

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 3, 2017 – **1 Sunday of Advent** (Collection for Missions)

- **9:30 AM** - Holy Mass
 - + Josephine Moskal (20th Anniversary of Death)
 - + Frank Moskal (51st Anniversary of Death)

Monday, December 4, 2017 – **Advent Weekday**

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 – **Advent Weekday**

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 – **Advent Weekday**

Thursday, December 7, 2017 – **Advent Weekday**

Friday, December 8, 2017 – **Solemnity – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- **7:00 PM** - Holy Mass

Saturday, December 9, 2017 – **Advent Weekday**

Sunday, December 10, 2017 – **2 Sunday of Advent**

- **9:30 AM** - Holy Mass
 - + Genowefa Plawecka (21st Anniversary of Death)

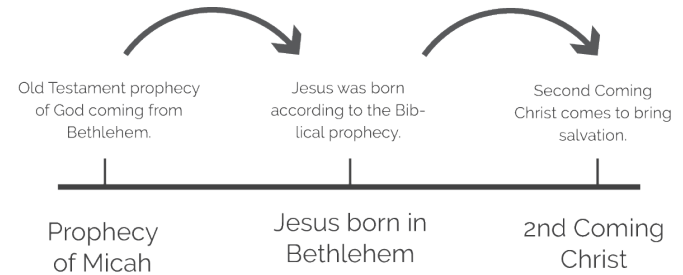


FAITH SHARING

In our Gospel reading today Jesus illustrates the need for alertness and readiness by comparing the situation of his followers to that of a gate-keeper in a house when the owner was out of the country. Since the gate-keeper did not know when the owner of the house would return, *"in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning,"* he must always be ready if he did not want the owner to find him asleep. In the same way, there is no reason for Christ's followers to be fearful, provided we are ready every day for Jesus' return. If we are awake and ready, the coming of the Son of Man is an event to be greeted with joy. Thus, our whole life should be a preparation to meet the master. We base this constant watch not on fear but on hope in God's promise of eternal life .



At the first coming he was wrapped in swaddling clothes in a manger. At his second coming he will be clothed in light as in a garment. In the first coming he endured the cross, despising the shame; in the second coming he will be in glory, escorted by an army of angels. We look, then, beyond the first coming and await the second. At the first coming we said: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. At the second we shall say it again; we shall go out with the angels to meet the Lord and cry out in adoration: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord . . . His first coming was to fulfil his plan of love, to teach us by gentle persuasion. This time, whether people like it or not, they will be subjects of his kingdom, by necessity. (St. Cyril of Jerusalem)



CHRISTMAS LETTER

This week you will receive our Christmas Letter. Please respond to it and mail to the Parish office the names of your beloved ones for whom you want me to offer a Holy Mass. Christmas Day Mass will be offered in loving memory of those who won't sit with us around Christmas Table anymore.

2018 MASS OFFERINGS ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2018 Mass offerings envelopes. There are located in the back of the church. Please take them also for your relatives and friends who are not coming regularly for Sunday worship.

In case you can't pick them up for some reason we can mail them to you. Please call Parish office.

WOOD LOGS AVAILABLE



After cutting some trees in our cemetery we have a lot of wood which can be good for fireplace. If you want to take it or maybe you know somebody who is looking for logs please contact Parish Office at 215-535-4978. The logs are located in our park – 875 Mill Rd, Bensalem.

OPLATKI FROM POLAND AVAILABLE



If you wish to have on your Christmas table Oplatki (Christmas wafers) made in Poland you can get them in our parish. They just arrived from Poland. Oplatki are available after each Mass. We can ship them to your house as well. For more information please call Parish Office at (215) 535-4978.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE



If you wish to order a Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in our parish please call parish office (215-535-4978) or mail your request to:
2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137,
or email it to stvalentinespncc@gmail.com

Holy Mass is not only reserved for repose of the soul but it can be offered for any person and any intention, for example your wedding anniversary, birthday, special blessing for your children or grandchildren, special blessing for your family etc.



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date Requested _____ Time _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Amount \$ _____

Please mail this form and Mass stipend to: St. Valentine's PNCC, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137 or call parish office at (215) 535-4978.

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1st Sunday of Advent

1 Niedziela Adventu

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