



# Sunday Church Bells

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Polish National Catholic Church

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## Solemnity of the Baptism of our Lord January 12, 2014

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Chrztu Pańskiego  
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*“Embracing and Faithful God, from all eternity You have loved us and betrothed Yourself to us in fidelity. We are born of water and Your Spirit. You continue to penetrate our hearts and our world with freeing and enlightening justice. Just as Jesus was radically open to Your call and Your Spirit, let Your Spirit speak to us and penetrate our being. In Baptism, we are plunged into the death and life of Jesus - and his openness to You. You embraced him as Your beloved Son. Continue to hug him, and in the universal outreach of Your strong arms, embrace us as Your beloved daughters and sons. Your Baptism has given us a new destiny - a new identity - a new life. In Spirit us to continue the ongoing enfleshment of Your Son in our world. Shine within us as a light for others, revealing their dignity, and uplifting them from any oppression or darkness. Bathe us in Your favor.”*

# Solemnity of the Baptism of our Lord 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** (Matthew 3:16-17; Psalm 72:13)

*Priest:* After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, [for Him], and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased."

**All: He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.**

*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 42:1-4, 6-7

**GRADUAL** (Isaiah 2:4)

*Priest:* He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks;

**All: One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.**

**SECOND READING:** Acts 10:34-38

**ALLELUIA** (Psalm 114:3-4)

*Priest:* Alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Priest:* The sea beheld and fled; the Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs of the flock.

**All: Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 3:13-17

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

**All: Glory be to You, Lord!**

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him. After Jesus

was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

*Priest:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**



## Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: *Isaiah 49:3, 5-6*

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:1-3*

Gospel: *Matthew 1:29-34*



## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Polish Classes - every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall
- Saturday, January 18 - Peter Chair at Antioch (Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins) - Holy Mass at 10:00 am
- Sunday, January 19 - Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m. in memory of loved ones and friends who have passed away and are represented by the crosses on the "Memory Tree."
- Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, January 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

### **Cleaning of the Church (Saturdays at 8:00 a.m.): January 17**

Retirement - Arlene Tierney  
*Arlene Tierney who has been our Church organist for many years has decided to retire. She will be dividing her time between her new home on Cape Cod and renovating her parents farm house in South Deerfield. We thank her a hundredfold for her dedication to St. Valentine's Church as parish organist and choir director. We will still see her as she and Doug remain parishioners of our Church.*



Welcome Organist Jan Duffe  
*It is with great joy we introduce you to Jan Duffe who has accepted our call to become our new organist for our church. Jan officially begins her duties today. She brings a wealth of experience having played church organ in various denominations for many years. Jan received a Bachelor's degree in Music from the University of Massachusetts/Amherst, M.S.W. from Smith College and additional training in organ, choral conducting and voice. She teaches organ and piano and is an organ and vocal recitalist. We are thankful that God has provided us the opportunity to partner with Jan in music ministry.*

## Epiphany Visitations

I will make Epiphany Visits to our parishioners. A traditionally prepared home for the pastoral visit displays a white cloth on a table, upon which is placed crucifix, two candles, the Bible, holy water and chalk. If you would like to have your home blessed, please notify me at Church or call the Rectory Office. - Fr. Adam

## Potluck Brunch - January 26th

You are all cordially invited to join us at a Potluck Brunch on January 26th immediately following Holy Mass. Hopefully you will join us with your special dish or with something already prepared. If you are planning to come, please include your name and the food item/dish you will bring in the sign-up sheet, located in the vestibule of the church by January 19th or notify Fr. Adam.

## Memory Tree

The ANS Society of the St. Valentine's PNC Church will sponsor the "Memory Tree" project. Hand made miniature crosses will represent loved ones and friends who have passed away. Suggested donation for each cross is \$ 2.00 for one name, or for one family.

A Holy Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated by Fr. Adam in January 19, 2014, Sunday at 9:30 a.m. At this celebration each name will be read and later inscribed in the Memory Book. The Memory Tree will be displayed in December and January. For the crosses contact ANS Ladies.

## 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 name mentioned in the bulletin. The amount received thus far \$575.00.

Special thanks to Wallace Forman, Krysia and Eugene Newman who sponsored the purchase of storm windows for the south side of the Church in memory of Joan Forman.

**Thank you. Bóg zapłać!**

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

**Edward Antosz** - 34 Hockanum Rd, Northampton, MA 01060

**Helen Golec** - 71 State Street, Apt. 130, Northampton, MA 01060

**Shirley & Paul Krawczynski** - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060

**John Lenkowski** - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060

**Grace Mackiewicz** - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002

**Alice Modrzakowski** - 130 University Dr. Unit 133, Amherst, MA 01002

**Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski** - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631

**Rt. Rev. Thomas Gnat** - 104 Naphin Hill Road, Dunmore, PA 18512

**Rt. Rev. John Mack** - 6298 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

*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 Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.*

*(except holidays when Holy Mass is celebrated at 7:00 p.m. - 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.



## **Holy Mass Schedule:**

**Sunday - 9:30 a.m.**

**Solemnities & Feasts - see bulletins**

**Daily - 10:00 a.m.**

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