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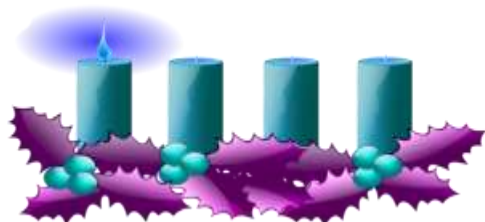
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Sunday, December 3rd, 2017

First Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Harmonia Choir Practice

7:50 AM General Confession & Absolution

8:00 AM Holy Mass

Lector: Nancy Pokriki

9:30 AM Coffee Hour Hosts – The Barnes Family

9:30 AM School of Christian Living Class

9:30 AM Adult Bible Class

10:30 AM Harmonia Choir Practice

10:50 AM General Confession & Absolution

11:00 AM Holy Mass

Lector: Richard Jones

Monday, December 4th

Barbara, V., M.

8:00 AM +Rose Borucki, By Daughter Alice
Nowak and Family

8:00 AM Bingo Kitchen Workers Report

9:00 AM Bingo Team 1 Workers Report

11:30 AM Bingo

7:00 PM Harmonia Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, December 5th

Sabas, Ab.,

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal at HMRC

Wednesday, December 6th

Nicholas of Myra, Bp & Doctor

8:00 AM **Rorate Mass to the BVM**

6:00 PM Parish Committee Meeting

6:30 PM A New Horizon Meeting – Parent and
Family Opiate Support Group

Thursday, December 7th

Ambrose of Milan, Bp., M.

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

9:00 AM Seniors – Fish Fry Preparations

7:00 PM Contemporary Group Practice

Friday, December 8th

8:00 AM +Daniel Haniszewski (B.D.),
By Lisinski Family

9:00 AM **Solemnity-Conception of the BVM**
4-7:00 PM Fish Fry

Saturday, December 9th

Leocadia, V., M.

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

1:00 PM Confirmation Class

Sunday, December 10th, 2017

Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Contemporary Choir Practice

8:00 AM Holy Mass / Contemporary Group

Lector: Jenna Lightcap

9:15 AM Parish Budget & Calendar Meeting

Coffee Hour Host - Parish Committee

9:30 AM SOCL and Adult Bible Class

11:00 AM Holy Mass / Contemporary Group /
Baptism of Luca Orlando

Lector: Alexis Drakulich

DECEMBER PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS

8:00 AM Debbie & Gerry Ruzsala
11:00 AM Christel Saxon & Jan McJury



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER BROTHERS AND SISTERS

Lord, look upon our friends and family with the eyes of your mercy and let Your healing hand rest upon them, restoring them to wholeness & strength for service in Your Kingdom.

Sherry Mack, Kelly Grochowiak, Marion Woch, John Malthaner, Jean Dlonosod, Ed Miller, Joseph Ratke, Brian Richeal, Sharon Albrechcinski, Fran Szczerbiak, James Szalwinski, John Kamholz, Stella Jasiura, Dona Sobotka, Gregory Berger, Bruce Derry, Colleen Crane, Jean Salzmann, Lottie Kowalow, Norman Gaca.

Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski – Father Baker Manor, 6400 Powers Rd., Rm# 523, Orchard Park, NY 14127

Ed Dudek – Garden Gate Health Care Facility, 2365 Union Rd., Rm#17, Cheektowaga, NY 14227



CHRISTMAS SHUT IN LIST

Enclosed is an **updated** list of parishioners who are either in nursing homes, cannot travel to church or are shut-in's. During this Christmas Season please remember them in your prayers, send them a greeting card, or pay them a visit!



STW #58	-	\$740.00
Brown #55	-	\$1,000.00
Bonus Ball	-	\$261.00
Queen of Hearts	-	\$6,248.00

2018 LITURGICAL CALENDAR



The 2018 Liturgical Calendars are available and in the vestibule for the taking-compliments of the Barron Miller Funeral Home. Thank you to Ed

Miller and all at Barron Miller for their generosity!



BELL CHOIR PERFORMANCE

Sunday, December 17, 2017 –

3:00 PM the Bell Choir will perform at Brookdale Orchard Glen, 6055 Armor Duells Rd., Orchard Park, NY. Please join us as other members of our church will be participating in this Christmas Program!!



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

The Christmas Giving Tree is up and we encourage you to take a tag and purchase a gift for a **needy child in our community**. The tags specify the age and gender of the child. **Deadline** to place your gift(s) under the tree is no later than **Tuesday, December 12th**. The Lancaster Youth Bureau will then distribute the gifts to families in time for Christmas!



OPLAKI/CHRISTMAS WAFER

Packets of Christmas wafers are available in the church vestibule for \$3.00 each. Each packet contains 5 wafers.



