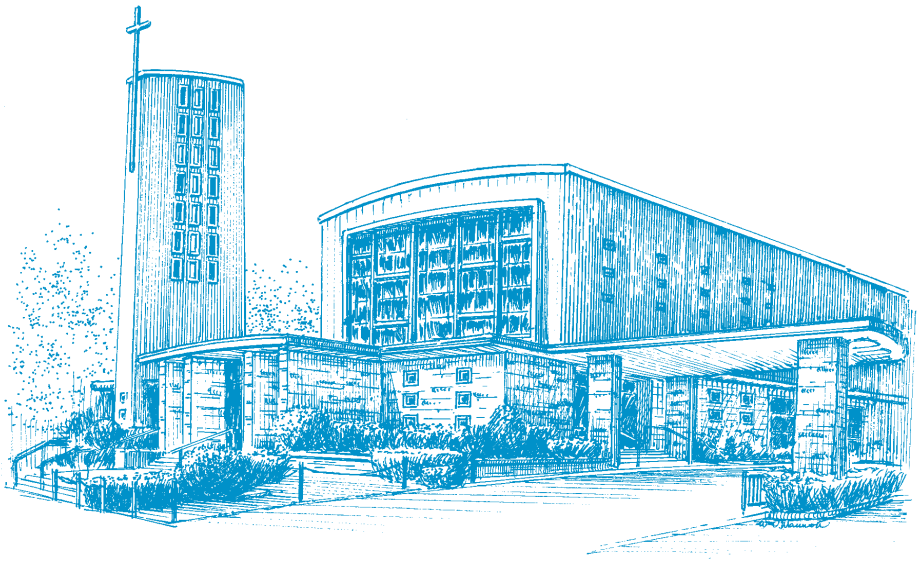
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 - 9:00 - 12:15 PM
Polish Mass: 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:
Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM
Mass in Polish: Wednesday & Saturday 8:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:
7:00 PM Vigil Mass, 6:30—8:00—11:00 AM (English)
9:00 AM—7:00 PM (Polish)

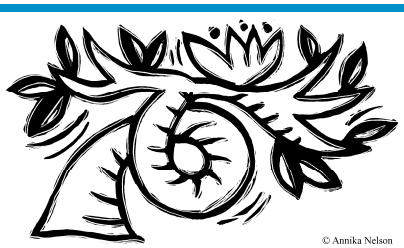
RITE OF RECONCILIATION:
(Confession) 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, Saturday or by appointment.
Weekday Confession held at 7:00 to 7:15 AM.

PARISH REGISTRATION:
At the rectory during office hours.
Regular Office hours 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

WEDDINGS:
Arrangement must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the date of the wedding. Confirm desired date at the church before making other arrangements. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Priscilla. Weddings are not scheduled on Sunday.

BAPTISMS:
English Baptisms will be held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM. Polish Baptisms will be held on the first and third Sundays. Attendance at Baptismal Preparation class is mandatory. Register by calling Rectory.

Rectory: 6949 W. Addison, Chicago, IL 60634 773-545-8840
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First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2009

I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land.
— Jeremiah 33:15

Pastor's Notes



ACTIVE WAITING

As this new liturgical year unfolds, today's readings are most appropriate, for they root us in what it means to live authentically as Christians. The Gospel, with its frightening predictions of the end times, invites the hearer to "be vigilant at all times" (Luke 21:36). This kind of vigilance is not at all passive for the Christian. Instead, it is a kind of active waiting. And what should we be doing while we are waiting for the coming of the Lord? The second reading gives us the answer: "abound in love for one another and for all" (1 Thessalonians 3:12). Today is all about promises made and fulfilled. May this Advent season root us all firmly in a stance of active waiting for the Lord, who brings justice and peace.

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GREATNESS

The measure of greatness
is not the number of servants you have,
but the number of people you serve.
—Anonymous

ADWENT - CZASEM CZUWANIA.

