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A D V E N T



○ come · ○ come · Emmanuel

Sunday, December 19th, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Novena Day 4

8:30 AM Harmonia Choir – warm up

9:00 AM Holy Mass

Lector: Tammy Lightcap

10:15 AM Adult Bible Class

Monday, December 20th

M. Ammon & Companions

Novena Day 5

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

7:00 PM Harmonia Choir Practice

Tuesday, December 21st

Feast – Apostle Thomas

Novena Day 6

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

Wednesday, December 22nd

Novena Day 7

V.M. Anastasia

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

Thursday, December 23rd

Novena Day 8

V. Servulus the Beggar

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

Friday, December 24th

Christmas Eve/ Novena Day 9

Vigil of the Nativity of our Lord

8:00 AM +Edward G. Dudek (Anniv.),
By Wife Dorothy and Family

4:00 PM Vigil Mass of Christmas

Lector: Suzanne Bett

10:30 PM Carols of the Season

11:00 PM Shepherds Mass – Pasterka

Lector: Christina Giczkowski



Saturday, December 25th

Christmas Day / Nativity of our Lord

10:00 AM Christmas Mass

Lector: Richard Jones



PEACE ON EARTH, GOOD WILL TO
MEN!

Sunday, December 26th, 2021
Solemnity - Humble Shepherds

8:30 AM Harmonia Choir – Warm up
9:00 AM Holy Mass / Solemnity of the
Humble Shepherds with Commemoration
of the Feast of St. John

Lector: Anne M. Szpylman

DECEMBER PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS

Cindy and Dave Pecynski, Bob Giczkowski,
Chris Lightcap, Chuck Daehn

MASK MANDATE

In compliance with the Erie county directive, we ask that everyone wear a mask **into church**. Once seated and respecting social distancing, you may remove your mask. Please wear your mask coming up for communion as well as when you leave church. We are still using the blue/green designation for seating. Thanks for your cooperation. We are trying to keep everyone safe and healthy during this recent spiked in cases.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER
OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS**



Lord, look upon our friends, family and caregivers with the eyes of your mercy and let your healing hand rest upon them, restoring them to wholeness and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Michael Korabek, Daniel Drzewiecki, Gerald Ruzala, Galina Berger, Estelle Graczyk, Richard Gramza, Lee Nowicki, Carolyn Tucholski, Patty T., Margaret K., James Dillon, Kathy Peters, Brian Kingston, Joann Hooftallen, Audrey Zygmunt, Pat Drzewiecki, Irene Sikora, Jeanne Karlinski, Kathy Cherico, Chuck Kibby, Gert Janicki, Charles Guarasci, Fr. Gus Sicard, Doreen Bush, Richard Jones, Joan Pepperday

POSITION AVAILABLE

There will be an opening for an office Administrative Assistant in 2022. For further information or should you wish to apply, please contact Richard Jones - Parish Committee Chairman at 864-0281 or Bishop John Mack.

Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant... For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many. – Mark 10:43, Mark 10:45

THANKS TO MY CHURCH FRIENDS

I want to thank my church friends for your thoughts and prayers, get well cards, phone calls, visits and meals during my long recovery from surgery. Thank you from the bottom of my Heart! **Carolyn Tucholski**



Last minute Christmas Gifts...



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Friday, December 27th – Feast of St. John Mass 9:00 AM / Blessing of Wine. Wine will be blessed and distributed on Monday December 27th at the 9:00 AM Mass. Anyone who wishes to take blessed wine home should bring a small container to transport it in.

2022 LITURGICAL CALENDARS

The 2022 Liturgical Calendars are available for your taking, located in the church vestibule compliments of Chris Miller of the Barron - Miller Funeral Home. A sincere thank you to Chris Miller for his generosity in underwriting the cost of the calendars!

END OF YEAR/STEWARDSHIP

Is your **stewardship/pledge** current for 2021? If not please fulfill your financial obligation before the end of the year. The finance committee will **be closing the books for 2021 on Thursday, December 30th**. If you plan on contributing to your stewardship pledge or any other donations, you must do so by this date to get credit for this year.

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES

The offering envelopes for 2022 are in the vestibule of the church. **Please pick them up** and begin using them January 2022.



