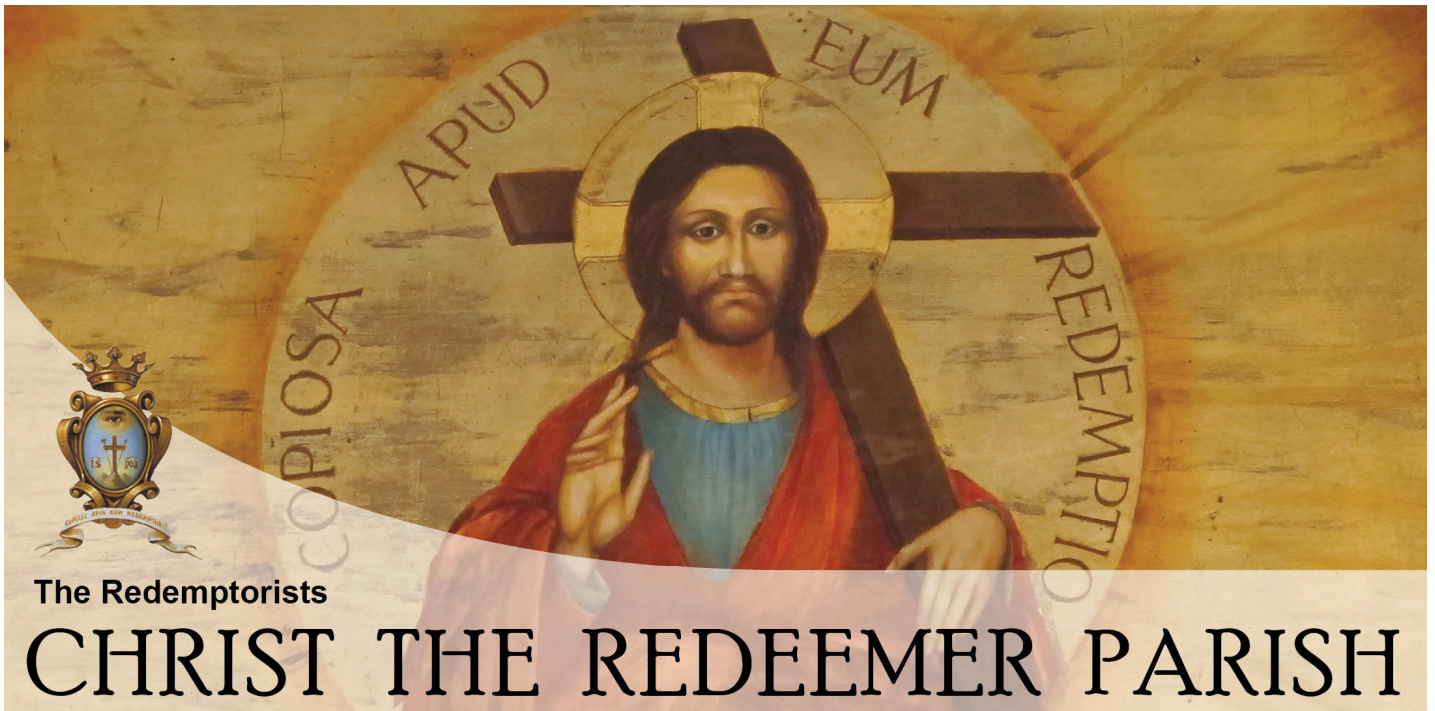


December 10, 2017

2nd Sunday of Advent



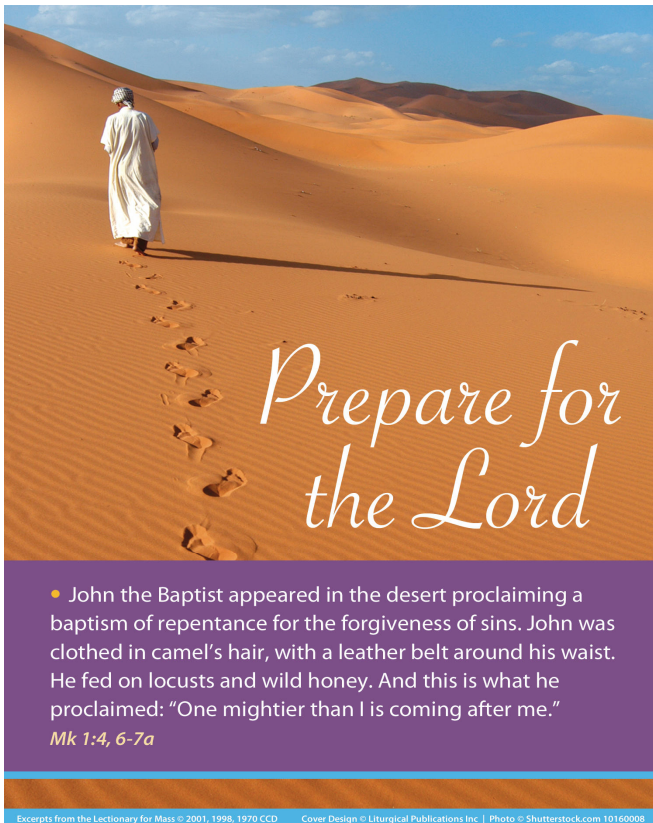
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• John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me."

Mk 1:4, 6-7a

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Christ the King Worship Site

Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 PM

Sacred Heart Worship Site

Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 AM - Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

Christ the King Worship Site

Monday - Friday 6:30 AM; Saturday 3:30 PM

Sacred Heart Worship Site

Wednesday & First Friday 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Saturdays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 4:45 - 5:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM.
Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



Monday, December 11 (Poniedziałek) - Damasus I

CTK - 7:00AM †John Day r/o Cecelia Smith
SH - 8:00AM †Ignacy Rogalski r/o zona, Krysia
SH - 11:00AM †Wladyslaw Turon r/o Jan & Elizabeth Poplawski

Tuesday, December 12 (Wtorek)

Our Lady of Guadalupe

CTK - 7:00AM †Eugene Natoli r/o Lukacs & Kim Families
SH - 8:00AM †Stanley & Valerie Rusowicz r/o son, Andrew
SH - 11:00AM Mass and OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, December 13 (Środa) - Lucy

CTK - 7:00AM †Jozef Grabowski r/o son
SH - 11:00AM †Robert Post r/o Geg & Lois Zwerko
SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary
SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

Thursday, December 14 (Czwartek) -

John of the Cross

CTK - 7:00AM God's Blessing for Bob & Nancy Zigler on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary r/o Dorothy Kraycik
SH - 8:00AM †Wladyslaw Turon r/o Kim & Louis Petzinger
SH - 11:00AM †Violet Raczkowski r/o Kathy Lazorchak

Friday, December 15 (Piątek)

CTK - 7:00AM †Irene Jelski r/o Louise & Joe Porter
SH - 11:00AM †Andrew G. Vinchur r/o family
SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions
SH - 7:00PM God's Blessing for Samantha r/o family

Saturday, December 16 (Sobota)

SH - 8:00AM †Zofia Malinowski r/o Maria & Marian Puzio
SH - 11:00AM †Irene Straszewski r/o family
CTK - 4:30PM †Peter Viola r/o wife, Frances & family
SH - 6:00PM †Sophie & George Kelman r/o daughter, Nialetta & family

3rd Sunday of Advent, December 17 (Niedziela)

SH - 6:30AM Godzinski
SH - 7:00AM †Helena & Stanislaw Puzio r/o family
SH - 8:30AM †Frank & Maria Stadler r/o son
CTK - 8:30AM †Janos & Anna Tardy r/o Tardy Family
SH - 10:00AM †Living & Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
CTK - 10:30AM †Salvatore Scotto Di Carlo r/o mother, sisters & brother
SH - 11:30AM Health of Robert Dmochowski r/o family
SH - 5:00PM Retreat Service in Polish

The Sanctuary Lamp in Sacred Heart will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Joseph Onka Jr.** at the request of his daughter, Celeste.