Adwent jest okresem czuwania, tj. czasem, w którym przygotowujemy się na przyjście Chrystusa. Już tyle razy Chrystus do nas przychodził, ale czy my dobrze przeżyliśmy ten okres czekania? Czy czuwaliśmy i czekaliśmy na to przyjście z wiarą, to znaczy z pełnym zaangażowaniem się w Jego przyjście?

Każdy człowiek w życiu na coś lub na kogoś czeka. Matka czeka na powrót dziecka ze szkoły. Żona na powrót męża z pracy. Przyjaciel na przyjazd przyjaciela. Ukochana na powrót ukochanego. Chory czeka na powrót do zdrowia.

Czekanie jest nierozerwalnie związane z naszym życiem. W Adwencie my, ludzie wierzący—czekamy na Chrystusa. Ale czekając musimy stale czuwać, by nas Jego Przyjście nie zaskoczyło. Musimy także bardziej aniżeli kiedykolwiek indziej bardziej rozpoznawać „Znaki Jego przyjścia". Ale zastanówmy się choć przez chwilę, co to znaczy czuwać?

Czuwać—to znaczy przede wszystkim mieć szeroko otwarte oczy. To znaczy widzieć więcej, niż widzimy codziennie. Więcej, niż tylko siebie i swoje sprawy. Wielu ludzi nie interesuje Chrystus dlatego, ponieważ nie widzą zainteresowania się Nim u tych, którzy nazywają się Jego wyznawcami, chrześcijanami. Tak więc dziś muszę sobie zrobić rachunek sumienia z mojej relacji do Chrystusa. Jeżeli pragnę dobrze przeżyć Boże Narodzenie, to muszę za wszelką cenę więcej interesować się Chrystusem, muszę nie tylko wyczekiwać na Jego przyjście, ale zrozumieć prawdę, że On przychodzi po to, aby mnie zbawić.

Czuwać—to znaczy również otworzyć swoje uszy. Wytężyć swój słuch. Aby dobrze usłyszeć przychodzącego Boga, trzeba najpierw wyciszyć wszystko wokół siebie. Trzeba chcieć tylko słyszeć głos mówiącego Boga.

Czuwać—to znaczy jeszcze uwrażliwić swoje sumienie. Co to znaczy? To znaczy, że mamy być czułymi na każdy szept Łaski Bożej. Niech Adwent będzie dla nas wiosną, która niesie ze sobą radość i nadzieję nowego życia. Chrystus przychodzi do nas w tym okresie roku, byśmy zrozumieli, czym jest nowe życie, szczególnie życie dane nam przez kochającego nas i miłosiernego Boga.

Wyjdźmy na spotkanie Jezusa w tym adwentowym czasie z taką miłością, z jaką On do nas przychodzi i módlmy się gorąco, aby to nasze adwentowe czuwanie zakończyło się nie tylko spotkaniem z Chrystusem ale także i pełnym z Nim zjednoczeniem.

-ks. Idzi-



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (29)
7:30 — All Souls in Purgatory: #10
9:00 — Gwen & James Moncada, Sr., 51st Wedding Anniv.
+James Haughey Birthday Remembrance (Family)
10:00— Wypominki
10:30— +Kazimiera Karbarz (Córki z rodzinami)
+Grażyna Grot (A.W. Adamowski)
+Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)
+Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Rodzina)
+Marian Bączek 5-ta rocz. śmierci
12:15— +95th Birthday Rem. for Sophie Plaza (Children)
+Daniel Lynch 4th Death Anniversary (Mom & Dad)
+Jan, Józef, Antonina & Emilia Koziara (Family)
+Edmund & Zofia Koziara (Family)
+Jan & Anna Los (Family)
+Keith Carlson 1st Death Anniversary
6:00 — Za Parafian św. Pryscylli: #1

MONDAY (30) Andrew, apostle
6:30 — For Our Holy Father and all Priests (Emilia Hebda)
8:00 — +Salvatore J. Serio 10th Death Anniversary
(Wife Connie & Family)

