

Holy Trinity Church

Staffed by the Missionaries of La Salette



PARISH OFFICE

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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Parish Council Chairperson: Maureen Nomakeo

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday: 12:10 pm

Friday: 12:10 pm Communion Service

Saturday: 4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:30 am (Polish), 10:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation: Eve of Holy Day: 5:30 pm,
Holy Day: 12:10, 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 to 3:45 pm, 15 minutes before
weekday Masses during Lent, or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

A person does not need to wait until the point of death to receive this sacrament. Please call the office if a parishioner is seriously ill, in the hospital or planning surgery.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM and MARRIAGE

Those who desire the Sacraments of Baptism or Marriage must be registered and practicing members of the Parish for at least three months.

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment prior to making any arrangements. The Sponsors (i.e. Godparents) must also be practicing Catholics.

WEDDINGS: Please call the Parish Office one year in advance. Consult the Parish Priest before setting a date.

HOLY TRINITY MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Trinity Parish is a Roman Catholic La Salette Community proud of our Polish heritage, and committed to witnessing the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through liturgy, education, and celebrating the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. Our parish community is a FAMILY, seeking to develop a cooperative spirit of supporting each other in facing the joys and sorrows of everyday life. By serving others in this way, we can bring about love, forgiveness and compassion representing the heart and hands of Jesus Christ through the message of mercy revealed to us by Our Lady of La Salette in 1846. We invite you to join us!!!



Mass Intentions

MONDAY - December 9

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 pm: Felix & Kardina Wawrowski
R/B Stanley Wawrowski

TUESDAY- December 10

12:10 pm: Bernard Bedor
R/B Roy & Mary Lemire

WEDNESDAY- December 11 St. Damasus

12:10 pm: Charlotte Kozlauskas
R/B Alicia, Shane, Eric & Nicki
Souls in purgatory
R/B Mr. & Mrs. Therrien
All parishioners

6:30 pm: Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAY - December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

12:10 pm Jerzy Brancewicz
R/B wife & family

FRIDAY - December 13 St. Lucy

12:10 pm: Communion Service

SATURDAY- December 14 St. John of the Cross

4:00 pm: Kazimierz Trzepacz
(1st anniversary of death)
R/B Mary, Michael & Eddie

SUNDAY - December 15



7:00 am: Cynthia Smith
R/B cousins John Organik &
Susan Jaczyk

8:30 am: Johnny Urban
R/B Witek, Basia & Martynka Urban

10:30 am: Bogdan Halama
R/B wife & sons



MEMORIAL CANDLE for 12/8
Matusko & Dawicki families
R/B Frank & Sandy Dawicki



Rest in Peace

Charlotte Osowski Kazlauskas, sister-in-law
of Joellyn Osowski Douthwright.



“Rejoice: the Lord is nigh.”



As Christmas draws near, the Church emphasizes the joy which should be in our hearts over all that the birth of our Savior means for us. The great joy of Christians is to see the day drawing nigh when the Lord will come again in His glory to lead them into His kingdom. The often repeated *Veni* ("Come") of Advent is an echo not only of the prophets but also of the conclusion of the Apocalypse of St. John: "Come, Lord Jesus," the last words of the New Testament.

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (*Isaiah 11:1-10*).

Psalm — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (*Psalm 72*).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (*Romans 15:4-9*).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (*Matthew 3:1-12*).

December 14th & 15th

Saturday 4:00 pm Reader: Larry Zabielski

Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:

Frank Dawicki, Maureen Wroblewski, June Cloutier

Sunday 7:00 am Reader: Joe Vaschak

Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:

Diane Vaschak, Larry Lafield, Betty Lafield

8:30 am Reader: Krzysztof Jaworowski

Minister of the Body and Blood of Christ:

Stanislaw Pluciennik

10:30 am Reader: Sharon Czarnecki

Ministers of the Body and Blood of Christ:

Debbie Dion, Cheryl Rothermel, Rebecca Wood

Readers & Eucharist Ministers please submit the dates that you are not available in January, February & March. ~Thank You

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Please pray for those intentions expressed in the Book of Intentions located in the back of the church, Also:


