

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 24, 2017 – **4th Sunday of Advent**

- **9:30 AM** Holy Mass: + Raymond Taylor
- **10:00 PM** Traditional midnight Mass – *Pasterka*

Monday, December 25, 2017 – **Solemnity – Nativity of our Lord**

- **9:30 AM** Christmas Mass
Mass is offered for all our beloved dead.

Tuesday, December 26, 2017 – **Feast – St. Stephen, Martyr**

Wednesday, December 27, 2017 – **Feast – St. John – Apostle and Evangelist**

Thursday, December 28, 2017 – **Within the Octave of the Nativity**

Friday, December 29, 2017 – **Within the Octave of the Nativity**

Saturday, December 30, 2017 – **Solemnity – Holy Family**

Sunday, December 31, 2017

- **9:30 AM** Holy Mass: Solemnity - Holy Family, Solemnity – Humble Shepherds

Monday, January 1, 2018

- **9:30 AM** Holy Mass: Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord

FAITH SHARING

The most consoling and encouraging message of Christmas is the angelic message, *“Do not be afraid.”* This is a phrase that occurs 88 times in the Bible -- and is mostly spoken by God to His people. This phrase is repeated so often that this short phrase has been called a distillation of the whole Bible. The Lord said it to Abraham before cutting a covenant with him: *“Don’t be afraid.”* Angel Gabriel said it to Daniel when he was frightened by a terrifying vision: *“Don’t be afraid.”* The angel said it to Zechariah, future father of John the Baptist. Angel Gabriel said it to Mary, who was troubled at the news she received. An angel said it to shepherds startled by the Christmas glory that shone round them. Jesus repeatedly said it to his disciples, culminating in his resurrected appearance when he came to his grieving, fearful friends and spoke the words, *“Don’t be afraid.”* Mary Magdalene heard this same command when she was in the garden searching for Jesus in the empty tomb. So, on this Christmas day, perhaps this command is the very one God would give to us today: *“Don’t be afraid.”*

CHRISTMAS HOUSE BLESSING

If you wish your priest to come and bless your house, please schedule an appointment. He will come to your home at the most convenient time for you. Please call Parish Office at (215) 535-4978.



CHRISTMAS DONATIONS

Thank you for your Christmas Donations and Christmas Flowers Donations. They are very important for St. Valentine’s Parish. Recently we are facing some financial troubles. And still some costly projects are before us: broken sewage pipe, church and church hall heating system are not working properly neither.

Please be kind and generous for your parish. Thank you.



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.

***May Jesus be reborn in your heart and life
during Christmas 2017***

and every day of the New Year 2018.

***May He radiate His presence
from within you to others as sharing love,
unconditional forgiveness,
humble service, a compassionate heart
and overflowing generosity.***

***May the Holy Babe of Bethlehem
bless you with health in body and soul
and grant you a peaceful and blessed
New Year.***

Fr. Mariusz and Parish Committee



CHRISTMAS PARISH DINNER

Thank you very much all involved in our Christmas Lunch. May God bless those who cooked and those who supported St. Valentine's by participating in this event.

CHURCH DECORATION

Directed by Joyce we decorated our church last Sunday. Many Parishioners and Friends helped us. Thank you so much.

*I assure you of my special prayers
during my Christmas Holy Masses
and every day in the New Year.
Fr. Mariusz*

CHRISTMAS TIME MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve

Sunday, December 24, 2017

- 9:30 AM 4th Sunday of Advent Mass
- 10:00 PM Traditional midnight Mass – *Pasterka*

Christmas Day Mass Schedule

Monday, December 25, 2017

- 9:30 AM Christmas Mass

New Year Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 31, 2017

- 9:30 AM Holy Mass: Solemnity - Holy Family, Solemnity – Humble Shepherds

Monday, January 1, 2018

- 9:30 AM Holy Mass: Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord

Saturday, January 6, 2018

- 9:30 AM Holy Mass: Solemnity – Epiphany of our Lord

Sunday, January 7, 2018

- 9:30 AM Holy Mass: Solemnity – Baptism of our Lord

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4th Sunday of Advent

4 Niedziela Adventu

**Christmas
Boże Narodzenie**

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