



Sunday Church Bells

**of the St. Valentine's
Polish National Catholic Church**

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Solemnity of the Holy Family January 5, 2014

Uroczystość Świętej Rodziny 5 Stycznia 2014



Eternal God, You are a family - Father, Son and Spirit. As You created us in Your divine image, You created us in families. Help us to reverence to people who chose for us - our Mom and Dad - brothers and sisters. Sometimes it is easier to deal with friends I choose rather than family You choose for me. Help us to work our salvation by loving these people You gifted us with. Just as Jesus caused painful hurt in his Mom and Dad, sometimes the blood connection of love is more complicated because of its depth. Thank you for the family You chose for me - even if they were not all I wished they could be or all that I need, gift me with the insight and acceptance to know that they are doing their best, as I am, and to reverence them for who they are: expressions of Your affirming and challenging love. The Holy Family looks so innocent and easy in plaster statues in the manger. Didn't they have fights, misunderstandings, and angry moments? As they were faithful to each other in the tough and confusing times, help us to be faithful and loving, as You are, Creator God, Eternal Son, and Spirit of Love.

Solemnity of the Holy Family

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

9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13.

Mass intention: In memory of Stanley Michalski

- req. by Stacia and John.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Luke 2:15b-16)

Priest: The shepherds said to one another, "Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us."

All: So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Infant lying in the manger.

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: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

GRADUAL (Psalm 27:4a; 84:5)

Priest: One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek: to dwell in the Lord's house all the days of my life.

All: Happy are those who dwell in Your house! They never cease to praise You.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:12-21

ALLELUIA (Isaiah 45:15)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: Truly with you God is hidden, the God of Israel, the Savior!

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

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

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod, that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled, *Out of Egypt I called my son.*

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go back there. And because he had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, *He shall be called a Nazorean.*

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: *Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7*

Second Reading: *Acts 10:34-48*

Gospel: *Matthew 3:13-17*



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today after Holy Mass will be Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- Collection for Missions - there is a basket in the vestibule for this collection.
- Today - Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along at 2:00 pm (see below) and Polish Heritage Committee Meeting after this event.
- Monday, January 6 - Epiphany of our Lord - Holy Mass at 7:00 pm (with Blessing of incense and chalk).
- Polish Classes - every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Epiphany Visitations

I will make Epiphany Visits to parishioners who want to have their homes blessed. 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. A dam



Polskie Koledy
Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along
Sponsored by the Polish Heritage Committee

 **January 5, 2014 - 2 p.m.** 
at
St. Valentine's Polish National Catholic Church
127 King Street
Northampton, MA



All friends of Polonia are cordially invited to attend a Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along. The carols 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!
Refreshments will follow the Sing Along
(in the Parish Hall)





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 named mentioned in the bulletin. Thank you to: **Alice Modrzakowski** - \$50.00; **John and Carole Dryzgula** - \$200.00. 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.