

# St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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**The First Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church**

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Peter Picerno, DMA – Organist / Director of Music

**December 11, 2016**



**Masses: 8:00 am** – Traditional Holy Mass      **9:30 am** – Contemporary Holy Mass  
**11:15 am** – Traditional Holy Mass, at Our Savior Chapel, Tripp Park

#### School Information

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#### TODAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>

Bishop Bernard is in Denver incardinating a priest into the Diocese to lead the Hispanic outreach in that Parish; and at the Los Angeles Parish for a pastoral visit to that community.

10:45 am – Breakfast with Santa, Youth Center

#### MONDAY, December 12<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm – Bible Study, Chancery conference room

#### THURSDAY, December 15<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

#### FRIDAY, December 16<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm – Elementary School Christmas Program/Jeselka

#### SATURDAY, December 17<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am – Confirmation Class

10:30 am – Cathedral Young Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm – Advent penitential service, chapel

#### NEXT SUNDAY, December 18<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional – **9:30 am** Contemporary – **11:15 am** Our Savior Chapel, Tripp Park

**MUSIC NOTES** – Three of the music selections heard today are based on an Advent hymn which originated in the 7<sup>th</sup> century, about 1300 years ago. The hymn *Conditor alme siderum* (*Creator of the stars of night*) has endured throughout the centuries with evolutionary modifications along the way though it is currently published in over 55 different modern hymnals. We hear the text and tune in its most popular and recognizable form as today's anthem: the simplicity of the chant melody, with its free-flowing rhythm is preserved in this version of the hymn. Hymn 15, which comes from a collection of Polish hymns from 1838 sets the tune in a rhythmic version and assigns a new Advent text to the tune. George Oldroyd has set the tune, in its chant version, for organ where the tune, which is plainly heard towards the middle of the piece, is surrounded by lush and imaginative melody and harmony.

**ADVENT RORATE MASSES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** – offered **each Wednesday in Advent at 5:00 am** on December 14<sup>th</sup>, and the 21<sup>st</sup>.

**ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE** – will take place in our Chapel downstairs on Saturday evening, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. Please take advantage of this service which is offered for your spiritual preparation for the celebration of our Lord's Nativity.

#### *Lectors:*

**12/11** – 8:00 – J. Andrzejewski  
9:30 – J. Scheuneman & M. Stankowski  
11:15 – C. Ross  
**12/18** – 8:00 – K. Michalina  
9:30 – J. Snyder & M. Hughes  
11:15 – L. McConlogue

**Opatki** – Christmas Wafers are available in the Parish Office.

**DECORATING CATHEDRAL FOR CHRISTMAS** – next Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 a.m. There is plenty of work for any parishioners who are free to help. And it's good fun, too! Come and see.

**JOB POSTING: PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR** – St. Stanislaus Cathedral has made available a new paid part-time job opening for working in our Parish Office. This position will have the qualified individual assisting the Parish Committee in managing select activities for the parish office to include communications (digital and face-to-face) and coordination of events with key parish activity centers (youth center, cemetery, etc). Email and basic office software computer skills are highly preferred for all candidates applying for this position. Our intention is to create a pool of candidates who will then be reviewed/interviewed with the goal of selecting a candidate and have them begin January 2017. **All interested candidates should submit a letter (Word .doc or .pdf) with their qualifications to Fred Aebli, [fjaebli@gmail.com](mailto:fjaebli@gmail.com) subject line: PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR**

**TIS THE SEASON FOR CHRISTMAS CAROLING....fa la la la la, la la la la!** – The St. Stanislaus UYA is setting their 2016 Christmas Caroling schedule. The caroling group will be singing to and sharing their holiday cheer with parishioners and friends on the evenings of Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have never had the carolers stop at your home, or it's been a few years since you've enjoyed their company, and would like them to pay you a visit this year, please **add your name to our signup sheet in the church hall**. Once we have our updated list, we will be able to let everyone know our specific nightly neighborhood schedule. And even if you live outside the 'city' limits, we encourage you to sign up, too! We have gone to Clarks Summit, Taylor, Throop, and would be happy to visit Moscow, Elmhurst, and Daleville. We just need to know you would like us to come to your home. The UYA Carolers would like to thank everyone who has welcomed them over the years and are truly looking forward to sharing the joy of Christmas with you again this year. For more details or questions, please contact Maria Hughes at [570-842-8451](tel:570-842-8451) or by email at [mariahughes1@verizon.net](mailto:mariahughes1@verizon.net).

