

# St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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

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## Solemnity of Christ the King

**November 24, 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

Cathedral Chorale rehearsal following 9:30 am Mass

### Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

NO Confirmation class

NO Communion class

### Next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> – First Sunday of Advent Cycle C

Holy Mass: **8:00 am** Traditional    **9:30 am** Contemporary

**11:15 am** Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

#### *Lectors:*

**11/24** – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski

9:30 – Maria Hughes

11:15 – David Rychleski

**12/1** – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina

9:30 – Eve Hughes

11:15 – David Rychleski

**Oplatek – Christmas Wafer** – Oplatki are available starting **TODAY** in the parish hall after the Sunday Masses, or you may pick them up during the week by contacting the Church Office at 570-961-9231. We ask that you consider making a donation to help defray the cost of the wafers.

Carry on the Polish custom of breaking bread at the Wigilia, Vigil Dinner, on Christmas Eve and sharing your good wishes for good health, wealth, and happiness. If a loved one cannot be present this year, try sending a piece of Oplatek in a Christmas card to them with your good wishes.

**One Hot Meal** would like to thank the following people who kindly donated to our monthly parish outreach in memory of Marie Gorgol. Our gratitude to: Leon and Alexandria Gorgol, Don and Sally Blackledge, June Sarnowski, Jake and Mary Stankowski. Thanks to their generous donations, the **One Hot Meal** in March 2025 will be in memory of Marie Gorgol.

Thank You All,  
*Carol Nasser, Linda Seliga, Debbie Godek*

**ANS Filled Kolachi Roll Sale** – The ANS will begin selling for Christmas, a delicious favorite enjoyed by many, Filled Kolachi Rolls!

Popular in Eastern Europe, this delicacy is a traditional delight paired with a great cup of Coffee/Tea or your beverage of choice.

Flavors include Apricot, Poppy seed, Prune, Raspberry or Walnut. **The Cost per Roll is \$10.00.** **The Deadline for orders is Sunday 12/15/24.** Information regarding a pickup date will be announced.

Please look for the signup sheet in the Parish Hall to place your orders, contact one of our ANS members, or call the Parish Office @ 570-961-9231.

Thank you for your patronage!

**Christmas WITH ADVENT is the most wonderful tiiiiitime - of the year ....** The Liturgical Church year comes to its conclusion this Sunday, the Solemnity of Christ the King. The annual cycle within the Church renews itself next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, which is 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 especially during our Rorate votive Masses in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary each Wednesday from 6:30 in the morning.

We arrive at the lower chapel of the Cathedral to begin Holy Mass 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 of the coming of God's 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. **Three Rorate Masses** are scheduled before Christmas this year **on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.**

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

**Christmas Eve in the afternoon and nighttime, and subsequently 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 29<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 am Mass .... ONLY IF .... we can have** a sufficient number 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<sup>rd</sup>** for us to make the necessary preparations simply because "it's the most wonderful tiiiiitime - of the year!

**Breakfast Buffet with Santa** – YMS of R Branch #1 hosts their annual Breakfast Buffet with Santa **in the Parish Youth Center on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**300 Club Winners** – Week 10 Winners of the 300 Club drawing held November 17, 2024. Congratulations to all winners: \$100.00 – St. Stanislaus Cathedral; \$50.00 – St. Stanislaus Cathedral Sammy Raub; \$25.00 – David Seliga, Jake Gerardi, Susan Raub and Amy Gerardi

This was the final week for drawings. We raised \$3,040,00 for our parish. Thanks to everyone who supported this fundraiser.

*Debbie Godek and the entire Parish Committee*

**United YMS of R Winter Clothing Drive** – 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.

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

**SPONSORS NEEDED!!!** 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 Wreaths Across America.**

**All donations must be received by Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** so we can place the order for the wreaths. You may also go online to [www.wreathscrossamerica.org](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org), and click on Sponsor Wreaths. Please mark your calendars and join us for the Wreaths Across America ceremony.

**Christmas Flower Donations** – Once again the Flower Fund needs your help. With Advent fast approaching it is time to consider donating for Christmas Flowers to adorn our altars. For **\$30 or more** you can honor, remember, or just donate to the fund. Checks may be made out to the ANS Flower Fund by **December 15<sup>th</sup>** and mailed to 529 E. Locust St. Scranton, 18505 or dropped in the collection basket on Sundays. Please include the names of loved ones to be honored. Any questions please contact Connie Tellep 570-222-4409.

***THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES***

**Monday, November 25**

8:30 am – Holy Mass

**Tuesday, November 26**

8:30 am – Holy Mass

**Wednesday, November 27**

8:30 am – *Healing Mass*

**Thursday, November 28**

8:30 am – *Thanksgiving Day*

*Holy Mass - lower chapel*

**Friday, November 29**

8:30 am – Holy Mass

**Saturday, November 30**

8:00 am – Sp. Theodore & Helen Christy by Joan Williams & family.