The Sanctuary Lamp in Christ the King will burn this week for the repose of the souls of **Alex & Elsie Peltack & family** at the request of their daughter.



John the Baptist announced, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." Does preparing a way for the Lord have priority in our lives? Often we spend more time preparing paths for ourselves rather than a path for God. Advent calls us to take the focus off ourselves and put it on God. We prepare a path for God by practicing and living the virtues, being holy and devoted, patient and repentant, and attentive and humble. We are asked to bring comfort and healing to people and to show others by the way we live our lives that we have a higher calling and purpose.

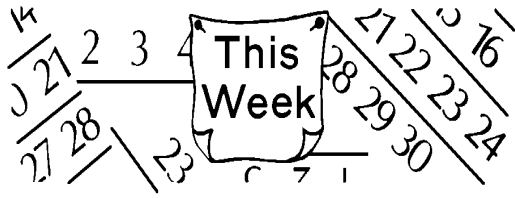
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him." John the Baptist commanded quite a crowd. What was the attraction? Was it his unusual appearance-clothed in camel's hair? Perhaps it was his bizarre eating habits-feeding on locusts and wild honey. Or maybe people were captivated by the Baptist's remarkable humility in the face of such huge popularity-"I am not worthy."

Unlike our modern fascination with standing in the presence of superstars, the crowds who flocked to John weren't looking for a thrill. They weren't lining up for autographs. They were lining up for baptism. And they were acknowledging their sins at the same time. John was proclaiming "a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins." And people came because they were longing to experience the freedom of that forgiveness.

John called them to conversion. To convert means to turn, in this case to turn away from sin. And the crowds were anxious to do so in order to "prepare the way of the Lord." For these first-century Jews, the imminent approach of the Messiah came with a call for conversion and they took this call very seriously.

Now, for us, as twenty-first century Christians, the Church, like John the Baptist, calls us to prepare and repent during this season of Advent. Will we take the call seriously? Will we examine the areas of our lives that need to change? Will we pray for God's help to overcome our habitual sin and to make choices based on generosity instead of selfishness? Now is the time to heed the message. Now is the time to "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."



MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

GUITAR LESSONS FOR CHILDREN - Sacred Heart auditorium - 3:30-6PM. A small fee will be due.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES - Christ the King School - 5:30 - 6:45PM.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE - 7:30PM in Sacred Heart Church.

NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 16 & 17

THE SECOND COLLECTION taken up after Holy Communion will be for **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** to decorate our church. Please be generous.

PREGNANCY AID CENTER DONATION WEEKEND - helps mothers and babies in need. Please place the items in the bins in the vestibule. They are especially in need of diapers, all sizes from newborn through size 5. They can also use new layette items, wipes, baby wash and other baby items.

PIEROGI & OPLATEK will be on sale in the vestibule of Sacred Heart church after all Masses.

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

60+ MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY - 2-4PM - St. John Neumann Center.

WE INVITE ALL PARISHIONERS TO ATTEND THE POLISH RETREAT, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO SPEAK OR UNDERSTAND POLISH.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

PONIEDZIALEK, 11 GRUDZIEŃ

LEKCJE GITARY - godz. 15.30; próba polskiej scholi dziecięcej - godz. 18.00.

WTOREK, 12 GRUDZIEŃ

KATECHEZA - Christ the King School - 5:30-6:45PM

NIEDZIELA, 17 GRUDZIEŃ

DRUGA SKŁADKA zbierana po Komunii Sw. będzie przeznaczona na kwiaty i świąteczną dekorację kościoła.

**ZBIÓRKA NA RZECZ CENTRUM POMOCY KOBIE-
TOM W CIĄŻY** - Okaż pomoc matkom małych

dzieci w potrzebie! Prosimy o składanie darów w pojemnikach w przedsionku kościoła. Potrzebne są pieluszki w rozmiarach od noworodków do numeru 5, nowe ubranka dla niemowląt, chusteczki pielęgnacyjne, kosmetyki dla dzieci i inne dziecięce przedmioty.

