



# THE CATHEDRAL VOICE

HOLY MOTHER OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL

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## Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Harmonia Choir – warm up  
8:50 AM General Confession & Absolution  
9:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Nancy Pokriki**

10:15 AM Adult Bible Class  
Noon – 3PM "Lunch with Santa"  
and "Kolachi Holiday Rolls" Sale  
Come enjoy the fun!



## Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> Bp. D. Nicholas of Myra

8:00 AM Mass of the Day  
7:00 PM Harmonia Choir Practice

## Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> Bp. M. Ambrose of Milan

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

**Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Solemnity – Conception of the BVM**  
9:00 AM Mass of the Solemnity  
6:00 PM Parish Committee Christmas  
Party / Dinner and Meeting

**Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**  
*V.M. Leocadia*  
8:00 AM Mass of the Day  
10:00 AM Cathedral Seniors – Fish Fry Prep  
7:00 PM Contemporary Group Practice

**Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**  
*Bp. Gregory III of Rome*  
8:00 AM Mass of the Day  
4-7:00 PM **Fish Fry** (or till sold out)

**Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**  
*Bp. Damascus of Rome*  
9:00 AM Penitential Service followed by  
Advent Retreat  
5:00 PM Holy Mass / 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent  
**Lector: Christine Rupert**

**Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

8:30 AM Contemporary Group – warm up

9:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Jenna Lightcap**

10:30 AM Budget and Calendar Meeting –  
in the Parish Hall

**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.

**DECEMBER PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS**

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

**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.*

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

**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

Mon Isaiah 35:1-10 Luke 5:17-26  
Tues Isaiah 40:1-10 Matt 18:12-14  
Wed - Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Proverbs 8: 22-35 Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12  
Luke 1: 26-38  
Thurs Isaiah 41:13-20 Matt 11:11-15  
Fri Isaiah 48:17-19 Matt 11:16-19  
Sat Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matt 17:10-13



**A VERY HEARTFELT**

**THANK YOU** to the Holy Mother of the Rosary Family during this difficult time and loss of our husband / father Frank Hoerner. All your prayers, cards and visits are a gift our family will always treasure.

*Elaine Hoerner and Family*

**REMINDER: ADVENT RETREAT**



The Advent Retreat will be held on **Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** from 9 AM – 3 PM. We will begin with an Advent Penitential Service entitled **"Hope and Advent."** The retreat will follow. The cost for the retreat is \$13 which includes materials, and lunch. A Sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule. Please register by December 5th.

Thank-You. **Fr. Nadeem Yaqoob**

**ADVENT SPIRITUAL BOOKLETS**

Our Advent reflection and family activity books are on the table in the foyer for you and your family's use. Take a book for a friend or relative and invite them to church this Christmas!



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Thanks to your overwhelming response and that of the Girl Scout Troops that hold meetings at the cathedral - **80 shoeboxes along with \$1,049.00 in donations** (to cover shipping costs & more) were delivered to Samaritan's Purse / Operation Christmas Child! **Thanks to your goodness and great generosity** - children around the world will learn about the love of our Lord and the true meaning of Christmas! God bless your hearts.

**Christmas Wafers / Oplatki**



Christmas wafers are available in the vestibule of the church for your use. Each packet contains 5 wafers. Suggested donation is \$4.00. A pamphlet containing the blessing service at the Wigilia (Christmas Eve dinner) is also provided.

*Hurry before they're gone!*

### **HOMEMADE POLISH KOLACHI HOLIDAY ROLLS**

Choose from an assortment of Honey Nut, Poppy Butter, Apricot Butter and Prune Butter Rolls. \$12 each- being sold at this Sunday Dec. 5 "Lunch with Santa" event from 12-3 PM. Fundraiser to benefit Holy Mother of the Rosary.

### **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 indicate accordingly.



### **CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**

The Christmas Giving Tree will be going up this week in the church vestibule. This tradition will help support the **Lancaster Youth Bureau** in their yearly labor of love – giving Christmas gifts and spreading cheer to the children and families in our community who are less fortunate than us. The Youth Bureau asked that we **do not wrap the gifts** but rather place them in gift bags along with a gift tag from our Giving Tree. The families will be given wrapping paper and they will in turn wrap their own gifts for their children. The **deadline** to place your unwrapped or bagged gifts under the Giving Tree is Monday - **Wednesday, December 13 – 15<sup>th</sup>**. The gifts will be distributed in plenty of time for Christmas by the Lancaster Youth Bureau.

### **PARISH BOWLING LEAGUE**



The parish-bowling league is looking for interested bowlers! The league will begin Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 and continue for 10 sessions every other week at the Wimbledon Lanes in W. Seneca. Price to be determined. Come join us for fun and fellowship during the long winter months! The sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Any questions call Don Barnes @ 982-9681 or Bob Giczowski @ 359-6645.

*"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a Son,  
and they will call Him Immanuel" (which means  
God with us)." — Matthew 1:23*



### **PARISH BUDGET AND CALENDAR MEETING**

The Parish Budget and Calendar meeting will be held **Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>** at 10:30 AM to approve the 2021 budget and discuss future events. Please come with your ideas and questions! Should you like to add a tentative event date to the calendar prior to the meeting contact the parish office.



### **CATHEDRAL USHERS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Friday, Dec. 17, 2021**

Wives, husbands and significant other invited 6 pm Cocktails, 6:45 Dinner. Sign up sheet is in the Church Vestibule. Thank you, Roger Papaj

### **MASS LITURGIES FOR CHRISTMAS**

**Christmas Eve Masses, Friday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00 PM Vigil Mass** /Contemporary Group

**10:30 PM Carols of the Season**

Harmonia Choir

**11:00 PM Shepherd's Mass**

**Christmas Day Mass, Saturday, Dec. 25**

**10:00 AM Mass** / Harmonia Choir



### **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 30<sup>th</sup>**. 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.



### **EMAIL ADDRESSES**

If you have an email address, please consider sharing it with the church office so we may advise you quickly of important information/notices.

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



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