

st. priscilla church



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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.

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)

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First Sunday of Advent November 28, 2010

**“You . . . must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.”**
— *Matthew 24:44*

Spiritual Reflection

In today's world the Christmas season starts on the day after Thanksgiving and ends on December 25. For many of us this time is filled with baking, sending cards, choosing gifts, attending parties, and setting up a Christmas tree and decorations. Add to this our daily work schedules and the needs of our children and this time of the year can be very stressful.

The Church puts a different emphasis on the next four weeks. This is Advent, the season of expectation, with scripture readings and prayers calling on us to prepare in our hearts and lives for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day.

According to our heritage, we may already have Advent customs such as the lighting of candles on the Advent wreath, a Jesse tree, setting up a manger scene ready for the Christ child at Christmas, or special devotions.

An Advent tradition from Germany called *Kristkindl* (meaning "Christ child") is suitable for families, small church groups, or even for individuals. The original custom was for the mother of the house to pass a bowl around the family circle containing rolled-up slips of paper with a family member's name on each one. Each would take one slip and carefully looked at the name so no one else could see it. For the rest of Advent the person named on the paper became the *Kristkindl* of the person who took the slip of paper, and he or she would do at least one good deed a day for them, but without them finding out who did it! Even young children could do this. It became a treasured way of preparing hearts to serve Christ through serving other people.

Honor Jesus in the person of your *Kristkindl*: pray for them, save money to send to a good cause in their name, donate gifts to a shelter, do extra chores unasked, adopt a needy family.

Living Stewardship Now

Drop something you usually do at this time of year but do not enjoy. Choose an Advent custom and make it part of your daily routine.

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Pastor's Notes



ADWENT CZASEM CZUWANIA

„Lecz co wam mówię, mówię wszystkim: czuwajcie”. (Mk. 13,37)

Adwent jest czasem czuwania, tj. okresem, w którym przygotowujemy się na przyjście Chrystusa. Już tyle razy do nas przychodził, ale czy 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 kogoś czeka. Matka czeka na powrót dziecka ze szkoły. Żona na powrót męża z pracy. Przyjaciół na przyjazd przyjaciół. Ukochana na powrót ukochanego. Chory na powrót do zdrowia.

Czekanie jest nierozdzielnie związane z naszym życiem. W Adwencie, my, ludzie wierzący - czekamy na Chrystusa. Ale czekając musimy stale czuwać, aby nas Jego przyjście nie zaskoczyło. Ale co to znaczy właściwie czuwać?

Czuwać, to znaczy przede wszystkim mieć szeroko otwarte oczy. Widzieć więcej, niż widzimy codziennie. Więcej, niż tylko siebie i swoje sprawy. Czy widzisz w Adwencie przy ołtarzu zapaloną świecę? Czy pomyślałeś o tym, co ona oznacza? Czy zastanowiłeś się nad tym, że ty musisz być świecą, która świeci, grzeje, a przy tym nieustannie się spala? Tą świecą jest Chrystus.

Czy wiesz dlaczego wielu ludzi nie interesuje Chrystus? Dlatego, bo nie widzą zainteresowania się Nim u tych, którzy nazywają się Jego wyznawcami - chrześcijanami. Dziś każdy z nas musi sobie zrobić rachunek sumienia ze stopnia naszej przynależności do Chrystusa. Jeśli dobrze pragniemy przeżyć Boże Narodzenie, to musimy za wszelką cenę więcej interesować się Chrystusem, musimy nie tylko wyczekiwać na Jego przyjście, ale zrozumieć prawdę, że ON przychodzi po to, aby nas zbawić.

Otwórzmy szerzej oczy, a zobaczymy GO nie tylko w sobie, ale i także wokół siebie.

Czuwać - to znaczy również otworzyć swoje uszy, uważnie słuchać Słowa Bożego, chcieć tylko słuchać mówiącego Boga. W Adwencie musimy zrozumieć słowa św. Pawła, który woła do nas w Liście do Rzymian: „Noc przeminęła a dzień się już zbliżył... Teraz nadeszła dla nas godzina powstania ze snu. Odrzućmy więc uczynki ciemności a przyobleczmy się w zbroje światłości” (Rz. 13, 11-13).

Wiedząc o tym, że w czasie zbliżającego się Bożego Narodzenia przychodzi do nas sam Pan, powinniśmy się na to spotkanie jak najlepiej przygotować. Gdy nadejdzie Boże Narodzenie, Pan powinien nas zastać czuwającymi i z duszą przygotowaną; tak też powinno wyglądać nasze ostateczne z Nim spotkanie. Musimy wyprostować ścieżki naszego życia, zwrócić się ku temu Bogu, który do nas przychodzi. Bowiem całe życie człowieka jest ciągłym przygotowywaniem się na oglądanie Pana, który się zbliża.

