM  
Eastern Diocese Strategic Planning Commission Zoom Meeting - 07:00 PM
- Tue. Jan. 9** - Moms in Prayer meets in the rectory - 7:30 AM  
PNCC Bishops' bi-weekly Zoom meeting - 1:00 PM  
Eastern Diocese Mission & Evangelism Zoom Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Wed. Jan. 10** - Eastern Diocese Faithful Join in Prayer: for our parish, diocese and general church - 11:30 AM  
Parish Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 PM  
**2026 General Synod Planning Committee Zoom Meeting** - 7:00 PM
- Thu. Jan 11** - Parishioners Praying for the HTC Parish Family - 11:30 AM  
Eastern Diocese Zoom "**Know Your Faith, Grow in Christ**" led by Deacon Justin Daviault - "**Holy Scripture in the Life of the Faithful**" - 7:00 PM
- Sun. Jan. 14** - **SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**Holy Mass** - 9:00 AM  
Cake & Coffee Reception (auditorium) - 10:15 AM
- Mon. Jan. 15** - **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - FEDERAL HOLIDAY**
- Tue. Jan. 16** - Moms in Prayer meets in the rectory - 7:30 AM



COMING EVENTS (continued)

- Wed. Jan 17 - Wed. Jan 18 - Anglican / PNCC Dialogue Meeting - St. Timothy's Anglican Church - Charleston, SC** (Bp. Paul attends)
- Wed. Jan. 17** - Eastern Diocese Faithful Join in Prayer: for our parish, diocese and general church - 12:00 PM  
Parish Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 PM
- Thu. Jan. 18** - **FEAST OF PETER'S CHAIR AT ANTIOCH**  
**Beginning of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**  
Parishioners Praying for the HTC Parish Family - 6:15 PM  
Parish Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Fri. Jan. 19** - **sp. Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski - 01-19-2018**
- Sun. Jan. 21** - **THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**Holy Mass** - 9:00 AM  
Cake & Coffee Reception (auditorium) - 10:15 AM  
A.N.S. Meeting in the Craft Room - 10:45 AM  
A.N.S. Installation Luncheon at T-Bones - 12:30 PM
- Tue. Jan 23** - **New Hampshire Primary Election Day**  
Moms in Prayer meets in the rectory - 7:30 AM  
Adult Face-to-Face / Zoom Bible Study in the Craft Room - 7:00 PM
- Wed. Jan. 24** - Eastern Diocese Faithful Join in Prayer: for our parish, diocese and general church - 12:00 PM  
Parish Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 PM
- Thu. Jan. 25** - **FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL**  
**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends**  
Parishioners Praying for the HTC Parish Family - 11:30 AM  
National Youth Commission Zoom meeting - 7:00 PM
- Sat. Jan. 27** - Eastern Diocese Clergy Conference - Divine Providence Parish - Norwich, CT - 10:30 AM
- Sun. Jan. 28** - **SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY (Pre-Lent 1)**  
**Holy Mass** - 9:00 AM  
**MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY**  
Cake & Coffee Reception (auditorium) - 10:15 AM  
Annual Parish Meeting (auditorium) - 10:30 AM
- Tue. Jan 30** - Moms in Prayer meets in the rectory - 7:30 AM
- Wed. Jan. 31** - Eastern Diocese Faithful Join in Prayer: for our parish, diocese and general church - 12:00 PM  
Parish Choir Rehearsal - 6:30 PM
- Thu. Feb. 1** - **sp. Bishop Valentine Gawrychowski - 021-01-1934**  
Parishioners Praying for the HTC Parish Family - 11:30 AM
- Fri. Feb. 2** - **SOLEMNITY OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD**  
**Holy Mass & Blessing of Candles** - 9:00 AM  
Parishioners Praying for the HTC Parish Family - 11:30 AM
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His Kingdom will be forever. The psalmist calls on the Israelites to rejoice, for our saving God has come! All the nations, all of creation—the earth and the seas—are to join in the rejoicing. Singing this psalm fills us with joy as we, too, celebrate the coming of the Lord of salvation.

In his letter to Titus, Paul affirms that the grace of God has already been bestowed on believers. They can live as those whose hope of salvation is already assured by the Lord. In this expectation they (and we) enter another time of waiting—for the coming of the Lord in glory in the future. Until then they are to live devoutly and justly.

Luke's account of the birth of Jesus is one of the most familiar texts of the New Testament. The details are so familiar. This humble scene has inspired centuries of art, from great masterpieces to the school pageant. Luke situates the birth of Jesus in the course of history and in the midst of the everyday public life of secular rulers and humble shepherds alike. But this is no ordinary birth event. The child is "of the house and family of David." He is the fulfillment of God's promise that has stirred the hearts of God's people for generations. The humble surroundings point to the nature of Jesus' mission, and the future of human-kind is forever changed in this night.

