



# THE CATHEDRAL VOICE

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**We welcome and love one another as God loves us with open doors, open minds, and open hearts.**  
**Please join us for Mass on Saturday at 5 PM and Sunday at 9 AM.**

**Sunday, December 1, 2024**

**First Sunday of Advent – Cycle C**

- 8:30 AM Choir warm up
- 8:50 AM General confession & absolution
- 9:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Tammy Lightcap**

- 10:15 AM Coffee Hour, Adult Bible Study, & SOCL

**Monday, December 2, 2024**

**Bibiana, V, M**

- 8:00 AM Mass of the Day
- 11:30 AM Bingo
- 7:00 PM Harmonia Choir rehearsal

**Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

**Francis Xavier, P**

- 8:00 AM +Lorraine Krusienski, by Bp. John

**Wednesday, December 4, 2024**

**Barbara, V, M**

- 8:00 AM Mass of the Day

**Thursday, December 5, 2024**

**Sabas, Ab**

- 9:00 AM +Frederick K. Schug III, by Sharon Monfort & Family
- 10:00 AM Seniors Gathering – Holiday Penny Sale
- 7:00 PM Healing Mass

**Friday, December 6, 2024**

**Nicholas of Myra, Bp**

- 8:00 AM Mass of the Day

**Saturday, December 7, 2024**

**Ambrose of Milan, Bp, D, M**

- 8:00 AM Mass of the Day
- 12:00 PM Lunch with Santa
- 4:30 PM Choir warm up
- 5:00 PM Holy Mass

**Lector: Christine Rupert**

- 7:30 PM Concert – Alden Area Ecumenical Choir

**Sunday, December 8, 2024**

**Second Sunday of Advent – Cycle C**

- 8:30 AM Choir warm up & rosary devotions
- 9:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Jenna Lightcap**

- 10:15 AM Coffee Hour, Adult Bible Study, & SOCL

**PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS**

**DECEMBER: James Chester, James Crane,  
Charles Daehn, Terry Darlak**

**READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

Monday:	Isaiah 2:1-5	Matthew 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Isaiah 11:1-10	Luke 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Isaiah 25:6-10	Matt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Isaiah 26:1-6	Matt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Isaiah 29:17-24	Matthew 9:27-31
Saturday:	Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 Matthew 9:35 – 10:1, 6-8	



**HMRC BINGO**

**Every Monday at 11:30AM  
Door opens at 10:00 AM**

STW #56	\$ 574
BROWN #53	\$ 1,000
BONUS BALL	\$ 276
QUEEN OF HEARTS	\$ 7,714

**This Week's Team:**

Team 1

**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 Lancaster Youth Bureau has asked that we **do not wrap the gifts** but rather place them in bags or boxes along with a gift tag from our Giving Tree. The **deadline** to place your unwrapped or bagged gifts under the tree is **Thursday, December 12**. The gifts will be distributed in plenty of time for Christmas by the Lancaster Youth Bureau.

**YMSofR Winter Clothing Drive**

We are collecting used or new clothes for the needy from now until January 31, 2025. This is an excellent opportunity to be Christ to others.

Thank you for your generosity!

**Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who donated towels, prizes, and their time to make our Towel Bingo fundraiser a huge success. Received many compliments from those in attendance.

YMS of R President Bob Giczowski

**2025 Offering Envelopes** are available in the vestibule of the church. Please note: some assigned numbers have had to be changed. The envelopes are arranged alphabetically by name.

**End of Year/Stewardship**

Is your **stewardship/pledge** current for 2024? If not, please fulfill your financial obligation before the end of the year. The finance committee will **be closing the books for 2024 on Thursday, December 26**. If you plan on contributing to your stewardship pledge or making any other donations, you must do so by this date to get credit for this year.

**Prayer for the Sick**

Heavenly Father of mercy and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. May they find consolation, lasting health, and deliverance in Your healing presence, and we thank You for all Your gifts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray for Cheryl Eckert, Bob Giczowski, Paul Kosek, Dave Lasek, Debbie McArthur, Fr. Joe Pasquella, Nick Piechowicz, Jerry Ruzala, Diane Scher, Yvonne Seekins, Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak, Jim Stevens, and Denise Swantek.

### Concert: Sing Gloria!

The Alden Area Ecumenical Choir presents: Sing Gloria! Their concert will be held here on Saturday, December 7 at 7:30 PM, and again at Marilla Methodist Church at 2:00 PM on Sunday, December 8. Proceeds will benefit Beloved Ashville Hurricane Relief.

### **FREE LUNCH WITH SANTA**

**Saturday, December 7**

**12:00 Noon – 3:00 PM**

**Meet Santa & Mrs. Claus!**

**Free Lunch: Chili, Mac & Cheese,  
Soft Drinks, and Cookies!**

**Christmas Movies!**



Please consider a monetary donation to help Santa fill his bags full of surprises for his upcoming visit. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Mission & Evangelism

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Parish Committee Meeting: December 11, 7:00 PM

Seniors Gathering: December 12, 10:00 AM, Holiday Cookie Exchange

PNA/PNU District Meeting: December 12, 11:30 AM

Advent Penitential Service & Retreat: December 14, 9:00 AM

Christmas Masses: Vigil December 24, 4:00 PM;  
Midnight December 24, 11:00 PM; Day December 25, 10:00 AM

### **PNA/PNU District Meeting**

Meeting and election of officers at 11:30 on Thursday, December 12 (after the seniors gathering). Please attend. Thank you.

### **Advent Penitential Service & Retreat**

Will be held on Saturday, December 14. The Penitential service entitled "God So Loved the World" will begin at 9 AM. The retreat, entitled "Advent Light," will commence at 10 AM and continue until 2 PM.

The cost of the retreat is \$10 and includes a light brunch, lunch, and the sessions. All of our parishioners are encouraged to partake in this spiritual preparation for Christmas. A sign-up sheet for the retreat is available in the vestibule of the church. Deadline is December 11.

### **Adult Bible Study**

If you are interested in the mysterious Book of Revelation, come join our Bible Study on Sunday mornings. We are beginning our study on the Book of Revelation, which goes by other names such as The Revelation to John and the Apocalypse of John. It was written by the apostle John, son of Zebedee, on an island between Greece and modern-day Turkey, likely around 90 AD. We are using a Catholic study guide to help us better understand this very complicated writing. It is difficult to comprehend because it is written in the apocalyptic style of the day using numbers, symbols, angels, and fantastic beasts imagery. We will get into topics such as the "End Times," Jesus' second coming, the Anti-Christ, the final battle of Armageddon, and "the New Heavens and New Earth." If you want to better understand the mysteries of this book, the very last book in the Bible, come grab a cup of coffee and a delicious roll or baked good, and we'll get through this together.

Thanks and God bless,  
Frank Russo

# MASS SCHEDULE – DAILY 8 AM

**WEEKEND: SATURDAY 5 PM & SUNDAY 9 AM**

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