

OUR LADY OF OSTRABRAMA

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CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST - MASS

Weekdays: 8:30 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday, Saturday

Saturday Evenings: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 9:30 am (Polish), 11:00 am

Holy Days Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm

Day: 8:30 am; 7:00 pm (Polish)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or at other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Each Sunday during Mass at 11:00 am. Call earlier to the Rectory to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Marriages are to be scheduled at least six months in advance by interview with a parish priest. Pre-Cana conferences are required (online trainings are invalid).

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: During Mass at 8:30 am on First Saturday of the Month.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please call the Rectory to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion to be brought to the home.

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Last Thursday of the month 7pm;
First Friday, 9:00 am;

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass at 8:30 am



Third Sunday of

Advent

December 12, 2021

I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.

Luke 3:16

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, December 11th

8:30am + O błogosławieństwo Boże dla Marii Miodek w 1000 rocznicę urodzin.

5:30pm + Gladys Deerkoski

SUNDAY, December 12th

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00am + Henry Bukina

9:30am (Polish) O Błogosławieństwo dla ks. Ryszarda

11am (Family Mass) + Vincent Krupski

MONDAY, December 13th

Saint Lucy

8:30am + Gayle Patchell from Jerry & Ginny Surozenski

TUESDAY, December 14th

Saint John of the Cross

8:30am + Frederic William Koehler

WEDNESDAY, December 15th

NO Mass

THURSDAY, December 16th

8:30am + Eileen McGreen from Matthew & Sheila

FRIDAY, December 17th

8:30am + For Parishioners & Benefactors

SATURDAY, December 18th

8:30am + For all Priests

5:30pm +

SUNDAY, December 19th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00am + John & Gary Zukoski

9:30am (Polish) O Błogosławieństwo dla Emilia i Krzysztopa

11am (Family Mass) + For the Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

2022
Mass Book
of Intentions
is available!



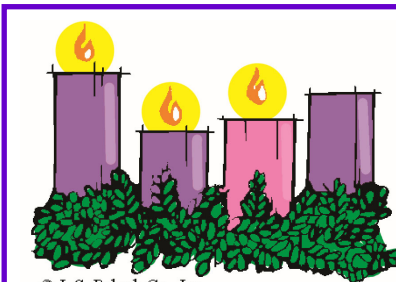
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalm — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).



Reflection question:

How am I faithfully awaiting the Lord's Nativity?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Advent

O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen



CANDLELIT CHRISTMAS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Featuring William Roslak
Our Lady of Ostrabrama
December 19 7pm



Please return the unwrapped gifts
by December 17
Thank you for your generosity!



Parish Confession

All Day Monday December 20

Beginning after morning Mass & continuing until 8pm

Father Ryszard Cell: 516 330 5903

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve

4pm Pageant and Family Mass; 5:30pm; Midnight
Mass

Christmas Day

8am; 9:30 am; 11 am

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows

GOD SHOWS US A BETTER
WAY TO LIVE. WE LIVE IT BY
HELPING OTHERS LIVE IT, TOO



The crowds were questioning John the Baptist, saying, "Then what shall we do?" And he would answer and say to them, "The one who has two tunics is to share with one who has none; and one who has food is to do likewise." Lk 3:10-11

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FINANCIAL CORNER

- Sunday 12-05-21: \$3246
- Fuel: \$25
- Christmas Flowers: \$75
- **TOTAL : \$3346**
- Christmas Novenas: \$510

Third Sunday of Advent

Today is known as Gaudete—Rejoice—Sunday, the day’s Latin nickname is taken from today’s ancient official Entrance Antiphon, “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” The optional rose vestments—reminiscent of winter’s early morning skies as the solstice draws near, the festal organ

music, the floral arrangements, all these ancient traditions together with the antiphon are meant to anticipate, in sight and sound, the soon-to-break-upon-us Christmas joy. How well today’s scriptures illustrate the struggle between Advent’s contrasting moods: “joyful expectation” in light of Christ’s nativity, and “serious repentance” inspired by John the Baptist’s preaching, reminding us that Christ’s next coming—at death or at the end of time—will be for judgment as well as redemption.

JOY AND EXULTATION

Joy and exultation ring through the first reading, as Zephaniah’s ancient messianic prophecy pictures God “rejoicing over (us) with gladness, renewing (us) in his love, singing joyfully because of (us) as one sings at festivals.” This joyful God is not distant: the prophet declares twice that God “is in your midst.” Zephaniah so trusts this joyful God’s love for us that he declares our deliverance “a done deal”: both from inward fear and guilt—“the Lord has removed the judgment against you”—and from external threats: “he has turned away your enemies.” The Responsorial Psalm, from Advent’s principal prophet, Isaiah, echoes an exultant joy that should prompt us to be “confident and unafraid,” “for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.” Paul likewise exhorts the Philippians—and us—to joy, to a kindness that should be evident to all, to prayer free from anxiety, serene and thankful.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

But then John the Baptist cries out on Jordan’s bank: Repent! Prepare for a Messiah whose baptism “with the Holy Spirit and fire,” unlike John’s water baptism, will utterly transform its recipients. His winnowing fan will clear away the dead wood, bundling wheat and burning chaff in unquenchable fire. If this is going to be “good news” for us, then well might we, like the crowds, tax collectors, and soldiers who first heard John, ask “What should we do?”

When John responds to the people then, and to us today, the answer, while supremely challenging, is almost surprisingly simple. Nobody is ordered to abandon the place in which their personal life’s journey or the realities of a history beyond their control have put them. God saves us not despite or apart from our real-life circumstances but in them and through them. Our call now is to practical, generous charity: we are to share clothing and food; practice justice and professional and personal integrity; and be honest toward others and with ourselves. Such is the teaching of the Messiah that John heralded. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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