

# st. priscilla church



**Rev. Idzi Stacherczak, Pastor**  
**Rev. Daniel Kusa, Associate Pastor**  
**Mrs. Judy Banasiak, Coordinator of Religious Education**  
**Mrs. Anna Adamowski, Parish Secretary**  
**Mrs. Anna Knap, Business Manager**  
**Mrs. Anna Ewko, Music Director**

## 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.

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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)**



## **Third Sunday of Advent December 11, 2011**

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Spiritual Reflection**A SIMPLER CHRISTMAS**

- ☺ Forget the “ideal” Christmas complete with snow, carols, angelically-behaved children, and the perfect presents, food, and decorations. Put the emphasis on Jesus.
- ☺ If there is a Christmas chore or activity that you hate, either stop doing it or stop complaining. If you still do it and you still complain, don't expect sympathy!
- ☺ If you dread writing and mailing Christmas cards, don't bother. If you want to greet people in a simpler way, use Internet sites such as catholicgreetings.org and send e-cards with a few clicks of your mouse.
- ☺ If you are hosting a Christmas dinner for family and friends, don't do everything yourself. Tell the people living with you they can all pitch in—assign tasks if necessary—and ask guests to bring their favorite dish.
- ☺ Don't spend what you don't have. Set a dollar limit and stick to it.
- ☺ Consider a family gift exchange, or donate to a favorite charity in honor of friends and family. Place gifts under a parish or community giving tree. Give coupons representing your gifts of time and talent to those you love. Buy gifts that are faith-related from your parish bookstore.
- ☺ Create your own traditions: make a Christmas nativity scene; light Christmas candles; go with the family to Midnight Mass; read the Christmas stories out loud (in Matthew 1 and 2 and Luke 1 and 2); help serve dinner in a shelter.
- ☺ Don't expect too much from others. Don't expect them to be in a certain mood or to behave in certain ways, or to give you the right gifts.
- ☺ Don't do anything to excess: gift-giving, partying, drinking, eating.
- ☺ Don't fight with family, particularly over who does or does not go to church; don't bring up old grudges.

**Pastor's Notes ŚWIADECTWO JANA CHRZCICIELA...**

Także w dzisiejszą niedzielę jest z nami św. Jan Chrzciciel. Dowiadujemy się o nim wielu ciekawych rzeczy. Najpierw umiłowany uczeń Chrystusa wystawia swemu imiennikowi wyjątkowo pochlebne świadectwo. Jan Chrzciciel jest człowiekiem posłanym przez Boga, ma określone zadanie do spełnienia - ma dać świadectwo o światłości. Tą światłością jest sam Jezus Chrystus. Jan Chrzciciel powie, że on tylko chrzci wodą, ale pośród was stanął Ten, którego wy nie znacie. On idzie po mnie, ja nie jestem godzien nawet rozwiązać rzemyka u Jego sandałów.

Jan Chrzciciel w swojej rozmowie z faryzeuszami stwierdzał także pozytywnie kim jest. Powiedział: „Jestem głosem wołającym na pustyni: prostujcie drogę Pańską” (J. 1, 23). Wyrażenie to należy rozumieć, „jestem głosem samego Boga”, to nie ja, to Bóg przeze mnie do was przemawia. A jeśli Bóg przemawia i Bóg wzywa do pokuty, to głosu Boga nie wolno zlekceważyć.

W Adwencie zatem trzeba się uwrażliwić na ten głos Boga, trzeba go nie tylko słyszeć, ale także nasłuchiwać, z której strony i od której osoby on do mnie dolatuje. Głos Boga dochodzi do mnie z czytanych stron Pisma świętego, które częściej i więcej powinniśmy brać do rąk w okresie Adwentu. Dochodzi także do mnie z ust Ojca świętego, który tak często wzywa nas do miłości Chrystusa i Jego Kościoła. Ten głos Boga słyszę, ile razy uczestniczę we Mszy świętej, kiedy przystępuję do Komunii świętej - jakże wtedy szczerze i serdecznie przemawia do mnie Chrystus. Często głos Boży dolatuje do mnie od strony moich przyjaciół, życzliwych mi ludzi, tych wszystkich, którym bliskie i drogie jest moje zbawienie.

