





St. John the Baptist Parish
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Second Sunday of Advent - "A"
Druga Niedziela Adwentu
December 4, 2022
99th year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 12/4/22 – II Sunday of Advent
10:00AM – Holy Mass, for +Lawrence &
Angeline Marcioli, of. by Mr. & Mrs.
Chester Gursky.

 Benediction of the Most Blessed
Sacrament.

 Collection for missions.

Mon., 12/5/22 – *Advent Weekday* –
Requiem Holy Mass for +Zaborowski
family... (All Souls)

Tue., 12/6/22 — *St. Nicholas of Myra*
– Holy Mass for God's blessing for
Victoria & Veronica.

Wed., 12/7/22 – *Advent Weekday* –
Rorate Holy Mass

Thu., 12/8/22 – *Solemnity* –
Conception of the BVP – 9:00AM - Holy
Mass for all Parishioners.

As we prepare to celebrate the coming of Christ at Christmas, we prepare also to receive Him when He comes again to welcome us into His kingdom.

I Reading: Isaiah II:I-10

II Reading: Romans 15:4-9

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:1-12

In due course John the Baptist appeared; he preached in the wilderness of Judaea and this was his message: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' This was the man the prophet Isaiah spoke of when he said: *A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare a way for the Lord, make His paths straight.*

This man John wore a garment made of camel-hair with a leather belt round his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then Jerusalem and all Judaea and the whole Jordan district made their way to him, and as they were baptized by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. But when he saw a number of Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism he said to them, 'Brood of vipers, who warned you to fly from the retribution that is coming? But if you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit, and do not presume to tell yourselves, "We have Abraham for our father," because, I tell you, God can raise children for Abraham from these stones. Even now the axe is laid to the roots of the trees, so that any tree which fails to produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown on the fire. I baptize you in water for repentance, but the one who follows me is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to carry His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in His hand; He will clear his threshing-floor and gather His wheat into the barn; but the chaff He will burn in a fire that will never go out.'

Next Sunday, Dec. 11: III Sunday of Advent

10:00AM – Holy Mass, for +James Dean.



Christmas Party after the Mass.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to: Dec. 7 – Cindy Eickhoff; Dec. 8. Jolene Johnston.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Helen Hopko - James Panco – Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Marjorie Dean – Monika Dudek – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause. *H & R Center Tremont:* Dolores Halaburda; *Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA* – Marie Demnitski, Carl Guzik; *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen.

Upcoming Mass intentions: Dec. 11: +James Dean; Dec. 18: +John David's family.

PRAY FOR
UKRAINE,
AND FOR THE PEACE OF THE
WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

- Hall for Rent is available...\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.

December 11 – Christmas Party (covered dish) after the Mass.

December 18 – Advent Penitential Service, before the Mass; Decorating the church for Christmas.

Sat., Dec. 24 – Christmas Vigil Mass – 4:00PM; Mass of Shepherds – 10:00PM. **Sun., Dec. 25** – 10:00AM.

KINDLY REMINDER – We would like to remind our Parishioners that all financial books for this year would be closed on **December 31, 2022**. 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.