Dorothy, Elaine, Barbara Rosiensi, Bill, Matthew DeMars & family, Theresa, Liam Bisson Ingersoll, Larry, Carol Jeneral, Laura Danek, Lillian & Natalie Danek, Marie Anne, Michael, Paul M., Kaylee, Kathy Paulson, Steven Hezik, Maureen W., Kevin S., Joan K, Eli, Emil Onik, Kazimierz, Warren, Monika Laz, Pat G and Neva, Irene N., Tami Boudreau, Helen Romanski, Ellen S., Deacon Charlie, Stanley & Sylvia Sklarski, Bob Kaczman, Joe N., Frank G, Maria B., Chet Z., Mary Jemiolo Rudy & Karen Basilone & family and all in hospitals, nursing homes, or home-bound.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Our Lady of Good Success, pray that your Son will grant a haven of peace in His Sacred Heart to all priests, especially those newly ordained.

December 9 Rev. Richard Bondi, **10** Rev. David Darcy, **11** Rev. Philip Gallerani, **12** Rev. James Longe, **13** Pope Francis, **14** Rev. William P. Murphy, **15** Bishop Emeritus Timothy McDonnell.

Also extend these prayers to the deacons of our diocese.



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Dec. 9th and is not a holy day of obligation this year. Mass for the day will be at 12:10pm.

Donations to our Parish

~In memory of **Mary A. Zomgk**

From: David & Andrea Pennington
Gary & Diane Fisher



Happy **50th** Anniversary!

Michael & Geraldine Bliven



As the journey of Advent continues, as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God Who comes among us to make divine judgment manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgment to the Son, because He is the Son of man.

“And it is today, in the present, that we decide our future destiny.” It is with our concrete everyday behavior in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby Who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity.

Weekly Collection

November 23rd & 24th

Weekly:	173 envelopes	\$2,852.00
Loose:		<u>\$254.00</u>
Total Offertory:		\$3,106.00
Improvement Fund:	11 envelopes	\$120.00
Fuel Fund:	21 envelopes	\$269.00
Boiler Fund:	80 envelopes	\$781.00
Boiler Loose:		<u>\$161.50</u>
Boiler Total:		\$941.50
Camp. Human Develop.:	21 envelopes	\$331.00
Miscellaneous:	6 envelopes	\$33.00

November 30th & December 1st

Weekly:	174 envelopes	\$4,748.00
Loose:		<u>\$361.02</u>
Total Offertory:		\$5,109.02
Improvement Fund:	38 envelopes	\$588.00
Fuel Fund:	8 envelopes	\$185.00
Boiler Fund:	14 envelopes	\$1,235.00
Retired Religious:	2 envelopes	\$110.00
Immaculate Conception:	4 envelopes	\$35.00
Archdiocese Military:	3 envelopes	\$30.00
La Salette:	1 envelope	\$100.00
Miscellaneous:	8 envelopes	\$65.00

Thank You to those who continue to financially support our parish. *God bless your generosity!*

November 200 CLUB WINNERS:

- 1st \$200 #142 Bob & Phyllis Stanisewski
- 2nd \$100 # 237 Ronald Ferron
- 3rd \$75 #119 Peter Cloutier
- 4th \$75 # 230 John Zielinski
- 5th \$75 # 309 Bill & Kathy Armstrong

CONGRATULATIONS: The Next drawing will take place December 29th. Please have all money in December 23rd. The cost is for December. Is \$5 Thank you for your Support. ~Joanne

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

There is an envelope in your packet to help with the cost of the *beautiful flowers that decorate our altar for Christmas*. You can list *prayer intentions on the back and they will be placed on the altar between Christmas and the Epiphany in January*. If you do not receive envelopes you can use a plain one or there are a limited number of blank ones at the doors of the Church.

~February Calendar Raffle~
Our annual February Calendar Raffle HAS BEGUN !

The tickets will be on sale after all Masses starting this weekend. Stop by the table at the back of the church to buy a ticket, or take some with you to sell to your friends, neighbors & co-workers. The raffle goes until the end of January. **This is a great opportunity to support our parish.** The tickets make great inserts to your Christmas cards.

If you would like to help with selling the tickets after Masses, please sign up at the table.



The Advent season is HERE and with it, planning for our annual Children's Christmas Pageant! The pageant is open to all children in the parish who are in First Grade or above. The pageant will be performed for the parish immediately before the start of the 4:00 Mass on Christmas Eve. Two rehearsals in the weeks leading up to Christmas will be held during Religious Ed. time (exact dates TBD), with a final "dress rehearsal" on Christmas Eve beginning at 2:30pm. Parents of interested children should email our Pageant Coordinator, Catherine Burke, at atcjesmith@gmail.com with any questions.



