

St. Stanislaus Cathedral

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The First Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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Ms. Rebecca Elfman – Organist / Director of Music

December 15, 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

Wednesday, December 18th

6:30 AM – Rorate – Marian Mass of Advent

Thursday, December 19th

6:30 pm – Cathedral Chorale rehearsal

Saturday, December 21st

10:00 am – Confirmation class

11:00 am – First Communion class

Sunday, December 22nd

After second Mass, stay to help decorate our Cathedral for Christmas

Next Sunday, December 22nd – Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

11:15 am Cathedral Chapel, Tripp Park

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

Flavors include Apricot, Poppy seed, Prune, Raspberry or Walnut. **The Cost per Roll is \$10.00.**

The Deadline for orders is TODAY.

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.

KOLACHI ORDERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21ST in the Parish Hall from 11 o'clock a.m. - 1 o'clock p.m.

Pick up is also available on Sunday, December 22nd following 8 o'clock & 9:30 Mass.

Any questions please feel free to call the Parish Office at 570-961-9231 or Kathy Michalina 570-562-2086 /570-954-5559 or any ANS member!!!

Thank you for your patronage!

Lectors:

12/15 – 8:00 – John Andrzejewski

9:30 – Maria Hughes

11:15 – David Rychleski

12/22 – 8:00 – Kathy Michalina

9:30 – Patrick McHugh

11:15 – David Rychleski

Decorating the Church for Christmas – We will be “decking the halls” and the Church on **Sunday, December 22nd following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.** Much help is needed. Much fun is promised. Good fellowship guaranteed. Great satisfaction assured. This year, come to experience it all!

One Hot Meal would like to thank Paul and Donna Gorgol for your donation to our monthly parish outreach in memory of Marie Gorgol. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Even More Christmas Sounds of Joy and Delight – can be yours Christmas Eve for the “Midnight Mass” at 10:30 pm when you arrive 20 minutes before the Mass begins at the Cathedral which will be decked out in all its Christmas splendor. Becky Elfman has prepared a beautiful moment for us from 10:10 pm of yuletide melodies programmed as *Glad Tidings We Bring*. Presented by our Cathedral Chorale together with Parish and guest instrumentalists and guest singers, *Glad Tidings We Bring* is sure to warm your heart with nostalgic tunes and the strains of lovely songs of the Season to prepare us for our worship of Imanuel, our God Incarnate, at Mass that night. Be with us to enjoy the *Glad Tidings We Bring* to you and yours on Christmas Eve at Saint Stanislaus Cathedral.



The Living Nativity WILL MOST DEFINITELY be offered to us by our Parish’s youngest young’uns on Sunday, December 29th at the 9:30 am Mass that day. That Sunday is the Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds and shepherds will be there to see the news given them by the angels of a Child’s birth in Bethlehem. The children’s rendering of this biblical moment will be rendered simply and beautifully and sincerely.

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

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 **TODAY** 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.

St. Stanislaus Youth Basketball League – The St. Stanislaus Youth Basketball season starts tentatively January 3, 2025 and continues for ten weeks with one or two weeks off in February, 2025. The games are on Friday evenings in the Youth Center starting at 6:15-6:45 with the youngest age group and ending with the last age group by 8:15 pm. All games usually run 45 minutes in length, except for the PK-K Group; those games are 30 minutes in length.

Anyone who is in Pre-K through 9th grade (Age 4 by 3/1/2025- 14 yrs of age) can sign up. The registration fee is \$45.00 (for the first child) and \$25.00 (for every sibling from the same family - living in the same household). **Registration is due December 21st, 2024.** Please note there will be a \$5.00 late fee for any registration received after this date – *this is to ensure the proper size shirts to be ordered.*

Come and join your friends for a night of great fellowship and fun! A schedule will be sent out once all registrations are in and teams are made. Anyone wishing to volunteer as a coach or referee, or in the snack bar, please let us know! We NEED YOU to make this a great season!

Any questions please contact Art Golembeski @ 570-575-5231 or Dee Golembeski @ 570-814-6826.

THIS WEEK’S LITURGIES

Monday, December 16

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Tuesday, December 17

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Wednesday, December 18

6:30 am – **RORATE MASS**

Thursday, December 19

8:30 am – Healing Mass

Friday, December 20

8:30 am – Holy Mass

Saturday, December 21

8:00 am – Sp. Marie Gorgol by
Rev. Sr. William Chromey

SAVE THE DATE

December 21st – Kolachi pick up 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

December 22nd

Decorating the Cathedral for Christmas following second Mass

December 24th – Christmas Eve

4:00 pm – Vigil Mass

10:10 pm – *Glad Tidings We Bring*, voices & instruments in a concert of Christmas music before the Shepherds’ Mass

10:30 pm – Christmas Eve Mass of the Shepherds: *Pasterka*

December 25th – Christmas Day – Nativity of our Lord

10:00 am – Holy Mass, Cathedral

10:30 am – Holy Mass, Tripp Park Chapel

December 29th – Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds with the Living Nativity

9:30 – Living Nativity presented by the children of St. Stanislaus