UNITED Y.M.S. of R. WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

The Y.M.S. of R. Board is calling on all Y.M.S. of R. Branches and PNCC Churches to be Christ to your community with a Winter Clothing Drive. **Needed:** Articles of clothing to help dull the winter chill. **Your Reward:** A good deed that reflects the love of Jesus. **The drive will conclude** on January 7, 2018. **In need of:** Coats, hats, gloves, pants, sweatshirts, socks, t-shirts, and underclothes. Collection boxes are in the hallway near the Parish Center entrance.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Due to your great response we were able to package 73 shoeboxes and send \$915.00 to Samaritan's Purse. What a great way to help many children have a special Christmas and to open their eyes to the Word of the Lord. Please see the enclosed insert for more details. May God bless you for your kindness, The Cathedral Youth Association



PARISH BOWLING LEAGUE

The parish-bowling league is looking for interested bowlers! The league will begin Sunday, January 7th, 2018 and continue for 10 sessions every other week at the Wimbledon Lanes in W. Seneca. Come join us for the fun and fellowship during the long winter months! The sign-up is in the vestibule. Any questions call Don Barnes @ 677-2705 or Bob Giczowski @ 783-9596.



Richard Kowalewski 12/5, Emily Ratka 12/5, Jessica Benbenek 12/8, Daisy Woch 12/8, and Bernice Makowski 12/10. **Sto Lat! 100 Years!**

HMRC CONCERT SERIES



THE ALDEN ECUMENTIAL CHOIR

The Alden Ecumenical Choir will perform its Christmas concert entitled **"VERY VIVALDI!"** on **Saturday, Dec. 16th, at 7:00 PM** at the Cathedral. The very popular Vivaldi **"Gloria"** will be performed with piano, harpsichord and a string quintet. Additional music includes a Christmas Carol Medley and songs of the season. A free-will offering will be collected to benefit local not-for-profit organizations. A holiday reception will follow. **Donations of baked goods and help to set up for the reception would be greatly appreciated!**

NOTE! Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year. Due to the Vigil and Shepherds masses being on the "same day" – we will consolidate the normal Sunday masses (8 & 11 AM) to **ONE MASS** at 9 AM that day. Thanks and spread the word to others.

MASS LITURGIES FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve Masses (Sunday)

- 4:00 PM Vigil Mass** /Contemporary Choir
- 10:30 PM Carols of the Season**
Harmonia Choir and Bell Choir
- 11:00 PM Shepherd's Mass**

Christmas Day Mass (Monday)

10:00 AM Mass / Harmonia Choir

KUDOS TO THE KIDS



David Russo competed in his final cross country season for Depew High School. David had a great season, finishing in first place in his division in ECIC's and in third place for Sectionals. David's race at Sectionals led him to qualify for the State Cross Country Meet. David finished in 34th place out of 130 runners (Top 25%). **Congratulations** David on a great cross country season! Kudos to **Matthew Russo** who was chosen to participate in the Area All-State Music Festival which he auditioned for last Spring. Matthew was one of two students to play his bass clarinet with the symphonic orchestra. **Great job** Matthew! **Ashton Drakulich** who is a sophomore at West Seneca East High School was a member of the Girls' Varsity swim team this fall, where she qualified and competed at both the ECIC's Swimming and Diving Championships and the NYSPHSAA Section VI Sectionals for the 500 freestyle. Ashton's coach nominated her as the team's October Athlete of the Month for her "great work ethic in & out of the pool". In October, Ashton was also selected as the Fire Prevention Queen for South Line Volunteer Fire Co. for 2017-2018. **Way to go** Ashton! **Alexis Drakulich** currently attends West Seneca East Middle School as an 8th grader, where she is a member of the co-ed Modified Swim team. Lexi also plays travel softball with the Cheektowaga Crush 14U team, and is presently in offseason indoor training. She is in studies for making her Confirmation. **Yeah...Alexis!!** Congratulations to our kids.... keep the good news coming!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS



Envelopes for your Christmas flower donations are located in the vestibule of the church for your convenience, or you may use your weekly envelope and write flowers in the line that says other and the amount of your donation.

COMING EVENTS

- Saturday, December 16th** - Alden Area Ecumenical Concert, "Very Vivaldi", 7:00 PM
- Sunday, December 17th** – Bell Choir Performance @ Brookdale Orchard Glen, 6055 Armour Duells Rd., Orchard Park, 3:00 PM
- Tuesday, December 19** – Bell Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM at HMRC



SUNDAY MASSES: 8 AM & 11 AM - DAILY 8 AM
SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE: SATURDAY 5 PM & SUNDAY 9 AM

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