PIEROGI I OPLATKI będą sprzedawane w przedsionku kościoła po każdej mszy św.

Oplatek (Christmas wafers) is available at the parish office for \$2 per package during regular business hours.

Oplatki na Wigilię Bożego Narodzenia, do nabycia w Biurze Parafialnym, w cenie \$2 za paczkę, w godzinach urzędowania.

Holidays Coming Order Scrip Cards



It won't be long before the holidays are upon us. Purchasing gifts for individuals grows harder each year. The solution? A gift card which lets your friends and family purchase what they need. The best way to get an assortment of gift cards, without having to travel to the individual stores, is by purchasing them through the Parish as part of the Scrip Card Program. We have put a lot of local stores and services on our order form. The Scrip program offers a wide variety of cards. If you don't see the store or service that you want, contact the Parish Office to see if a specific card can be ordered.

One suggestion for this holiday season would be to purchase a \$25.00 Walmart card that can be given to the Caritas families that we are currently helping. It is a rewarding feeling to know that you are helping those who are less fortunate and a Walmart card offers a large variety of items that a family can use i.e., clothing, food, household items and toys. Order a card and then mark it for Caritas and drop it in the collection basket.

There are no additional costs to you if you order gift cards through the Scrip program, however, the Parish does receive a percentage of the value of the cards that have been sold.

The scrip order form will appear in one of the upcoming bulletins. Please make sure that you turn the form in by the date specified on the order form so that we can insure that you will get your cards in time for the Holidays.



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be held **December 17th** at 10:00AM.

The next **First Saturday Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima** will take place on **January 6th** after the 11:00AM Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

The next Prayer & Praise Group Meeting will be held on **December 18th** in Christ the King Church at 1:00PM.

60'S PLUS CLUB GOOD FOOD. GOOD CON- VERSATION. GOOD FRIENDS.

All Parishioners aged 60 and over are invited to a complimentary dinner.

Every Third Sunday of Every Month

Please call Kathy at 908-874-8323 if you will be attending.

Time 2pm-4pm

St. John Neumann Center The next gathering will be on **December 17th**.



Meets once a month on the 2nd Monday at 7pm. Call Mary Carol Niezgoda at 908 575-2797 for location and details.

New members always welcome. We will teach anyone interested how to crochet and/or knit. If you would like to be a member but prefer to work at home we would be happy to pick up your item(s); just contact Mary Carol. Donations of yarn are always appreciated especially "baby" yarn, i.e., yarn approved for baby items. If you prefer to donate cash we will purchase yarn for you. All item(s) we make are donated to various local charitable organizations, i.e., Pregnancy Aid Center...



The Caritas Team would like to say a special Thank You to all of the anonymous donations we

receive on occasional as well as weekly basis. Your generous contributions allow the food pantry to operate and feed several families in the Manville area. We could not be a success without you. Thank you for all you do it is appreciated by the team and our guests.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **January 8th** in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

The Holy Name Society of CTR Parish began its Annual Christmas Toy Drive on **Saturday, 11/25** and will continue collecting through **Monday, 12/11** inclusive. Do not wrap toys & *No Cash Please*. You may donate toy(s) for either gender, babies included. The cost of the item(s) is at your discretion. You may bring your toys to any Mass and leave by the Divine Mercy side at Christ the King Church or by the Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel in Sacred Heart Church. Call John Tardy at 908-526-1695 with any questions

Minister Schedule for December 16 & 17

	4:30PM CTK	6:00PM SH	7:00AM PL-SH	8:30AM CtK	8:30AM SH	10:00AM SH	10:30AM CtK	11:30AM PL-SH
Lectors	B. Fontaine	A. Scarpantonio		M. Bellamy	J. Snow	B. Stefany	J. Zunski	
Eucharistic Ministers	B. Chernesky S. Liszczak A. Wall	R. Jabonski N. Makowski J. Sharbaugh	A. Niecikowski B. Nowak	D. Finlan G. Pepe R. Sieberg	B. Dorward M. Tabbitt S. Kosensky	L. Jaime S. Klein M. Urbaniak	G. Borysewicz E. Zunski C. Borysewicz	H. Brandt M. Wojtach



