Sunday Church Bells

of the St. Valentine's Polish National Catholic Church

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Solemnity of Humble Shepherds

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Brothers, look there yonder (Polish Christmas Carol "Bracia patrzcie jeno")

Brothers look there yonder, skies aflame, o wonder.

Very strange the token o'er the town Bethlehem.

We must leave huts, sheep and oxen, * Lord over them will keep on watching, While we go to Bethlehem, * We go to Bethlehem, to Bethlehem.

Brothers, see the great star, Spreading out its rays far.

Surely, it is gracing God, in its swift racing.

With bold steps we hasten to Him, * Filled with joy, we'll bow before Him, Son of God in Bethlehem. * God's Son in Bethlehem, in Bethlehem.

Little town Bethlehem, brings to Juda great fame.

Everywhere remembered, by all countries honored.

Let joy fill our hearts mankind, * As we worship Him we find,

In a manger, in Bethlehem, * Manger in Bethlehem, in Bethlehem.

Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer.
9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13.

Mass intention: For God's blessings upon Ellen Keller
- req. by Constance.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Wisdom 18:14-15a; Psalm 93:2)

Priest: For when peaceful stillness compassed everything and the night in its swift course was half spent, Your all-powerful Word from heaven's royal throne bounded a fierce warrior, into the doomed land.

All: Your throne stands firm from of old; You are from everlasting, 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: Jeremiah 31:10-14

GRADUAL (Psalm 45:3, 2a)

Priest: You are the most handsome of men, fair speech has graced Your lips.

All: My heart is stirred by a noble theme, as I sing my ode to the king.

SECOND READING: Titus 3:4-7

ALLELUIA (Psalm 93:1a)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: The Lord is King, robed with majesty; the Lord is robed, girded

with might.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:15-20

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

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this event which the Lord has made known to us." They went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger; once they saw, they understood what had been told them concerning this Child. All who heard of it were

astonished at the report given them by the shepherds.

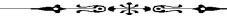
Mary treasured all these things and reflected on them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, in accord with what had been told them.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21 Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Collection for the Seminary there is a basket in the vestibule for this collection
- Rehearsal for Polskie Koledy Sing Along today at 1:00 pm in our Church
- Tuesday, December 31 Holy Mass at Year's End at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, January 1 Circumcision of our Lord and New Year Holy Mass at 10:00 am
- Thursday, January 2 Holy Name of Jesus Holy Mass at 7:00 pm
- Saturday, January 4 Cleaning of the Church at 8:00 am
- <u>Sunday, January 5 Feast of the Holy Family</u> Holy Mass in memory of Stanley Michalski at 9:30 am
- <u>Sunday, January 5 Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along</u> at 2:00 pm (see below) and <u>Polish Heritage Committee Meeting</u> after this event

Epiphany Visitations

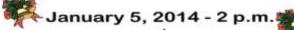
I will make Epiphany Visits to parishioners who want to have their homes blessed. A traditionally prepared home for the pastoral visit displays a white cloth on a table, upon which is placed crucifix, two candles, the Bible, holy water and chalk. If you would like to have your home blessed, please notify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

- Fr. A dam



Polskie Koledy

Polish Christmas Carol Sing Along Sponsored by the Polish Heritage Committee



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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)



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



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 \$325.00.

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:

Helen Golec - 71 State Street, Apt. 130, Northampton, MA 01060
Paul Krawczynski - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060
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
Alice Modrzakowski - 130 University Dr. Unit 133, Amherst, MA 01002
Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631
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.



ANS Ladies

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.