

## IV SUNDAY OF ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DAY



*Dear Parishioners,*

*Jesus Christ accepted our humanity and became one of us to reveal the way to heaven. Christmas is the time when we open our soul and our life sphere for Jesus Christ. We feel the need to be very close with our relatives and to manifest our sincere wishes. Please accept these words of joy from us at this very special time. We wish that your meeting with baby Jesus in your soul be very fruitful and be the source of many blessings. May this holy time of Christmas renew our lives. May God grant us health and success in the New Year 2014 and help us to overcome any adversities in our lives. We would like to extend our warm greetings to all and the entrusted care of the Holy Family from Nazareth.*

Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI and Fr. Tomasz Krzesik, OMI

### IV SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 22, 2013

8:00 a.m. For ++ Stefan Podolczak & grandparents on both sides - Kucel family  
 9:30 a.m. For ++ Rozalia & Karol Mankiewicz - daughter & family  
 11:00 a.m. For ++ parents Stanislaw & Rozalia Sienko & husband Ryszard Haderer - family  
 6:00 p.m. For + Edward Sarzynski - family

### MONDAY - DECEMBER 23, 2013

7:00 a.m. For ++ parents John & Mary Wojcik, aunts & uncles - daughter & family  
 8:00 a.m. For ++ husband Zenon, mother Anna & all family on both sides - Leona Czewowska

### TUESDAY - DECEMBER 24, 2013 - NATIVITY OF THE LORD

9:00 p.m. MIDNIGHT MASS (English) - For all living & deceased parishioners  
 12:00 a.m. MIDNIGHT MASS (Polish) - For all living & deceased parishioners

### WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 25, 2013 - CHRISTMAS

9:30 a.m. INTENTION FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS  
 11:00 a.m. Intention for all those in whose name Mary's Angels were purchased for  
**PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASS**

### THURSDAY - DECEMBER 26, 2013 - ST. STEPHEN

9:30 a.m. For + Jan Owczarzewski (9 anni) - wife  
 11:00 a.m. For + Jerzy Slugocki - Gacon family

### FRIDAY - DECEMBER 27, 2013

7:00 a.m. For + Stanislaw Andrzejczak (56 anni) - wife & children  
 7:00 p.m. For + Jan Stasiewicz - Stasiewicz family

### SATURDAY - DECEMBER 28, 2013

8:00 a.m. For + Andrzej Kozak - wife & children  
 5:00 p.m. For + Franciszek Nanowski - wife & family

### SUNDAY - DECEMBER 29, 2013 - THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

8:00 a.m. For ++ parents Anna & Jan Machynia - son & family  
 9:30 a.m. For + Pawlina Kostusik - family  
 11:00 a.m. In thanksgiving on the occasion of 41st Wedding Anniversary of Stanislaw & Jadwiga Bajno & petition for health & God's blessings  
 6:00 p.m. For ++ Marian Gawinski, Tony & Walter Chwaluk - Casar family

### MONDAY - DECEMBER 30, 2013

7:00 a.m. For private intention - Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI  
 8:00 a.m. ++ For + Victoria Malczewska

### TUESDAY - DECEMBER 31, 2013 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

7:00 a.m. For + Jan Stroski  
 5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Mass marking the ending of Year 2013 (Eng & Pol)

### CHRISTMAS WAFER (OPLATEK) AND 2014 CALENDARS

may be purchased in our Parish Kiosk.

**PARISH BULLETIN ADVERTISING 2014** - We are preparing our bulletin covers for the Year 2014. We still have a few spaces available on the back cover for those interested to place an ad which would run for the entire year in both our English and Polish bulletins. Those interested are asked to contact our parish office at 204 582-4157 for more

### WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 1, 2014 - NEW YEAR

#### THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9:30 a.m. For ++ John Kreml (21 anni), his parents & brother - wife & family  
 11:00 a.m. INTENTION FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS  
 6:00 p.m. INTENTION FOR ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS

### THURSDAY - JANUARY 2, 2014

7:00 a.m. Mass at Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa)  
 8:45 a.m. Mass at Polish Manor

### FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH - JANUARY 3, 2014

7:00 a.m. In thanksgiving for favors received - Lucyna  
 7:00 p.m. Intention for all living & deceased Knights of Columbus & their families - Knights of Columbus

### SATURDAY - JANUARY 4, 2014

8:00 a.m. Intention for Rosary Sodality  
 5:00 p.m. In thanksgiving & petition for health & God's blessings for Tadeusz Slowik on the occasion of his birthday - family



### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - DECEMBER 26, 2013

**Jakob Miguel Konieczny Figueiredo**

Our sincere congratulations to parents and godparents!

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** for parents and godparents will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room (Entrance through office doors on Pritchard Avenue).

**FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH** - January 3. There will be visitation of the sick and elderly on Thursday, January 2 and Friday, January 3 as per schedule. If there is someone in your family you would like a priest to visit, please contact our parish office and their names will be added on to the list. All are invited to participate in Devotions at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m. Confessions will be one hour before Mass begins.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** is every First Friday of the month in the Chapel from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

**ALTAR SERVERS** - We are inviting all those who would like to serve at the Altar to contact Fr. Tomasz Krzesik, OMI. New candidates are welcome.

### CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS:

- Wednesday Group - January 22 following the Evening Mass.
- Thursday Group - January 23 at 11:00 a.m.
- Sunday Group - January 26 following the Evening Mass

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed during the Christmas season from December 23 - January 1, 2014 inclusive. In the case of an emergency, please leave a message on our answering machine. Messages will be checked regularly.

**PARISH BULLETIN** has been printed for three weeks. Next bulletin will be available on Sunday, January 12.

++ **PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**  
 + **Stanley BANAK**  
 + **Pelagia Lodzia MICHALSKI (+ in Ottawa)**



**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR PARISH BANQUET (OPLATEK)**

**JANUARY 5, 2014 at 12:30 P.M. IN OUR PARISH HALL**



Tickets may be purchased in our Kiosk or parish office—\$10 for adults; \$5 for children (3-6 years); children under 3 years—free. There will be a delicious hot dinner prepared by our Catholic Women's League, our traditional Sharing of the Christmas Wafer and Christmas Carols sung by the St. Cecilia Choir.

**We ask to please get your tickets early as there is only a limited amount of seating available.**

**SUNDAY - JANUARY 5, 2014 – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

- 8:00 a.m. For ++ Andrzej & Elzbieta Litwin - Leskovjan family
- 9:30 a.m. For + Vera Diakoun - Zofia
- 11:00 a.m. For ++ Franciszka & Jozef Drewniak - children & grandchildren
- 6:00 p.m. For ++ parents Czeslaw & Katarzyna Medes - son Ryszard

**MONDAY - JANUARY 6, 2014**

- 7:00 a.m. Intention for all living & deceased parishioners
- 8:00 a.m. For ++ parents Edward & Stanislaw Kras, sister Wieslawa & brother-in-law Krzysztof Chlewa - Kras family

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2014**

- 7:00 a.m. For ++ parents Anna & Wojciech Szajner & family - Anastazja Leckay
- 8:00 a.m. For ++ Bragin & Wojtkowiak families - family

**WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 8, 2014**

- 7:00 a.m. For private intention - Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI
- 6:30 p.m. **NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**
- 7:00 p.m.
  1. For ++ sisters, brothers & brother-in-law - Zofia Jendras
  2. For ++ grandparents on both sides - Adela Szkwarek
  3. For health, God's blessings & care of Our Lady of Perpetual Help for Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI - Jadwiga
  4. For ++ parents Maria & Peter - sons & families
  5. In thanksgiving on the occasion of birthday & petition for health & God's blessings for sister - sister Maria
  6. For health & God's blessings for Kreml family

**THURSDAY - JANUARY 9, 2014**

- 7:00 a.m. Mass at Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa)
- 8:45 a.m. Mass at Polish Manor