Jan Chrzciciel, jako głos Boga, wołający na pustyni, wzywa nas do prostowania dróg Pańskich. Chodzi tu przede wszystkim o drogę do naszego serca. Ona musi być dla Boga uporządkowana, prosta i otwarta na Jego przyjście. Bowiem największą dla człowieka tragedią jest nieznanostwo Chrystusa. Niech więc w tym czasie Adwentowym dawanie świadectwa o Chrystusie stanie się nie tylko zasadą naszego życia, ale także programem naszego postępowania.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (11)**

- 7:30 — Parishioners of St. Priscilla: #50  
 9:00 — +Donald Hum 12 Death Anniversary (Mom)  
 +Martin Weldin Birthday Remembrance (Daughter)  
 +Deceased Members of the Heiberger & Grossmayer Families (Nick Grossmayer Family)  
 +Margaret Peggy & Bridget Leyden (Leyden Family)  
 +Johanna Silbernagel (Helen, Alex & Family)  
 +Helen Wasiukiewicz 10th Death Anniv. (Family)  
 +Dorothy Cloherty (Family)  
 10:30— O Boże bł. i potrzebne łaski dla Pawła Dziura z rodz. O zdrowie i bł. Boże dla Krzysztofa i Kasi Wiernat O bł. Boże i powrót do zdr. dla Janiny Strucińskiej

**O radość w wieczności dla:**

- +Stanisław Karbarz (Rodzina)  
 +Czesław Białous (Żona i Córka)  
 +Helena i Mieczysław Wójcik (Córka z rodziną)  
 +Stefan Birlet (Przyjaciele)  
 +Aleksander, Maria i Andrzej Burzawa  
 +Katarzyna i Franciszek Kosoń  
 +Józef i Stefania Kuryło  
 +Aleksander Czechowicz (Dzieci z Wnukami)  
 +Genowefa Łoś 1-sza rocz. śmierci  
 +Mieczysława i Stanisław Łoś  
 +Władysława i Stanisławę Łoś  
 +Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)  
 +Krystyna Marcinkiewicz  
 12:15— +Josephine Jahn-Domin 10th Death Anniversary (Daughter & Family)  
 +Maria Concetta Duca Anniv. Of Names Day (Frank & Ross Duca & Family)  
 +Carlo Duca (Frank & Ross Duca & Family)  
 6:00 — Za Dusze Wszystkich Zmarłych i Polecanych w Wypominkach: #10

**MONDAY (12) Our Lady of Guadalupe**

- 6:30 — +Sobiesław Łabno  
 8:00 — +Ann Lennarson (Family)

**TUESDAY (13) Saint Lucy, virgin and martyr**

- 6:30 — +Lucy, Joseph, Mary, Matt Fruzynski (Family)  
 8:00 — +For the repose of the soul of Loretta M. Brania (Daniel G. Manczak Family)

6:00 P.M. — Communal Penance Service & Confession

**WEDNESDAY (14) Saint John of the Cross,**

**priest and doctor of the Church**

- 6:30 — +Stanisław Karbarz Birthday Remembrance (Fr. Idzi)  
 8:00 — +John Pytko 57th Death Anniversary (Daughters)  
 8:30 — O dar rozumu i przemiany dla Angeliki o i zdrowie dla Marii

**THURSDAY (15) Advent Weekday**

- 6:30 — +Ruth Schweitzer (Friend)  
 8:00 — +Margaret McGlynn (Family)