**ST. STANISLAUS YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE NEWS!** Sign-ups for the upcoming 2017 season are underway. ALL REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED ALONG WITH PAYMENT BY 12/18/2016. Forms and information about the league are located downstairs in the church hall, and on the church's website. THE COST FOR EACH PLAYER IS \$40.00 AND \$20.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD WITHIN THE SAME FAMILY. Games will tentatively start on Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:30 pm. A schedule of game times and age groups will soon follow. It is very important to register before December 18<sup>th</sup>, so shirts can be ordered in time to start the season. Thank you as always for your support and dedication! Any questions please contact Jake Stankowski @ 570-341-0986 or Art Golembeski @ 570-575-5231.

**ANGEL TREE** – This year for the Angel on the Tree we are collecting unwrapped items for the Women's Resource Center. Please drop off all items **TODAY** in the parish hall.

**GERRITY'S GIFT CARDS** – St. Stanislaus is still selling \$25 Gerrity's gift cards. Our parish receives a 5% discount on these gift cards. We also earn 3 cents for each purchase of the following products sold at Shur Save markets: Best Yet, Exceptional Value, Paws Premium, Top Care, Full Circle, & Nature's Finest.

**FOOD PANTRY** – Please bring **fruit snacks** on Sunday, **December 18<sup>th</sup>** for the One Hot Meal Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued support of this important project.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS** – The ANS is currently accepting donations for Christmas Poinsettias. Donations may be made in memory of or honor of loved ones. Due to the increased cost of flowers we are asking for a minimum donation of \$20. Please contact Connie Tellep at [570-222-4409](tel:570-222-4409) or [jtellep@nep.net](mailto:jtellep@nep.net). Deadline for donations is Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** – Dec 14 – Raymond & Gloria Makowski

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** – Dec 13 – Diane Smicherko; Dec 16 – Madeline Hughes

**FRIENDS IN THE HOSPITAL** – **December 9<sup>th</sup>** – \*Abington: Ann Kazmierczak; \*Mt. View: Amelia Liska, Paulette Wincovich; \*Wayne Woodlands: Ed Solosky; \*St. Mary's Villa: Clara Zlotowski

**FRIENDS RECOVERING AT HOME** – Jean Cwynar, Joann Edwards, Ceil Gorgol, Josephine Kwiatkowski, Timothy Meleski, Chester Nezelkewicz, Art Schmidt Jr., Ann Seig, Donna Shouten, Ann Stets, Mary Szajna, Joann Valvano, Wendell Williams, Bob Zychal. Please pray for them.

**THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES**

**Monday, December 12**  
8:30 am – Mass of the day

**Tuesday, December 13**  
8:30 am – Elementary School Mass

**Wednesday, December 14**  
5:00 am – Rorate: Blessed Virgin Mary

**Thursday, December 15**  
8:30 am – Healing Mass

**Friday, December 16**  
8:30 am – sp. Chester Zahorsky by Jim & Jean Carroll

**Saturday, December 17**  
8:00 am – sp. Marie & Robert Scherer by family  
8:30 am – sp. Walter Blakiewicz by family

*Christmas Preparation*

- 1. ~~Buy~~ Presents*
- 2. Wrap Gifts someone in a hug*
- 3. Send Gifts Love*
- 4. ~~Shop For~~ Food*
- 5. Make Cookies Memories*
- 6. ~~See~~ The Lights*