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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17, 2024



Masses: 8:00 am—Traditional Holy Mass 9:30 am—Contemporary Holy Mass 11:15 am—Traditional Holy Mass, Cathedral Chapel, Our Savior, Tripp Park

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Today

10:45 am – SOCL Class

Thursday, November 21st

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Saturday, November 23rd

10:00 am – Confirmation class 11:00 am – First Communion class

Lectors:

11/17 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina

9:30 – Patrick McHugh

11:15 – David Rychleski

11/24 – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski

9:30 - Maria Hughes

11:15 – David Rychleski

Next Sunday, November 24th – The Solemnity of Christ the King

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

It's the most wonderful tiiiiiiiiime - of the year The Liturgical Church year comes to its conclusion next Sunday on the Solemnity of Christ the King. The annual cycle within the Church renews itself on the following Sunday, December 1st, the first Sunday of Advent, the season we use to self-reflect in order to ready our hearts and minds for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. It's darkness and light that will be featured during the Advent Season during our Rorate votive Masses each Wednesday from 6:30 in the morning.

We arrive and begin in the morning's darkness but we conclude and depart our worship in the morning's dawning light. This reflects Isaiah's description of mankind's experience after the coming of the Christ that "The people who walk in darkness will see a great light; those who live in a dark land, the light will shine on them" (9:2 NASB). Of course, looming in the shadows around us are all the troubles of this world that often darken our spirits. These mid-week Masses and those on Sunday together with our daily prayers and our Scranton Seniorate Advent Penitential Service help us look to Jesus, the Light of the World, who overcomes all darkness with his gifts of hope, peace, joy and love.

Our Scranton Seniorate Advent Penitential Service of introspection, penitence and forgiveness is offered to you on Saturday, December 7th, at Providence of God Lithuanian National Catholic Church from 11:00 am.

Christmas Eve in the afternoon and nighttime, and afterwards Christmas Day in the morning will include Masses at 4:00 pm and 10:30 pm, and 10:00 am, respectively.

The Living Nativity will be offered to the glory of God in your presence on the Polish National Catholic Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds, Sunday, December 28th at the 9:30 am Mass ONLY IF we can have a sufficient amount of children to fill out the cast of characters that comprise our living tableaux.

Parents who are interested in having their children participate in this seasonal montage, please **contact the Parish Office at 570.961.9231** to leave you child(ren)'s name(s). Please make this phone call **by December 3**rd for us to make the necessary preparations simply because "it's the most wonderful tiiiiiiiiiime - of the year!

<u>Thank You for Your Support</u> — One of our own parishioners has been devasted by Hurricane Helene. Chris Ross lost everything that was in her home and all of her belongings. We decided to have a drawing to raise some funds to help her at this difficult time. So, anyone who donated had a chance to win a \$25.00 Gerrity's Gift Card. Over the last 4 four weeks we collected \$230.00. On November 10th, 2024, we pulled the winners.

Congratulations to Leslie Swantek and Cheri Barlow.

Thank you to all who helped raise this money to support a fellow parishioner in need.

Debbie Godek and Linda Vitcavage

YMS of R Hoagie, Pizza AND HALUSZKI Sale – Branch 1 YMS of R will be holding a fundraising Hoagie, Pizza and Haluszki Sale on Saturday, November 23, 2024. We will be making 12" Italian or turkey hoagies, as well as take and bake plain and pepperoni square pizzas. For the first time, there will also be limited number of 1-quart containers of Haluszki, homemade by our very own number Father Janusz! Pick up will be Saturday, in the Youth Center, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

The price for the hoagies will be \$10.00 each, which includes lettuce, tomato and onion, as well as condiments (oil/vinegar, mayo or spicy mustard), all prepackaged on the side. Pizzas will be 12-cut square and are \$17.00 for plain and \$20.00 for pepperoni. <u>Haluszki will be \$10.00/quart, available in limited quantities, and first come, first served.</u>

The deadline for orders is **Tuesday**, **November 19**, **2024**, using the signup sheet in the lower church hall or by calling Frank at (570) 587-3672. Please indicate the type and number of pizzas and/or hoagies desired (as well as the appropriate number and types of condiments for any hoagies). You can also order via leon.stankowski.5 at Facebook Messenger, but online orders will not be confirmed until paid in advance.

Thanks in advance for your support.

<u>Breakfast Buffet with Santa</u> – YMS of R Branch #1 hosts their annual Breakfast Buffet with Santa in the Parish Youth Center on Sunday, December 8th after 9:30 am Holy Mass.

Tickets are Adults: \$10.00; Children ages 4 to 12: \$5.00; Children ages 3 and under: Free. Please make reservations in the Parish Hall after 9:30 am Mass on Sundays or **call Frank Gerardi at 570-587-3672.**

A *limited* number of tickets will be available at the door, so please make your reservations by Thursday, December 5th.

<u>300 Club Winners</u> – Week 9 Winners of the 300 Club drawing held November 10, 2024. Congratulations to all winners:

\$100.00 - Robert Kranick; \$50.00 - June Sarnowski, St. Stanislaus Cathedral; \$25.00 - Judy Reese, Cameron and Casey Swantek, Bobby Zahorsky, Maria Hughes

There is 1 week to go. Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser for St. Stanislaus Cathedral parish.

<u>United YMS of R Winter Clothing Drive</u> – The United Y.M.S. of R. Board is once again calling on all Parishes and Y.M.S. of R. Branches in the PNCC to *be* Christ to your community with a winter clothing drive. The **drive begins now** and **concludes January 6, 2025**, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of our Lord.

Items needed: coats, sweatshirts, pants, t-shirts, winter hats, gloves, underwear, undershirts and socks. Items received will be donated to local charitable agencies.

<u>Wreaths Across America</u> – On Saturday, December 14th at noon a wreath-laying ceremony will be held at our cemetery on Kane Street.

SPONSORS NEEDED!!! For the past 6 years we have had the honor of hosting the Wreaths Across America event where we lay a wreath at the final resting place of a U.S. Veteran in our St. Stanislaus Cathedral Cemetery. This year, we need some help. Due to the trying economic times several of our sponsors from last year have not been able to come forth to purchase wreaths and help defray our costs (est. \$17 per wreath).

Please donate \$17 for the wreath honoring your loved one who served in the Armed Forces. Just place the \$17 in an envelope with (1) your name, (2) the name of the person you want to remember and (3) any identifying information about the location of the grave. Then drop it in the collection basket or bring it into the church office. Please make checks payable to <u>Wreaths Across America</u>. All donations must be received by Tuesday, November 26th so we can place thee order for the wreaths. You may also go online to <u>www.wreathsacrossamerica.org</u>, and click on <u>Sponsor Wreaths</u>.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

Monday, November 18

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, November 19

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, November 20

8:30 am – Holy Mass Thursday, November 21

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, November 22

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, November 23

8:00 am – Holy Mass

Please mark your calendars and join us for the Wreaths Across America ceremony.

Altar Flower Fund — What a gesture of affection it would be to make a donation for flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one! To follow through on exactly that, please contact Connie Tellep at 570-222-4409. A donation of \$60 would cover the cost for a Sunday. Of course, a donation of any amount to the fund is always welcomed. Simply send a check made payable to ANS Flower Fund, to the Parish office or just drop the envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your help in bringing beauty in glorifying God.