**FRIDAY - JANUARY 10, 2014**

- 7:00 a.m. For + Stanislaw Szwarc - P.B. Burtnick & family
- 7:00 p.m. For ++ Dworak & Silka grandparents on both sides & uncles - granddaughter Renata & family

**SATURDAY - JANUARY 11, 2014**

- 8:00 a.m. For health & God's blessings for husband Ryszard & nephew Matthew - Elzbieta
- 5:00 p.m. For ++ parents Aleksander & Anna, brother Romuald, sister-in-law & sister Janina - G. Wrobel

**SUNDAY - JANUARY 12, 2014 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

- 8:00 a.m. For ++ Adela & Bronislaw Lozinski & parents on both sides - daughter Danuta
- 9:30 a.m. For ++ parents Stanislaw & Aniela Nawrot - son & family
- 11:00 a.m. In thanksgiving & petition for health & God's blessings for children - father

**PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASS**

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE** will be held in our parish on the following days:

- ◆ January 17 (Friday) - 7:00 p.m.—1st session
- ◆ January 18 (Saturday) - 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.—2nd session
- ◆ January 19 (Sunday) - 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.—last session



This course is mandatory as it is a pre-requisite in our archdiocese for all couples planning to be married this year in our Church. For information or to register, please call our parish office at 204 582-4157.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** - new schedule is ready to be picked up in the

**SINCERE APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING:**

- \* Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI and Fr. Tomasz Krzesik, OMI would like to thank all parishioners and guests for your Christmas wishes and remembering them in your prayers
- \* CWL for their preparations for the Bake and Perogy Sale
- \* All volunteers who came to help make perogies
- \* Bernadette Gabriel And Zofia Bodek for the beautiful Christmas decorations in our Church and also all those who helped: Andrzej and Zofia Szukiewicz, Joe Wierzbicki and Wes Karmelita.
- \* Sincere thank you to the Catholic Women's League for their donation of \$5,000.00 for the needs of the Church.

**YEAR 2014 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** may be picked

up in the Aikins Avenue foyer. These will only be mailed out in special cases, as the cost to mail these boxed sets is very costly. We ask to please not use these until the new year. The first envelope in the set is the "Initial Offering" which is to help cover the expense for printing these envelopes. We ask to please this envelope to help defray this cost for us. Those who do not have envelopes and would like a set are asked to contact our parish office. We ask all to please check the name and address to ensure you are picking up the right set.

There are some envelopes which have "Moved" on their address label. We ask all these parishioners to please call our parish office with your address change as we will soon be preparing our income tax receipts. Some have moved and have not as yet updated us with this information.

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** will be ready to be picked up on Saturday, February 8 and Sunday, February 9 in our parish hall.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** - We are asking all those who have had a change of address and have not notified our office to please do so as soon as possible. As we are preparing our year end, we would like to update our parish records in preparation for the 2013 Income tax Receipts. This may be done by placing a change of address card in our collection basket or by calling our parish office during regular hours.

**SINCERE WISHES** - *On behalf of the parishioners of Holy Ghost Parish, we would like to extend our sincere wishes to our Pastor, Fr. Maciej Pajak, OMI who will be celebrating his birthday on January 10, 2014.*

*We wish Fr. Maciej good health, happiness and an abundance of blessings under the guidance and protection of their Patroness, Mary Immaculate as he continues his good works in the Lord's vineyard. **STO LAT Fr. Maciej !!!***

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from January 13 - January 17 as our Pastoral Team will be away participating in their Annual Study Days. In the case of an emergency, please call our parish office as messages will be checked regularly.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:**

***God bless all for your offerings!***

<b>December 8 - Regular Sunday Collection:</b>	<b>\$6,972.00</b>
<b>December 15 - Regular Sunday Collection:</b>	<b>\$9,231.00</b>
<b>December 15 - Sharing God's Gifts:</b>	<b>\$2,120.00</b>
<b>January 5, 2014 - Maintenance Fund Collection.</b>	
<b>Did you give an offering equal to one hour of your earnings?</b>	