TUESDAY (1) Advent Weekday
6:30 — Health & Blessing for Jeanette Krist on her birthday
(Friend)
8:00 — 66th Wedding Anniv. Rem. for Lorraine DuPlantis
and her late husband (Denise)

WEDNESDAY (2) Advent Weekday
6:30 — +Anna Mederos 1st Death Anniversary (Bonnie)
8:00 — +Anastasia Marienfeld Birthday Rem. (Jim Miketta)
8:30 — +Stanisław i Władysław Cnota w rocz. śm. (Siostra)

THURSDAY (3) Francis Xavier, priest
6:30 — For Rev. McMarion, PCPA and Community
(Emilia Hebda)
8:00 — +Helen Lucki (Lisa Simpsen)

FIRST FRIDAY (4) Advent Weekday
6:30 — For our beloved America and all our troops
(Emilia Hebda)
8:00 — For All Poor Souls in Purgatory (Barcebal Family)
7:00 PM — Msza św. w jęz. polskim

FIRST SATURDAY (5) Advent Weekday
8:00 — +Anna Zagajewska (Friends)
8:30 — +Józef Wojno (Rodzina)
4:00 — +Al Willert (Arline)
+Michael Viola (Carolyn Knuerr)
+Ed and Helen Kotkowski (Barbara Corollo)

On a brighter note… ☺

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

Little Johnny replied, "Because people are sleeping."

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (6)
7:30 — St. Priscilla Parishioners: #2
9:00 — +Margaret, Peggy 9th Death Anniv., Bridget Leyden
(Leyden Family)
+Salvatore & Erminia DeSimone (Michael)
+Aniela & Adam Radek (F. Mizera Family)
+Chas Turnquist Birthday Anniv. (E. Cademartrie)
+Carmela Arnoni 9th Death Anniv. (Arnoni Family)
+George & Madeline McAlevy (Son Vincent & Fam.)
10:30— O Boże bł. i potrzebne łaski dla Piotra Grocholskiego
z racji urodzin (Polska Grupa)
O radość w wieczności dla:
+Kazimiera Karbarz (Córki z rodzinami)
+Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Rodzina)
12:15— +Sophie Plaza 15th Death Anniversary (Children)
6:00 PM — +Za Dusze Wszystkich Zmarłych i Polecanych
w Wypominkach: #10

2009 Annual Catholic Appeal

"...do all for the glory of God." - 1 Corinthians 10:31

Over 90,000 households throughout the Archdiocese have supported the 2009 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your gifts are given to help your neighbors in Cook and Lake Counties and around the world.

Just one more pledge billing will be sent before the conclusion of the 2009 Annual Catholic Appeal of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Many thanks to those of you who have completed your pledges.

Whether your gift is large or small, when combined with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners throughout the Archdiocese, every gift makes a very real difference in the ability of the Archdiocese to provide vital ministries and services. Thank you again for your support.

Our Weekly Offering

November 15, 2009

Currency	**$ 4,419.00**
Checks	**$ 3,116.00**
Loose Coin	**$ 11.88**
Total	**$ 7,546.88**
Weekly Goal	**$ 10,000.00**
Budget Year to Date	**$200,000.00**
Collections Year to Date	**$140,428.50**
Under Budget	**$<59,571.50>**

Thank you for your generosity and support of our Parish.

V POLSKA ZABAWA PODZIĘKOWANIE

Jako Proboszcz pragnę wyrazić słowa uznania i podziękowania dla Organizatorów V Jesiennej Zabawy, dla całego Komitetu Organizacyjnego, jak również i dla Sponsorów, którzy na różne sposoby przyczynili się do naszego wspólnego sukcesu.

Wśród wielu sponsorów w szczególny sposób dziękuję właścicielom Delikatesów POLMART—Małgorzacie i Józefowi Wieczorkom za sponsorowanie jedzenia na całą zabawę. Czynią to już po raz kolejny zawsze z wielkim sercem i bezinteresownie.