- ks. Idzi -

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (28)**

7:30 — +St. Priscilla Parishioners: #1

9:00 — +William Taschler Birthday Remembrance
(Barbara & Grandchildren)

10:00 — Wypominki

10:30 — O łaskę zdrowia dla Pawła Dziura (Żona)

O radość w wieczności dla:

+Stanisław Karbarz (Krystyna Poniewierska)

+Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)

+Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Rodzina)

+O spokój duszy dla Czesława Kita 4-ta rocz. śmierci

12:15 — +Daniel Lynch 5th Death Anniversary (Mom & Dad)

+Manuel Trego (Edyta Sitkowski & Family)

6:00 — O Boże bł. i potrzebne łaski w 13-tą rocz. ślubu

Andrzeja i Katarzyny Plizga

Podz. z prośbą o łaski Boże dla rodziny i przyjaciół

Andrzeja Plizga

O radość w wieczności dla:

+Czesława Gurgul (Anna z rodziną)

+Jan Cieśla (Żona)

+Wojciech Cieśla (Mama)

MONDAY (29) Advent Weekday

6:30 — +Everett "Rob" Young

8:00 — +Rev. Paul McArdle (Evelyn)

TUESDAY (30) Saint Andrew, apostle

6:30 — +St. Priscilla Parishioners: #2

8:00 — +Salvatore Serio 12th Death Anniversary
(Wife Connie & Family)**WEDNESDAY (1) Advent Weekday**

6:30 — Jeanette Krist (Friend)

8:00 — Lorraine DuPlantis for Health & Blessings
(Denise DuPlantis)

8:30 — +Danuta i Mieczysław Leśniak (Córka z rodziną)

THURSDAY (2) Advent Weekday

6:30 — +Amanda Jarosz

8:00 — +Anastasia Marienfeld Birthday Rem. (Jim Miketta)

FIRST FRIDAY (3) Saint Francis Xavier, priest

6:30 — +Helena Olszewska

8:00 — +All Poor Souls in Purgatory (Barcebal Family)

7:00 P.M. — +Stanisław Karbarz

FIRST SATURDAY (4) Advent Weekday

8:00 — +Chas Turnquist Birthday Remembrance (Evelyn)

8:30 — +Ryszard Godawiec I-sza rocz. śmierci

4:00 — +St. Priscilla Parishioners: #3

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (5)

7:30 —

9:00 — +Martin Weldin (Daughter)

+Erminia & Salvatore DeSimone (Michael)

+Aniela & Adam Radek (Mizera Family)

+Carmela Arnone 10th Death Anniversary
(Daughter & Family)10:30 — O Boże bł. i potrzebne łaski dla Piotra Grocholski
z racji urodzin (Polska Grupa)

O Boże bł. dla Pawła Dziura i rodziny

O radość w wieczności dla:

+Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)

+Jan Cieśla (Żona)

+Wojciech Cieśla (Mama)

+Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Rodzina)

12:15 — +Nicholas Alleva, Jr. (Family & Friends)

6:00 —

Pastor Al®

"...the family lights them, and their kid makes a wish and blows them out. I suggest better CCD attendance."

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Our Weekly Offering

November 7, 2010

Currency	\$ 4,458.00
Checks	\$ 2,073.00
Loose Coin	\$ 13.27
Total	\$ 6,544.27
Weekly Goal	\$ 10,000.00
Budget Year to Date	\$200,000.00
Collections Year to Date	\$132,626.35
Under Budget	\$ <67,373.65>

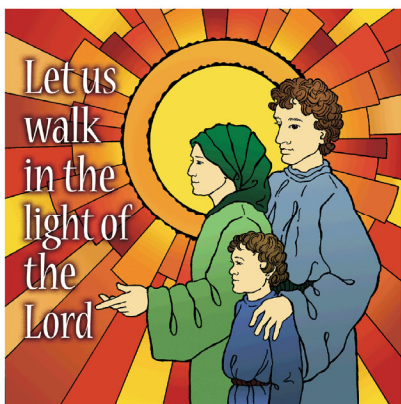
Thank you for your generosity and support of our Parish.



SIMBANG GABI ST. PRISCILLA CHURCH

DECEMBER 18, 2010

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



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Pray for ...

George Adamick -
Ann Aitken - Sandra
Anderson - Joe Bargi -
John Barry - Dorothy
Castronovo - Jan Drożdż - Concetta Duca - Maria
C. Duca - Nick Grossmayer - Jennifer Hebda -
Andrew Jennings - Carrie Kacen - Marie Kane -
Janet Kaplan - LaVerne Kmiec - Maria Lech -
Peter Leyden - Mary Lund - Mary Lynch - Mi-
chael Manczko - Barbara McDonald - Mike Muka
- Antoni Nierzejewski - Catherine O'Brien -
Henry Orry - Casimir Plicner - Shirley Potempa -
Mary Sanders - Genowefa Solak - Mary Spiewak
- Gina Swensen - Patricia Tytro - Rose Wachs -
Jola Wolfe - Toni Woods - 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!

