

# COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 11/28** (Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Reading of the Catechism at the end of the Mass. Coffee hour after the Mass in the church hall.
- 12/05** (Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Holy Mass intention: For + ANDREW LASEK. Coffee hour after the Mass in the church hall.
- 12/11** (Saturday) Polish Food Sale 9am - 12pm.
- 12/12** (Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Holy Mass intention: For + HENRYK GUDELSKI. Coffee hour after the Mass in the church hall.

- THANK YOU MAGDA for preparing this year's Advent wreath and flower arrangements.
- We'd like to welcome a new member of St. John's Parish, Mr. Don Tenerowicz from Ellington. Holy Mass for a new member of our church will be celebrated on Jan 2, 2022.
- November is a special month when we pray for our deceased! We would like to remind you about the possibility to offer a Holy Mass in your own, particular intention! Take one of the envelopes from the back of the Church, write down your intention and return it to Fr. Adam. Have a blessed Sunday!



*During the month of December, please join us each Wednesday at noon in offering the Lord's Prayer and Holy Family prayer, adapted from the PNCC Liturgy:*

Loving Father, we desire to live as Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, in peace with You and with one another. By their intercession, may we be strengthened to live like the Holy Family and to face the challenges of life. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

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PARISH BULLETIN

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + GENOWEFA PILCH (req. by her daughter Helen Pilch)

### INTROIT

C: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Your name, Most High,

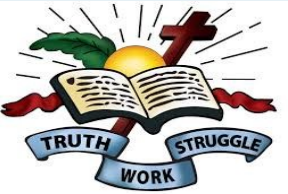
R: To proclaim Your love in the morning, Your faithfulness in the night.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

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

## HOLY MASS

. 10 am



## MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The days are coming, says the LORD,  
when I will fulfill the promise  
I made to the house of Israel and Judah.  
In those days, in that time,  
I will raise up for David a just shoot ;  
he shall do what is right and just in the  
land.  
In those days Judah shall be safe  
and Jerusalem shall dwell secure;  
this is what they shall call her:  
“The LORD our justice.”

JER 33:14-16

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."

PS 25

READING 2

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

Brothers and sisters:  
May the Lord make you increase and abound in love  
for one another and for all,  
just as we have for you,  
so as to strengthen your hearts,  
to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father  
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.

1 THES 3:12—4:2

Finally, brothers and sisters,  
we earnestly ask and exhort you in the Lord Jesus that,  
as you received from us  
how you should conduct yourselves to please God  
and as you are conducting yourselves  
you do so even more.  
For you know what instructions we gave  
you through the Lord Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

LK 21:25-28, 34-36

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

Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:  
“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.  
  
“Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus’ words to His disciples in today’s passage from the Gospel according to St. Luke also speaks of the second coming of the Son of Man (a term Jesus used to describe Himself). It will be a day of terror and awe (terrifying and awful for those who are not prepared and terrific and awesome for those who are ready). The passage concludes with a message of vigilance – a need to be alert and ready.  
  
The church year begins again today. Today is the first day of a new church (ecclesiastical and liturgical) year. Our Gospel readings for this new year will primarily be from the Gospel of Luke. This is the season of Advent. The Latin word adventus means “coming.” We are preparing for the coming of the Lord Jesus. There are two parts to this season of Advent. From now until December 16, we prepare for the second coming of the Lord Jesus at the end of time. From December 17 to December 24 we focus on preparing for the celebration of the first coming of Jesus when He was born of Mary in a stable in Bethlehem. It is fitting for Christians to prepare and celebrate both of the comings of Jesus.