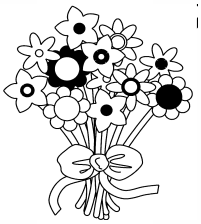
Dziękuję także Marii i Kazimierzowi Czochara za sponsorowanie Orkiestry na poprzednie i na ostatnią zabawę.

Dzięki ofiarnej pracy całego Komitetu Organizacyjnego ostatniej zabawy, dzięki naszym Sponsorom i wszystkim Uczestnikom Zabawy osiągnęliśmy dochód **$3,696.00**. Raz jeszcze wszystkim składam serdeczne Bóg zapłać i Dziękuję!

Ks. Idzi Stacherczak, Proboszcz

FIFTH ANNUAL FALL DANCE THANK YOU!

As the Pastor of St. Priscilla, I would like to thank those who worked to organize our Fifth Annual Fall Dance. Our Organizational Committee and our many sponsors all worked hard to make this dance a success.



Among the many wonderful sponsors we had, I would like to especially thank the owners of POLMART Delicatessen, Margaret & Joseph Wieczorek, for providing us with food for the evening. This is not the first time that they have generously donated food and they always do it with a big heart.

I would also like to thank Maria and Casey Czochara who paid for our entertainment for this evening and also for our previous dances.

Thanks to the hard work of our entire Organizational Committee, our sponsors and all of our guests that evening, our profit was **$3,696.00**. Once again, I would like to thank everyone! God Bless!

Rev. Idzi Stacherczak, Pastor

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
December 5th & December 6th

MINISTER(S)	SATURDAY 4:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:00 AM	SUNDAY 10:30 AM	SUNDAY 12:15 PM	SUNDAY 6:00 PM
CELEBRANT	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled
DEACON						
LECTOR	Marilyn Picchietti	Dominika Ziobro	Camelia Rodriguez	As scheduled	Virginia Knight	As scheduled
COMMENTATOR						
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled
ALTAR SERVERS	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled



Scouting News

St. Priscilla Cub Scout Pack 3803 will be sponsoring a food drive for our local food pantries on December 5th and 6th. We will have collection boxes set up in the back of church after all of the weekend Masses. Please bring your nonperishable food items, boxed and canned food only, to church that weekend. Our neighborhood food pantry supplies are at an all time low and anything that you can contribute will be much appreciated! Thank you for your support and generosity!

The Scouts and Leaders of
Cub Scout Pack 3803



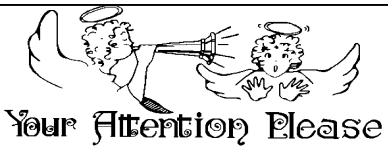
St. William Church will be hosting a three-day in-church Novena to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe Wednesday, 12/9, through Friday, 12/11. A Mass Celebration will follow on Saturday at 6:00 PM on December 12. A fiesta/party will follow in the school hall. The Novena begins each night at 7:00 PM—the schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, December 9th
Explanation of Las Apariciones de Guadalupe and rosary with presentation of live roses, Litany of the Blessed Virgin

Thursday, December 10th
In offering for police officers, firefighters, and the military, the names of fallen soldiers from Illinois will be read aloud. The priest will extend a special blessing to all police officers, firefighters and military personnel that are present.

Friday, December 11th
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

St. William Church is located at 2559 N. Sayre. Contact St. William Church at (773) 637-6565 with any questions.



Catholics Come Home: Chicago-Style Evangelization

Many parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago have tried to find effective ways to reach out to "inactive" Catholics. This year, there is an evangelization effort that will support those efforts through a media campaign called **Catholics Come Home**. The Archdiocese of Chicago and the Dioceses of Joliet and Rockford have joined together in this evangelization effort and have funded the commercials, which will be shown on all major networks within this large viewing area including ABC, NBC, CBS, WGN, FOX, cable stations, Univision, Telemundo, Polsat and Polvision.