**FRIDAY (16) Advent Weekday**

- 6:30 — Parishioners of St. Priscilla: #51  
 8:00 — +Katarzyna i Jan Zawalski; +Janina i Józef Godawiec; +Ryszard Godawiec (Dorota Godawiec)

**SATURDAY (17) Late Advent Weekday**

- 8:00 — +Ann Belluomini Birthday Remembrance (Joy)  
 8:30 — +Antoni Czesław Świdorski (Rodzina)  
 4:00 — +Edward DuPlantis (Lorraine DuPlantis)  
 +Bernice Hujar (Hujar Family)  
 +John Czekaj (Daughter)  
 +George Brizzolara (Mary Frances Brown & Family)

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (18)**

- 7:30 — +Gabriel V. Aquino 2nd Death Anniversary (Family)  
 9:00 —  
 10:30— O łaskę zdrowia dla Pawła Dziura (Żona i Córka)  
 O opiekę Matki Bożej z podz. za otrzymane łaski z racji urodzin dla Elżbiety i Wiesława Mroczkowskich (Mama)

**O radość w wieczności dla:**

- +Czesław Białous (Żona i Córka)  
 +Genowefa Czechowicz 7-miesiący po śmierci (Dzieci z Wnukami)  
 +Dariusz Lubas w dniu imienin (Mama)  
 +Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)  
 +Krystyna Marcinkiewicz  
 12:15— +Marlene Klauba (Husband Bennet Klauba)  
 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. — Confession / Spowiedź Święteczna  
 6:00 — O łaski potrzebne dla Jakuba

**THANK YOU, ST. PRISCILLA PARISHIONERS!**

The Knights of Columbus, Mater Christi Council, would like to thank the 585 parishioners of St. Priscilla who took baby bottles home this last weekend to support our fundraising drive to benefit the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Center of Hope and Healing.

On the weekend of Dec. 17th and 18th, we ask that you return the bottle with your donation. A baby basinet will be set up in front of the altar so that you can deposit your bottle before or after each Mass. If you forget to bring the bottle to Mass, please drop it off at the rectory during the week. If you are writing a check, please make it payable to the Fr. Michael J. McGivney Center of Hope and Healing. Thank you for your support of this program!

Our Weekly Offering		<b>November 27, 2011</b>
<b>Currency</b>		<b>\$ 5,086.00</b>
<b>Checks</b>		<b>\$ 2,404.00</b>
<b>Loose Coin</b>		<b>\$ 9.41</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 7,499.41</b>
<b>Weekly Goal</b>		<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<b>Budget Year to Date</b>		<b>\$220,000.00</b>
<b>Collections Year to Date</b>		<b>\$152,218.86</b>
<b>Under Budget</b>		<b>\$&lt;67,781.14&gt;</b>
<b>Thank you for your generosity and support of our Parish.</b>		



Our monthly general membership meeting and Christmas Party will take place on **Sunday, December 11, 2011.**

We will attend the **9:00 A.M. Mass** with our wives and the widows of our former members. Following the Mass, we will go to the lower level of the rectory for our meeting and party. Ladies, please spread the word! All wives and widows of former members are invited to this special meeting!!

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB**



**\*Meeting and Christmas Party\***

**Tuesday, December 13th**

Rectory Round room at 12:00 P.M.

Please join us!  
Merry Christmas to all!



**SIMBANG GABI  
ST. PRISCILLA CHURCH**

**DECEMBER 17, 2011**

**6:30 P.M. - Holy Rosary  
7:00 P.M. - Simbang Gabi Mass**

**Volunteers are WELCOME  
for your time, talent, and treasure!  
Bring a favorite food to share!**



*Rest in Peace*

Helen Jezutti

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY  
December 17th & December 18th**

