



**Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

8:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Tammy Lightcap**

9:00 AM Coffee Hosts: Dave & Cindy Pecynski

9:30 AM SOCL & Adult Bible Class

10:30 AM Harmonia Choir Warm-Up

11:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Beverly Basinski**

12:30 PM Spojnia Raffle and Dinner

**Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Stephen the Younger, Mo., M.*

8:00 AM +Arthur Ciemny (Wedding Annv)

By Wife Dorothy

8:00 AM Bingo Kitchen Workers Report

9:30 AM Bingo Team Report

11:30 AM Bingo

7:00 PM Harmonia Choir rehearsal  
(Preparing for Advent/Christmas Season)

**Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

Saturninus M.

8:00 AM **No** Mass

7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal at  
Holy Trinity, Woodlawn, NY

**Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Feast – Andrew the Apostle**

8:00 AM +Lucy T., Frank & Lucille Mysiak and  
Family, By Estate

7:00 PM Board Meeting to discuss upcoming  
Budget Meeting

**Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Eligious of Noyon Bp.*

8:00 AM +Andrew & Maryanna Wesolowski,  
By Estate

**Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*Bibiana, V., M.*

8:00 AM +George Graczyk (B.D.),  
By Son David & Patricia Graczyk

**Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Francis Xavier, P.*

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Advent Retreat: "Sent –  
delivering the gift of God at Christmas"

4:30 PM Bell Choir performance @ Hospice  
Tree Lighting, 800 Delaware, Buffalo

7:30 PM The Freudig Singers @ HMRC /  
Pie Reception to follow

**Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

8:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Michael Pokriki**

9:00 AM Coffee Hosts: Open

9:30 AM SOCL & Adult Bible Class

10:30 AM Harmonia Choir Warm-Up

11:00 AM Holy Mass

**Lector: Jan McJury**



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**  
**OUR AILING BROTHERS & 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 and strength for service in Your Kingdom. Amen.

Gerald Ruzala, Kim Hartman, David George, Lottie Kowalow, Bill Woch, Carolyn Gaut, Norman Gaca, Ed Miller and Fr. Raymond Drada.

**Chester Ratajczak** – Buffalo General Hospital, 100 High St., Rm# 1569D, Buffalo, NY 14203

**PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS FOR**  
**MONTH OF DECEMBER**

**8:00 AM:** Dave Pecynski & Don Barnes

**11:00 AM:** Janice & Richard Jones



**STW - #54 - 0**

**Brown #54 - \$1,000.00**

**Bonus Ball – \$116.00**

**Queen of Hearts \$10,565.00**



**COFFEE HOUR**

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to host a Coffee Hour. We still need a few more volunteers. You'll find the sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



*Please give a warm welcome to **Harry Garasz** the newest member of our parish family.*

**PARISH STAFF**

The parish will be seeking a person to fill the position of maintenance/janitor in early 2017. This is a 40 hour a week position plus availability when it snows (with flex time) on call. The applicant should have skills in building maintenance as well as janitorial skills. Please contact Bp. John and submit your qualifications if you are interested. Thanks!

**OPLAKI/CHRISTMAS WAFER**

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



**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS**

Envelopes for Christmas flower donations are also located in the vestibule of the church for your convenience, or you may use your weekly envelope and indicate accordingly.



**ADVENT RETREAT**

An advent retreat will be held using the theme of: "Sent – delivering the gift of God at Christmas." It will take place Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning with a penitential service at 9AM. (The penitential service is open to ALL parishioners as well.) The retreat will continue until 3PM. The cost will be \$13 which includes materials, a small gift and lunch. Please sign up by Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> at the latest. Thanks!

**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 for Christmas!

## THANK YOU

Thank you again to everyone that helped and donated this year to the MK/SOCL Spaghetti Dinner. Our profit was \$1,685.46. Sharon Pawlowski

## PARISH BUDGET & CALENDAR MEETING

Our Parish 2017 Budget and Calendar Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM. Please come with suggestions and input. Consider heading up a fund raiser or an event! Thank you.



## 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 December 18<sup>th</sup>**. The Lancaster Youth Bureau will be distributing the gifts to families in time for Christmas. Thank you.

## HMRC CONCERT SERIES



**Saturday, December 17 2016, 7:00PM** - The Alden-Area Ecumenical Choir will perform their concert at HMRC entitled "Sing Gloria!" The choir will perform John Rutter's "Gloria" accompanied by a brass ensemble. A free-will offering will be collected during the concert to benefit not-for-profit organizations in our community. A holiday reception will follow. **Donations of baked goods and helpers** to set up for the reception would be greatly appreciated!

## PARISH BOWLING LEAGUE

The parish-bowling league is looking for interested bowlers. The league will begin in January 2016 and continue for 10 sessions. Come join us and get out of the house during the long winter months. The league bowls every other Sunday.

Come join the fun and fellowship! Sign-up is in the vestibule.

## UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETING

**Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** – A New Horizon Meeting 6:30 PM

**Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>** – Fish Fry 4-7 PM

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** – Parish Budget & Calendar Meeting, 9:15 AM

**Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**, The Alden Area Ecumenical Choir at the Cathedra/Reception to follow, 7PM

**Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** – **Volunteer's** needed after the 11:00 AM Mass to carry in **Christmas decorations** into the Parish Center.



## PARISHIONERS

Our Branch 20 of the United Y.M.S.of R. has taken upon itself the opportunity to host the 3rd annual National Y.M.S.of R. Golf Outing. It is scheduled to take place on August 19, 2017. This fundraiser will benefit the summer encampment for the youth of the P.N.C.C. at Waymart, Pa. among other projects. To this end, and to have a successful outing, sign-up sheets will be available in the church vestibule for the various committees needed for this event. Some of the committees will begin working soon but each will have a lead individual who will report to the golf coordinator. You don't have to be a golfer to help. In fact, members of the committees don't even have to be P.N.C.C. members. I hope that you will find the time to assist us for this event.

Deacon Tom Klusek



Helen Kubicki 11/29, Richard Jones 12/1, Laurel Jennings 12/4, Richard Kowalewski 12/5, and Emily Ratka 12/5.

**FYI** – Joseph Ratke will be turning **"100"** years young this December 24<sup>th</sup>. Let him know you're thinking about him. Address: NY State Veterans Home, 4207 State Hwy. 220, Oxford, NY 13830

**Sto lat! ~ One Hundred Years!**

