

"To You, o Lord, I
lift my soul"

St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church
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First Sunday of Advent – "C"
Pierwsza Niedziela Adwentu
December 1, 2024
101st year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 12/1/24 – I Sunday of Advent

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for
+Carl & Helen (mother) Guzik, of. by
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Wapinski.

- *Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.*
- *Collection for missions.*

Mon., 12/2/24 – Advent Weekday

8:15AM – Requiem Holy Mass for
+Helena & Edward Zaborowski.

Wed., 12/4/24 – Advent Weekday

8:15AM – Rorate Holy Mass, intention:
for all Parishioners.

6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish
Committee.

Thu., 12/5/24 – Advent Weekday

5:15PM – Holy Mass for God's graces
and fruitful ministry for the PNCC Clergy

We prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas, and we prepare to greet Him when He returns in glory. We wait, we watch, and we pray.

I Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

II Reading: I Thessalonians 3:12 – 4:2

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to His disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamor of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand. 'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **Thanks** go out to: Organist, Mrs. Janina for cleaning and decorating the church, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 15 – Advent Penitential Service

December 29 – Covered dish brunch in the hall, after the Mass.

Fri., 12/6/24 – *Advent Weekday* – **First**

Friday of the month

8:15AM – Holy Mass and Litany to the SHoff.

Sat., 12/7/24 – *Advent Weekday*

Votive Holy Mass of the BVM in Advent

Next Sunday, December 8: II Sunday of Advent

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for +James Dean.

➤ *Confirmation Class.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday best wishes are extended to: December 7 – Cindy Eickhoff.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for: Jean Keim – Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause. *H & R Center Tremont.* Dolores Halaburda. *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen. *Shenandoah Manor* – Betty Brazausky (A-I4).

PLANNED FUNDRAISERS:

- Haluskie sale – Friday, December 13; preparation work Dec. 12.

SNOW and ICE ALERT – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth. **WARNING** – If someone would like to come to the rectory in the wintertime during bad weather conditions, please use the front porch entrance; the back porch could be full of ice all the time.



CHRISTMAS PARTY 2024 – will be held at **La Dolce Casa** 16 W Broad St. in Tamaqua, PA on **Thursday, December 19 at 4:00PM**. Everyone are welcome, and each participant will be responsible to pay for a meal individually. The deadline to sign up list is Sunday, December 15.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

KINDLY REMINDER – We would like to remind our Parishioners that all financial books for this year would be closed on **December 31, 2024**. Therefore, please, be responsible for your own church and fulfill your obligation to the Parish before that date. **THANK YOU**. A member, who fulfills the financial obligation to the Parish, by paying our yearly dues (**\$137.00**), is a financial good standing member of the Church. This means that he/she is a voting member of the Parish, can be elected to the Parish Committee, can be elected as a delegate for Synods and Seniorate Council, can be married in the church, and when time comes could be buried at the Parish Cemetery.

Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Dec. 8: +James Dean; Dec. 15: +John David's family.