Visit the Official
St. Priscilla Church Web Site at
www.stpriscilla.org

Church News Mass Schedules
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Contact Information

For more information on the parish web site, to have information posted, request an account, or to become a sponsor, contact the parish webmaster at webmaster@stpriscilla.org or call the parish rectory.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY December 4th & December 5th

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	Karl Rodriguez	Virginia Zyburt	Erlinda Villegas	Kazimiera Ziobro	Jim Miketta	Jolanta Grocholska
COMMENTATOR				Stanisław Słonina		Piotr Grocholski
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	As scheduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	Stanisław Słonina Krystyna Cioch	As scheduled	Ryszard Janusiak Stanisław Ryczek



RECONCILIATION SERVICE

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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.

Saturday, December 18th	3:00–4:00 P.M. <i>English & Polish</i>
Sunday, December 19th	4:00–7:00 P.M. Bilingual Confession <i>English & Polish</i>
Tuesday, December 21st	6:00 P.M. Communal Penance Service & Confession <i>English</i>

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

Every Saturday from 4:00–4:30 P.M. *English*
Tuesday, Dec. 14th from 7:00 P.M. *Penance Service*

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*

Monday, December 20th 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 14th

1:00 P.M., 4:15, 7:15 P.M. *English (All welcome.)*

Saturday, December 18th: Parish Reconciliation Service
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 14th from 7:00 P.M. *English, Polish
and Italian*

St. William — located at 2558 N. Sayre Ave.,
Chicago, IL 60707

Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:15 P.M.
except no confessions on Christmas Day

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

Everyday after 7:30 A.M. Mass

Every Saturday from 4:00–4:45 P.M. *English & Polish*

Saturday, December 18th 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

Monday, Dec. 6th from 8:00 P.M. *Spanish Conf.*

Mon., Dec. 13th from 6:30 P.M. *English Mission & Conf.*

Tuesday, Dec. 14th from 7:00 P.M. *Polish Mission*

Wednesday, Dec. 15th from 6:30 P.M. *Polish Conf.*

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

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

Monday, December 20th 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*

Monday, Dec. 13th from 7:00 P.M. *English*

Saturday, Dec. 18th from 3:00–5:00 P.M. *English & Polish*

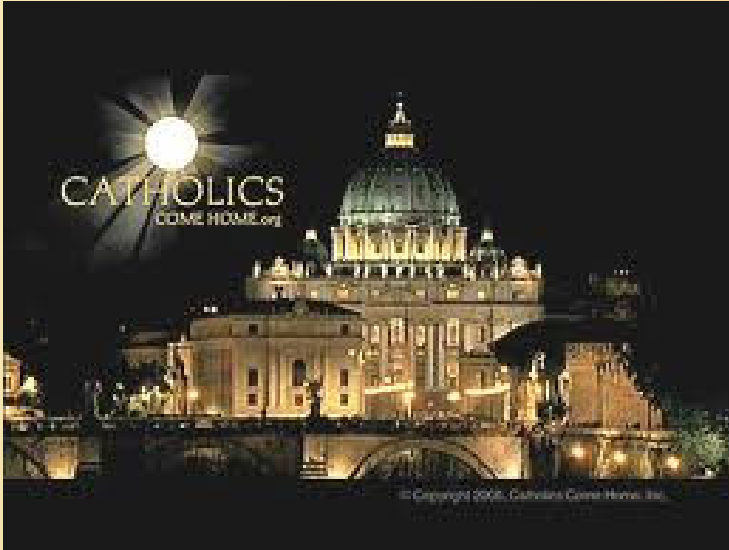
St. Rosalie — located at 4401 N. Oak Park Ave.
Harwood Heights, IL 60706

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

Tuesday, Dec. 14 from 6.30 P.M. *English*

Friday, Dec. 17 from 6.30 P.M. *Polish*

Saturday, Dec. 18 from 6.30 P.M. *Polish*



Evangelization through TV Ads

Evangelization has always been the mission of the Catholic Church. The call to evangelize first given to us by Christ requires that we proclaim the word of God using every means of communication. In the Church today, using the media has become indispensable in bringing the Gospel message into the world through the internet, radio and television.

In 2009, Cardinal George collaborated with the Bishops in the Dioceses of Rockford and Joliet on an evangelization initiative using television advertisements. *Catholics Come Home Chicago* gave us 5½ weeks of ads in 3 languages, broadcast on 10 networks that invited Catholics who had drifted from the practice of the faith to come home.

As the events of *Catholics Come Home Chicago* come to an end, we asked parishes to complete a survey on the initiative. We received 440 surveys from Pastors and Parish Contact Persons with over 70% stating that the evangelization initiative was a benefit to their parish in several ways. Our efforts resulted in an increase in Mass attendance, more people participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a renewed sense of Catholic identity in active parishioners and affirmation for Parish Staffs who have focused on evangelization in their individual parishes. While we have experienced a period of growth in number and strength, we know that the continuation of this movement is the responsibility of every person in every parish.

This year there will be NEW *Catholics Come Home* ads shown on TV from mid-December to mid-January. Once again, the ads will become a catalyst for faith conversations and moments of evangelization in homes, schools, neighborhoods and places of business all around the Archdiocese. You can find out more about this evangelization effort and how you can participate by going to our website at www.CatholicsComeHomeCHICAGO.org.