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First Sunday

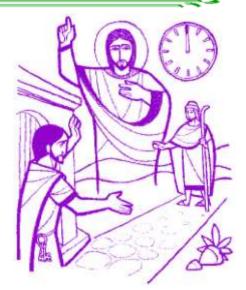
of Advent

November 30, 2014

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You are running toward us, Anxious, Embracing God! Faster than we have run away and hid, You come racing after us to enter our hearts and our human journey. You upset our human history and our heritage as You break into our lives. Suddenly we are clay in Your creative hands and You are molding the fullness of Your reign. Keep us awake and alert that we might experience Your fingerprints all over us, and see You breaking out in all the people and situations of our lives. Come, Lord Jesus! Sensitize us to Your present comings in subtle and wonderful ways, so that we might be fully awake in the fullness of dawn You have ignited among us. Make this Advent a time of expectant watching, searching for Your inviting Face.

First Sunday of Advent, Cycle A

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer.

9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13. Mass intention: For all parishioners living and dead.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Psalm 130:5-6; Lamentation 3:25-26)

Priest: I wait with longing for the Lord, my soul waits for His word. My soul looks for the Lord more than sentinels for daybreak.

All: Good is the Lord to one who waits in Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good to hope in silence for the saving help from the Lord.

Priest: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7

GRADUAL (Luke 12:37a, 38; 1 Thessalonians 5:6)

Priest: Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. And should he come in the second watch or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants.

All: Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

ALLELUIA (Psalm 62:2)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: My soul rests in God alone, from Whom comes my salvation. *All:* Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 13:33-37

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection Question:



 As vigilant gatekeepers watching for the Lord of the house, what signs do you see that tell you God is present in the world and in your life?

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Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- ◆ Today, November 30 First Sunday of Advent Cycle "B" begins
- ◆ Also today at 2:00 pm <u>Christmas Concert</u> (see next page)
- ◆ Saint Andrew, Apostle Monday, December 1 Holy Mass at 10:00 am
- ◆ Polish Classes every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Rorate Holy Mass every Wednesday at 7:00 pm
- ◆ <u>Visual Bible Study</u> every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall



<u>Coffee Hour Sponsors</u>: Today - **Krysia Newman** Next Sunday - **Danuta Czarnecka**





Suggested donation for each cross Is \$2.00 for one name or for one family

A <u>Holy Mass of Remembrance</u> will be celebrated by Fr. Adam Czarnecki on Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 9:30 am At this celebration each usaw will be read and later incribed in the Versory Book.

The Nemory Tree will be displayed in December and January

For the crosses contact: Krysia Newman (413) 584 - 4531; Diane Scott (413) 527-7785; Rectory (413) 584-0133

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Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along Sponsored by the Polish Heritage Committee

January 4, 2015 - 2 p.m.

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All friends of Polonia are contially invited to attend a Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along. The earols will be led by singers from area church choirs. An afternoon of music and fellowship is surely to be enjoyed by all.

Please Join Us! Refreshmente will follow the Sing Along (in the Parioh Hall)





Saturday, December 13 at 8:00 am

New Storm Windows Donations are still being accepted

to help defray the cost of the storm windows which were recently purchased for the church. Any amount will be gratefully appreciated. Your donation will be acknowledged in our Church bulletin. Please notify us if you do not want to have your named mentioned in the bulletin. The amount received thus far \$725.00. Special thanks to Wallace Forman, Krysia and Eugene Newman who sponsored

windows for the south side of the Church in memory of Joan Forman. Thank you. Bóg zapłać!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Helen Golec - Orchard Valley, 2387 Boston Rd, Wilbraham, MA 01095 Shirley Krawczynski - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060 John Lenkowski - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060 Grace Mackiewicz - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002 Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631 Rev. Henry Smolinski - 8 Mills Rd, Windsor, CT 06095 Karen Dragon - 1116 Xavier Court, Bloomington, MN 55437 Please say a prayer for peace, comfort and healing for our sick sisters and brothers; send a card to them; if you can, participate in the Holy Mass celebrated in their intention every Monday at 10:00 am (except holidays - see bulletins).

PASTORAL CARE AT HOME AND HOSPITAL

If you have a family member or friend at hospital or home unable to take part in Holy Mass and Sacraments, please notify Fr. Adam at 584-0133.



For Holy Mass intentions contact Fr. Adam after Sunday Holy Mass or anytime by phone (413) 584-0133.