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

As in the past few years, our "Giving Tree" will be dedicated to the needs of the residents of the; **Holyoke Soldiers Home**. The tree is located in front of the side altar and decorated with tags listing all items needed. Please note: only new, unused items can be accepted. *Last year was "wonderful" !* Please help us to make this year just as successful. If you are unable to bring your donations to the church on the weekends you may bring them during the week. The side door of the church is open from 9 am to 1pm, **The collection dates are 12/9 to 12/23.** Thank you in advance for your generosity and may God bless YOU! *The Social Justice Committee-Parish Pastoral Council, Bozena Jaworowski & Joseph Bianca.*



LAST CHANCE!! TO ORDER GIFT CARD's

The last Gift Card order will go in on **Monday, Dec. 9.** Please get your orders in by then. If you have any questions please call 568-9768 or email aliciawh@comcast.net ~Alicia

200 Club Membership Renewal

It's that time again to renew your 200 Club membership!! If you would like to join or renew, just fill out entry form and return with your payment by **January 15, 2020. The cost will still be \$5.00 a month or \$60.00 a year. The prizes will remain the same in 2020: First \$200.00, Second \$100.00, Third \$75.00, Fourth \$75.00 and Fifth \$75.00.** Five winners will be chosen each month. We will add a bonus of \$30.00 each month if there are 250 paid members. Payments can be mailed to Joanne Rollins at 15 Locust Street, Westfield, MA 01085 or drop it in the collection at Mass or at the office. Any questions contact Joanne Rollins at 423-568-7117 or djrollins@comcast.net.

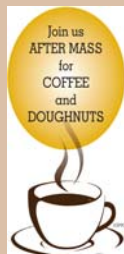
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Payable to: Holy Trinity 200 Club.

**ADVENT MEDITATIONS BOOKS AVAILABLE**

Please take a few minutes a day, and use [the Advent meditation books "5 Minutes With The Lord"](#) & ["The Little Blue Book"](#) to grow closer to the Lord before Christmas. Spending just a few minutes a day reading one of these books of meditations will dramatically change your experience during Advent from one of commercialization to spiritual openness. Copies are provided by the parish and Miriam Najimi of the Marian Center in Northampton and are located at church doors. Please pick one or both up for your family and *start a new Christmas Tradition!*

**Coffee Hour Invitation**

We will be having a coffee hour after the 7:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 15th. Please come and join us for coffee and pastries before you start your day. Looking forward to seeing all of you!! ~Joanne Rollins



**ROSARY SOCIETY THANK YOU**

The Rosary Society would like to thank everyone that contributed to making the Holiday Bazaar such a great success this year! Thank you so much for the generous baskets, raffle prizes & gift cards (we had 65)! Thank you to everyone who baked, made soups, sandwiches, and other great treats. Thank you to all Rosary members that took on much needed leadership responsibilities.

*~God bless you, The Holy Trinity Rosary Society*

**2020 CALENDARS DONATED by FIRTION ADAMS FUNERAL SERVICE**

We would like to thank Firtion Adams Funeral Service for their donation of 2020 calendars with inspiring words from Pope Francis. They are available in English or Polish at the doors of the church. Take one home to enjoy throughout the year.

**The Christmas Wafer "OPLATEK"**

Oplatek is available at the entrances of the church and at the parish office for \$2 per package. Honoring tradition, a Polish Christmas Vigil centers on the importance of the Christmas wafer. Particular to the Polish, Slovak & Lithuanian legacy, the holy night of Christmas Eve Vigil (Wigilia) begins with the breaking & sharing of the sacred "oplatek". This ancient "bread" ritual symbolizes forgiveness & new beginnings, uniting past & present, heaven & earth.



**We wish the following members of our parish a very Blessed & Happy Birthday! Sto lat!**



**Birthdays For 12/9 to 12/15 ARE:**

Rachel Altobelli, Elaine Brouillette, Valerie Bonkowski, Peter Cloutier, Aneta Guzik, Elizabeth Haley, Carolina Onik, Laraine Percoski, Victoria Polak, Greg Premny, Phyllis Stanisewski & Frances Wheeler.