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Jeff Andrew, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Baby Isabel Therese Bailey, John Bartley, Frank & Jean Batula, Billy Bird, Paul Bobe, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Bill Caswell, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, Marge Demski, Dorothy Dinsmore, Mary Evancho, Frank Fiduk, Kathryn Fisne, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Dorothy Gluch, John Gubernot, Dolores Hart, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Raul Jaime, Joanna Jasontek, Edward Knitowski, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, John Krasnansky, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Cheyenne Licardi, Joe Matisak, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Dolores Novicky, Donna Parlier, Steven Pirello, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Mary Rogalski, Marie Rogusky, Robert Roman, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Irene Shelcusk, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, Victoria Soika, Tina Soltis, Albert Stanski, Rose Tabbitt, Virginia Tamburini, Joe Tomko, Michelle Tranter, David Urban, Pauline Vantaggi, Irena Walczak, Natalie Walkowiak, Cindy Weigel, Peggy White, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Michael Zamorsky, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina Zydalis.

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

*Sergeant Matthew T. Bowden USMC
Corporal Jacob R. Caswell USMC
Pvt. Christopher Foley
PFC Joshua Hussey
Major James A. Jablonski Jr.
Gunnery Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC
Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.
PFC Steven Ubry
CMA Mark J. Walyga
Senior Airman Lindsay Zaccardi
PFC Brian J. Zarnowski*

Please let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

Readings for the Week of December 10, 2017

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Please visit our parish website:

www.ctrmanville.com

up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Peter Rybski will be presenting the reflections and next week Andrzej Porter will be the presenter.

Have parish news delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.

Wedding  Banns

I. Andrja Sekulis & Angelika Lazur

HOLY FAMILY FEAST DAY

On Sunday, December 31, 2017 we will be celebrating all milestone wedding anniversaries, i.e., 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc... with a special blessing at the 10:00AM Mass. Please call the parish office and let us know if you would like to participate.

UROCZYSTOŚĆ ŚWIĘTEJ RODZINY

W Piątek, 31 grudnia na Mszy św. o godz. 10.00AM (w języku angielskim) oraz o godz. 11:30AM (w języku polskim) będziemy celebrować jubileusze małżeństwa. Zainteresowanych udziałem w tych uroczystościach prosimy o zgłoszenie się do biura.

**Report of Sunday Offerings
in Support of our Parish
The Christ the Redeemer collection for the
weekend of December 3, 2017**

Offertory	\$ 10,878.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 1,969.00
We Share On-line Giving	\$ 755.00
Children's donations	\$ 67.00
Total	\$ 13,669.00

Retirement Fund for Diocesan Priests \$ 2,486.00

Budget vs. Collection:
Surplus/(Deficit) \$ (2,331.00)

Collection for the same week last year \$ 12,938.00

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you.
Fr. Stan

OUR CHILDREN'S GIFTS TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

My Good Deed was when I:

helped my mom decorate the Christmas tree.	Natalia
watched my baby sister.	Julian
gave my baby sister a present.	Alex
read to my baby sister.	Adam
helped dad with recycling.	Jacob
helped put up the Christmas tree.	Ethan
played with someone that had no one to play with.	Emely
helped my brother go to sleep when he was scared.	Maggie
cleaned up for mom and dad.	Evan
made "welcome home" sign for new baby cousin.	Olivia
helped make pierogi.	Alicia
helped decorate the Christmas tree.	Paul
prayed the rosary.	Jayden
helped my dad with his work.	Brody
helped my friend pick up all the pencils she dropped at school.	Gianna
helped decorate the Christmas tree.	David
offered to bring up the Holy bread.	Maria
cleaned up my room.	Anthony & Phoebe
shared with my sisters.	Adam
helped mom with Christmas decoration bags.	Benjamin
helped my sister find one of our toys.	Gabriel
washed the car.	Brunon
helped my mom collect toys we donated to church.	Amelia
helped my friend read.	Isabel
helped my pop-pop with Caritas (distributing food to poor)	
& helped my mom with my new baby sister.	Hailey

