



The second Sunday of Advent symbolizes Faith with the Bethlehem Candle reminding us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem

We are a welcoming Roman Catholic Parish that cherishes the Polish heritage of our founders and celebrates the diversity of all who enter, thus striving to give glory to God through worship and service to the community.

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Second Sunday of Advent – December 10, 2017

LITURGY SCHEDULE / ROZKLAD MSZY SW.

Saturday, Sobota, December 9

4:30 p.m. † Stanley & † Helen Bruzda
int. Renette Armstrong

Sunday, Niedziela, December 10

9:00 a.m. † Edward Veneskey int. Marilyn Veneskey
11:00 a.m. † Teresa & † Adam Gacek int. Family

Monday, Poniedziałek, December 11

7:30 a.m. Health & Blessings for Carol Kusmierczyk
int. Family

Tuesday, Wtorek, December 12

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (G. Sliwka)

Wednesday, Środa, December 13

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (Armstrong)

Thursday, Czwartek, December 14

7:30 a.m. † All Souls (R. Sliwka)

Friday, Piątek, December 15

7:30 p.m. † All Souls (Dziedzina)

Saturday, Sobota, December 16

4:30 p.m. † Michelle Galie int. Ken & Maureen Krol

Sunday, Niedziela, December 17

9:00 a.m. Health & Blessings for Dorothy Friedl
int. Parish Guild

11:00 a.m. † Dorothy & Władysław Rapacz int. Family



ALL MASSES are in English except the 11:00 Sunday Mass which is in Polish. CONFESSIONS are heard in English every Saturday before the Vigil Mass, from 3:45 to 4:15 p.m. and in Polish every Sunday before the 11:00 a.m. Polish Mass.



★The St. Barbara Parish Guild will present its

4th Annual Christmas Concert

in our Church on

Sunday, December 17 at 6:00 p.m.

featuring **The Medina Symphony Orchestra** ★

Playing all the traditional carols that we love. Take some time to relax during the busy Christmas season and enjoy an evening of fine music. There will be a small reception in the Parish Hall to greet the musicians with pizza, pasta, desserts and beverages.



Admission is free & open to the public.



DECORATING DAY, Sunday, December 17

We invite everyone who would like to help decorate our church for Christmas to join us on **Sunday, December 17**, after the 11:00 a.m. Polish Mass.

Prayer List

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill and all who are in need of our prayers:

Renette Armstrong, Dennis Balis, Sarah Burket,
Loretta Budzinski, Joseph Carnivale, Phyllis Cielec,
Donna Cuevas, Tom Curtan, Jean Fabian,
Don & Dorothy Friedl, Elizabeth Gannon, Marcy Hill,
Bill Himes, Jr., Robert & Shannon Gibbons, Iola Natal,
Joan Kalemba, Maria Kusmierczyk, Carol Kusmierczyk,
Rosemary Maier, Dorothy Noga, Gertraud Sliwka,
Robert & Shirley Orahoske, Martha Plonski,
Fr. Lucjan Stokowski, Dora Wołowiec,
Włodzimierz Wrobel, Anna Zakarowsky, Timothy Zalenty

SECOND COLLECTION This Weekend, Dec. 9-10: The Retirement Fund for Religious

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. *Thank you for your contribution*

The **DEADLINE** for dropping off gifts for the **GIVING TREE** is this **Sunday, December 10**. Please remember to include the information tag along with each gift. Thank you!

OPLATEK (Christmas Wafers) will be available before or after Masses. Packets (4 wafers each) are on the table near the west (parking lot) entrance. The suggested donation is \$2.00.



FREE CALENDARS FOR 2018



Special thanks to **Kolodiy-Sobczyk Funeral Home** and **Tomon Funeral Homes** for their donation of calendars for the New Year. There is an **English** version and a **Polish** version and they have been placed on the table at the west entrance of the church.

The generosity of our Parishioners & Friends has brought St. Barbara Church the following:

Collection for November 25-26 – \$1,074 (52 envelopes)
Maintenance Fund - \$290 (14 envelopes)
Collection for December 3-4 – \$2,931 (73 envelopes)
Maintenance Fund - \$1,061 (23 envelopes)

Thank you! Dziękuję bardzo!

2017 Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24,

4:30 p.m., English

10:00 p.m., Bilingual, English/Polish

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25,

9:00 a.m., English, and 11:00 a.m., Polish

CONFESSION: Sacrament of Reconciliation

A reminder that confessions are heard in English every Saturday before the Vigil Mass, from 3:45 to 4:15 p.m. and in Polish every Sunday before the 11:00 Polish Mass.

There will be **additional opportunity for confession** in English on **Friday, December 22** from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

ANNUAL PARISH RAFFLE

In the next couple of weeks we will be asking our parishioners to buy or sell \$30.00 worth of raffle tickets. We will be distributing them after each Mass by the side door of the church. This year's raffle will have 10 winners instead of 5 as in previous years. The prize breakdown is: one \$500 prize, one \$400 prize, two \$250 prizes, three \$100 prizes, one \$75 prize and two \$50 prizes. The raffle drawing will be at our free **Souper Bowl event** that will be held on Saturday, **February 3, 2018**, after the 4:30 Vigil Mass. Please do your best to sell as many tickets as possible! We thank you once again for your participation.

--The St. Barbara's Parish Guild

WHITE CHRISTMAS AT PADUA

Padua Franciscan High School, 6740 State Road, Parma, will present **White Christmas the Musical** Thursday-Saturday, **December 14 -16** at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, **December 17** at 1:30 p.m. Featuring an all-star cast of Padua thespians and their first ever alumni chorus, enjoy an enchanting evening of song and dance, comedy, misunderstandings, romance and Christmas spirit as they stage one of the most beloved holiday favorites of all time. Pre-sale tickets \$6-\$9; \$7-\$10 at the door.

FREE CONCERT AT ST. STEPHEN CHURCH

Cantualis of Cleveland, a choir that performs 12th -21st century liturgical music, presents "Nine Lessons and Carols" at **St. Stephen Catholic Church**, 1930 W. 54th St., Cleveland on **Tuesday, December 19** at 7:30 pm. Secure parking off West 57 Street. For more information call 330-631-5633. A free will offering will be taken up.

METRO CATHOLIC SCHOOL- Empowering Dreams for over 25 years, located at 1910 West 54th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44102, Still accepting students for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information please call 216.281.4044 or visit www.metrocatholic.org