MINISTER(S)	SATURDAY 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY 7:30 A.M.	SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.	SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.	SUNDAY 12:15 P.M.	SUNDAY 6:00 P.M.
LECTOR	Krystian Zyszczyński	Elżbieta Molek	Rich Mizera	As scheduled	Virginia Knight	As scheduled
COMMENTATOR						
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Brown Nabor Dziwik Sulak	Aquino Sloan Leahy	Duffy Clancy Harmata Ribaldo	As scheduled	Picchiotti Hernandez Knight	As scheduled

**DECEMBER 2010**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11.	12. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	13. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession  6:00 P.M. Penance Service	14. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	15. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	16. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	17. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession  3:00 - 4:00 P.M. Confession  7:00 P.M. Simbang Gabi
18. 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. Bilingual English & Polish Confession	19. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	20. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	21. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	22. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	23. 7:00 - 7:30 A.M. Confession	24. <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b> 4:00 P.M. Family Mass 9:30 P.M. Polish Pasterka 12:00 A.M. Midnight Mass
25. <b>CHRISTMAS</b> English Masses: 7:30, 9:00 A.M. 12:15 P.M.  Polish Masses: 10:30 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	26. <b>St. Stephen św. Szczepan</b> English Masses: 6:30 A.M. 8:00 A.M. Polish Mass: 7:00 P.M.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31.  4:00 P.M. Bilingual Mass and Special Devotion (English/Polish)
1. <b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b> English Masses: 7:30, 9:00 A.M. 12:15 P.M.  Polish Masses: 10:30 A.M. 6:00 P.M.						



**Pray for ...**

George Adamick - Ann Aitken - Sandra Anderson - Joe Bargi - Lorraine Belokon - Dorothy Castronovo - Rosemary Cursio - Jan Drożdż - John Greco - Nick Grossmayer - Jennifer Hebda - Andrew Jennings - Carrie Kacen - Marie Kane - Janet Kaplan - LaVerne Kmieciak - Dolores LaValle - Maria Lech - Peter Leyden - Mary Lund - Mary Lynch - Michael Manczko - Barbara McDonald - Mike Muka - Antoni Nierzejewski - Carol Niewinski - Catherine O'Brien - Henry Orry - Casimir Plicner - Shirley Potempa - Mary Sanders - Augusto Sandoval - Norbert Schultz - Genowefa Solak - Mary Spiewak - Gina Swensen - Patricia Tytro - Roger Vlasos - Rose Wachs - Stanley Wcislo - Jola Wolfe - Katie Young

If you have not yet done so and would like to have your name added to our Parish "Pray For..." list, please call the rectory at **773-545-8840 ext. 221**. Thank you!

# End of one era, beginning of another...



After many faithful years of service, a few of our veteran extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist are retiring from this lay ministry. We will forever be grateful to:

<b>Evelyn Cademartrie</b>	<b>Lillian Kusmider</b>	<b>Anna Ramaglia</b>
<b>Barbara Taschler</b>	<b>Virginia Zyburt</b>	

for their many, many years of dedicated, pious service to God in our parish. They have set an example for all parishioners of what it means to be a devout Catholic.

As these veteran Eucharistic ministers retire, we would like to present the parish with our newly commissioned extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist:

<b>Urszula Dziwik</b>	<b>Rose Ferina</b>	<b>Mary Graf</b>	<b>Anna Harmata</b>
<b>Roman Harmata</b>	<b>Rick Hernandez</b>	<b>Eunhi Kim</b>	<b>Teresa Koziar</b>
<b>Kathleen Leahy</b>	<b>Lorna Masacupan</b>	<b>Christine Mizera</b>	
<b>Charlene Poran</b>	<b>Maria Raźniak</b>	<b>Joy Ward</b>	

These 14 parishioners were commissioned at a special blessing during the 9:00 A.M. Mass on Sunday, November 27. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their service to the people of St. Priscilla.



*Captions:*

- Top: Newly commissioned extraordinary ministers wait at the altar as Fr. Idzi bestows the blessing upon them.
- Left: Maria Raźniak receives her certificate.
- Right: Joy Ward receives her certificate.