- What names for the Messiah in today's readings appeal to you?
- What might prevent a person from entering into the full joy of the Nativity?
- If you can, listen to Handel's Messiah; what does it convey to you about this holy time?

**Practice of Faith**

Who are today's shepherds? Migrant workers, like shepherds, rely on the land and labor to make their hardscrabble living. God has always chosen humble people to receive and transmit the Good News.

- Some parishes send teams to migrant camps to care for physical and spiritual needs. See if a parish in your area has such a ministry and find a way to help. Those who visit camps often say they are touched by the deep faith of migrant people.
- Pray for migrants, not just for their needs, but for our capacity to be open to what they have to teach about faith and life.

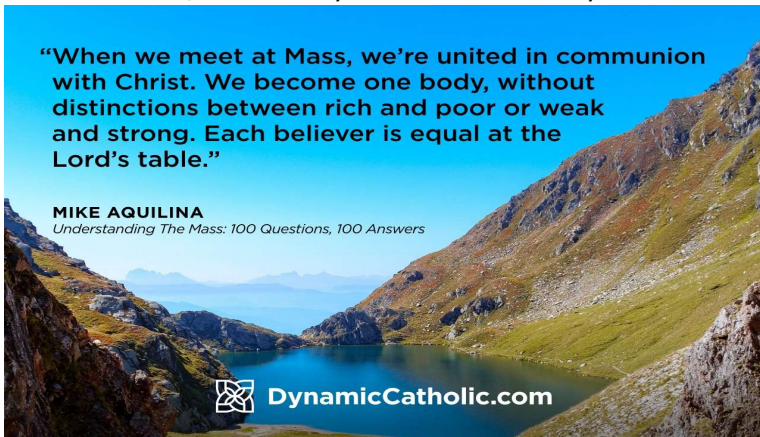
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**Questions**

- We hear that Mary “kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.” Do you recall about things that happened during this Christmas time and in Christmases in the past and how have they affected your Christian walk today?
- Consider the shepherds of today’s Gospel that glorified and praised God for all they had seen and heard. How can you glorify and praise God during this Christmas season? What have you seen and heard?
- What have you done during this Christmas Time to care for the marginalized? Like the angels in Luke’s story, how could you proclaim the Good News to the shepherds of our time?

**Family Activities**

- Many people find the celebration of Christmas to be a hardship. Are there people in your community who have recently lost a loved one or who live alone? Consider inviting them to join your holiday festivities or arrange a visit with them.
- This past week of Christmas we commemorated the feasts of St. Stephen, the first martyr; St. John, the evangelist; and the Holy Innocents. Pray for all those who have undergone martyrdom, for all involved in evangelization, and for innocent children who have been snatched from their mothers’ wombs.
- This is the sixth day of Christmas. Find the text of the carol “the Twelve Days of Christmas” and search out the Christians meaning all the gifts represent. A good place to start is at the website: <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/resources/advent/custom-s-and-traditions/the-history-of-the-twelve-days-of-christmas>



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SERVING IN OUR MILITARY:**

All clergy serve in the United States Army  
 CPT. Father Andrew Bilinski  
 LT. COL. Father Stanley Jasiurkowski  
 CPT. Father Joseph Kolek  
 CPT. Father Andrzej Tenus



**Polish National Catholics & Family Members serving**

MSG. Aleka Ramoutar  
 CMDR. Vincent Chernesky  
 Major. Scott M. Krasko  
 SSGT. Nick Hudak  
 Carter Gentilhomme  
 Alyssa Oxley  
 Vincent Manzella  
 Gregory Walsh  
 James Pidgeon  
 Andrew Drada  
 Tyler Gardner  
 Ian and Cody Gonyea  
 Matthew Paluszek

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 NAVY  
 ARMY  
 AIR FORCE RESERVE  
 ARMY NATIONAL GUARD  
 AIR FORCE  
 AIR FORCE  
 MARINE CORPS  
 MARINE CORPS  
 MICHIGAN AIR NATIONAL GUARD  
 NAVY  
 NAVY  
 COAST GUARD

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVE



Our Group of volunteers who dressed the Cathedral for the Christmas Season.



SHEPHERD'S MASS - PASTERKA - CHRISTMAS EVE 2024



Frederick Chopin Choir Prelude Concert



Bishop Paul Preaches the Christmas Sermon



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