The centerpiece of this evangelization effort is a commercial titled Epic that has been translated into three languages: English, Polish, and Spanish. This commercial has won multiple awards, including a 2008 Telly Award for Top Honors and 2009 Communicator Awards. The commercial campaign will begin on December 16, 2009, and run for 5 ½ weeks; over that time, the average TV viewer will see a Catholics Come Home commercial 13 to 20 times.

The Office for Evangelization has created a webpage devoted to Catholics Come Home. This is the place to see a truly "Chicago" look of the media campaign and to find facts, photos, and resources specifically for parishes in the Archdiocese. For more information, go to www.CatholicsComeHomeCHICAGO.org.



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OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONFESSION

Beginning this Sunday, we entered into Advent. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas, our parish, along with other parishes in our Deanery, will have additional opportunities for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Below, please find a list of all the parishes in our deanery, along with addresses, dates and times for Reconciliation. Please do all that you can to prepare for Jesus' coming and remember to receive the sacrament of Penance either at our home parish or at one of our nearby churches.

SAINT PRISCILLA CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Daily from 7:00–7:15 A.M. —— Every Saturday from 3:00–3:45 P.M.

Tuesday, December 15th 6:00 P.M. Communal Penance Service & Confession *English*
Saturday, December 19th 3:00–4:00 P.M. *English & Polish*
Sunday, December 20th 4:00–7:00 P.M. Bilingual Confession *English & Polish*

St. Beatrice – located at 4157 Atlantic Ave.
Schiller Park, IL 60176

Every Saturday from 4:00–4:30 P.M. *English*
Saturday, December 19th from 4:00–4:30 P.M. *English*

St. Celestine – located at 3020 N. 76th Ct.
Elmwood Park, IL 60707

Every Saturday after 8:00 A.M. Mass *English*
Every Saturday from 4:15 P.M. *English*
Thursday & Friday, Dec. 10th, 11th: School Confession
12:00–2:30 P.M. *English (All welcome.)*
Saturday, December 19th from 3:45–4:45 P.M.
English & Polish
Monday, December 21st from 7:00 P.M. *English & Polish*

St. Cyprian – located at 2601 N. Clinton St.
River Grove, IL 60171

Every Saturday from 4:15–4:45 P.M. *English*
Tuesday, December 1st: School Confession
11:00 A.M., 4:00, 7:00 P.M. *English (All welcome.)*
Saturday, December 19th: Parish Confession
from 3:30 P.M. *English*

Divine Savior – located at 7750 W. Montrose Ave.
Norridge, IL 60706

Every Saturday from 3:00–3:45 P.M. *English*
Tuesday, December 15th from 7:00 P.M. *English*

St. Francis Borgia – located at 8033 W. Addison St.
Chicago, IL 60634

Every Saturday from 4:00–4:45 P.M. *English & Polish*
Saturday, December 19th from 1:30–4:30 P.M.
English, Polish & Italian

St. Gertrude – located at 9613 Schiller Blvd.
Franklin Park, IL 60131

Every Saturday from 4:00–5:00 P.M.
English, Polish & Spanish
Thursday, December 10th from 8:00 P.M. *Spanish*
Monday, December 14th from 6:30 P.M. *English*
Thursday, December 17th from 6:00–8:00 P.M. *Polish*

St. Maria Goretti
– located at 3929 N. Wehrman Ave.
Schiller Park, IL 60176

Every Saturday from 4:00 P.M. *English*
Monday, December 21st from 7:00 P.M.
English, Polish, Spanish & Italian

Our Lady, Mother of the Church
– located at 8701 W. Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL 60656

Every Saturday from 4:00–4:30 P.M. *English*

St. Rosalie – located at 4401 N. Oak Park Ave.
Harwood Heights, IL 60706

Every Saturday from 3:00–3:45 P.M. *English*

St. William
– located at 2558 N. Sayre Ave., Chicago, IL 60707
Wednesday, December 16th from 7:00 P.M. *English*