*Don't forget to put your first & last name
and grade on your envelope.*

PARISH CALENDARS

Within the next week or so, parishioners will be delivering our new Parish Calendars to all the parishioners in Manville. For our out of town parishioners, the calendars will be available in the vestibule beginning the 4th Sunday of Advent.

W ciągu następnego tygodnia, wyznaczone osoby będą dostarczać nowy parafialny kalendarz na Rok 2017 dla wszystkich naszych parafian w Manville. Dla parafian spoza Manville kalendarz będzie dostępny od IV Niedzieli Adwentu w przedsionku kościoła

**CEMETERY NEWS
WIADOMOŚCI DOTYCZĄCE CMENTARZA PARAFIALNEGO**

WITH THE CHRISTMAS SEASON JUST AHEAD OF US, IT'S TIME TO REMIND EVERYONE OF THE POLICIES PERTAINING TO GRAVE DECORATIONS. WREATHS ARE THE PREFERRED DECORATION; THEY SHOULD BE TIED TO THE MONUMENT. IF YOU WISH TO USE A GRAVE SPRAY, BE SURE THAT IT IS PLACED AGAINST THE MONUMENT AND TIED TO IT. **DO NOT USE GRAVE BLANKETS** THAT SPAN THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE GRAVE. **ABOVE ALL, DO NOT USE METAL STAKES TO FASTEN THE DECORATIONS TO THE GROUND.**

VIGIL LIGHTS SHOULD BE REMOVED FOR THE WINTER MONTHS. BREAKAGE CAN RESULT FROM THE FREEZE-THAW ACTION. THE CEMETERY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR VIGIL LIGHTS FOR ANY REASON.

Z RACJI ZBLIŻAJĄCYCH SIĘ ŚWIĄT BOŻEGO NARODZENIA PRAGNIEMY PRZYPOMNIEĆ WSZYSTKIM PARAFIANOM O WYMAGANIACH ODNOSZĄCYCH SIĘ DO DEKORACJI NAGROBKÓW. ZALECANĄ FORMĄ DEKORACJI GROBÓW SĄ WIEŃCE, KTÓRE POWINNY BYĆ PRZYMOCOWANE DO NAGROBKA. PROSIMY O NIEPRZYKRYWANIE GROBÓW RÓŻNYMI DEKORACJAMI ŚWIĄTECZNYMI.

PROSIMY O ZABRANIE WSZYSTKICH LAMPEK WIECZNYCH, KTÓRE MOGĄ ULEC ZNISZCZENIU W CZASIE ZIMY. CMENTARZ NIE JEST ODPOWIEDZIALNY ZA USZKODZONE ŚWIECE WOTYWNE.

**Sunday, December 31, 2017
NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA
Polish Falcons Polanka**

8:00 pm to 2 am - TICKETS: \$110
Dance music by: DJ Thomas
Included Open Bar - Buffet Dinner - Hats -
Noisemakers - Champagne at Midnight
Reservations: Adam 973-220-5104
or email tickets@nest946.com
Proceeds for benefit of Polanka renovations

**Niedziela, 31 grudnia 2017
BAL SYLWESTROWY
Polanka Sokolow**

od godz. 8 pm do 2 am - Bilety: \$110
do tanca gra DJ Tomasz
Napoje alkoholowe cała noc (open bar), gorąca kolacja, przekaski,
deser, kawa, szampan o polnocy
Rezerwacje: Adam 973-220-5104
lub email tickets@nest946.com
Dochód przeznaczony na renowacje Polanki Sokolow