**YMS OF R MEETING
AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS** will be held

January 21st at 6:00 PM for refreshments / meeting to follow at 7:00 PM. Thanks, Chuck Daehn



THANK YOU!

A special Thank You to the Mission & Evangelism Group, Parishioners and Friends for *making the “LUNCH WITH SANTA” event so much fun...bringing JOY, GOOD WILL AND THE LOVE OF THE CHRIST CHILD to our community!*

The families that attended were treated to delicious food, Christmas movies and most of all...a visit with Santa! The effort and generosity that you put into this day will be remembered in their hearts forever! **Thank you all... for making it happen! GOD’S blessing to ALL!**

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

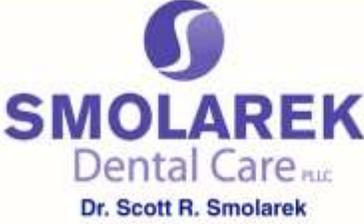


Fourth Sunday of Advent

Good Day! Let us behold Jesus, the Word incarnate revealing himself to us in the sunday readings. Today is the fourth Sunday of advent, only a few days away from Christmas. Hopefully we can pause and reflect amidst the holidays rush. How is your spiritual preparation for Jesus’ coming? We can learn from the Gospel, Mary Visits her kinswoman Elizabeth so that she could assist her in the demands of child birth at her advanced age. This event follows the evangelical nuncio that Mary would bear God’s Son. Bearing Jesus and serving others, especially the needy, is a powerful spiritual preparation for Christmas. Dear brothers and sisters, Christmas a season of goings and comings. This is what we want to reflect on. Very often we look at the Christmas decorations or even contemplate on the nativity scene, we are transfixed on the beauty of the depiction, of the birth of Christ, but very often it lacks movement. They are permanently in place but the original Christmas or preparation for the Christmas is a very dynamic

event. A small town of Bethlehem which could not boast any greatness was chosen by God to be the birth place of someone from the line of David. From that small town according to Micah, will come forth, will go forth, a ruler for whole Israel. A ruler coming from small town but will not stray in the small town, from that small town He and his reign will go forth to the whole Israel. The whole of Israel will experience righteousness, justice, and peace. The greatness of this ruler shall reach to the ends of the earth. You cannot control and keep the dynamism of Incarnation and salvation. It must come forth, go forth until the ends of the earth. This ruler, whose greatness reaches to the ends of the earth, who comes from above, is Jesus Christ. Jesus Comes from God the Father. Jesus comes to world with the body, so that in his body he could do the Will of the God. It is come from the God, coming to the world as a human being for a specific purpose: to do the Will of the God. By this Will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. In Today’s gospel we continue the same theme Christmas a season of goings and comings. Yes, it is going forth, actually coming to come someone. Here we have Mary who was visited by the angel and through her fiat, the Word of God, the Son of God came in the flesh and took flesh in her womb. The second reading happen actually in Mary’s body. Mary welcomes the Son of God and go forth. Mary could have used an excuse to say I am pregnant and I am the mother of the Son of God and I will stay home in Nazareth, but no, the very dynamism of the coming forth of the Son of God and coming to her impelled her to go. She goes forth to a town in Juda and meets there her kinswoman Elizabeth who was also with child, her six months even. Mary goes out, she goes out not alone but with the Son of God who came to her. She does not go out aimlessly but she goes out so that her Son comes out to another family. through her, Jesus, her Son could start his mission: to bring good news and joy. Vow, and that happened, Elizabeth filled with Holy Spirit and said, who am I to be visited by the mother of my Lord. So Mary’s going out is coming to someone. Going and coming but for a purpose: solidarity, service, communion, bringing joy, bringing salvation. my dear brothers are sisters, where are you going on this Christmas? Where are you impelled to go? Will you be coming to families, persons so that people may say who am I to be visited by the Lord? Christmas is not to move aimlessly. Christmas should impel us to go so that many more people would experience the joy that was promised from of old. May God bless you all!

MASS SCHEDULE – DAILY 8 AM
WEEKEND: SATURDAY 5 PM & SUNDAY 9 AM



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