

SACRED HEART PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH

380 E. Fairmount Avenue
Lakewood, NY 14750

OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS CHURCH

36 E. Main Street
Panama, NY 14767

December 16, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent



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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday ~ 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday ~ 9:30 am - noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:15-3:45 pm (L)
or upon request

Weekend Holy Masses

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 pm (L)

Sunday - 8:30 am (P) & 10:00 am (L)

First Friday Devotions

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Holy

Eucharist - 4:30 pm (L)

Holy Mass - 5:30 pm (L)

First Saturday Holy Mass

9:00 am (L)

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 15
Sunday Vigil Holy Mass

4:00pm (L) All Parishioners Living and Deceased by Rev. Piotr Zaczynski

Sunday, December 16
Third Sunday of Advent

8:30am (P) +Mary Fitzgerald by the Twichell Family
10:00am (L) +Damien Rieg by Louis and Christine Rieg

Monday, December 17
No church service

Tuesday, December 18

5:30pm (L) All Souls by Rev. Piotr Zaczynski

Wednesday, December 19

9:00am (L) Betty Lipari (birthday) by Sally Twichell

Thursday, December 20

9:00am (L) +Rev. Msgr. Francis Skupien by the Parish

Friday, December 21
St. Peter Canisius

9:00am (L) +Patricia Wieloszynski by Karen and Chris Marmorato

Saturday, December 22
Sunday Vigil Holy Mass

4:00pm (L) +Eleanor Mira by Dennis and Beth Green

Sunday, December 23
Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30am (P) All Parishioners Living and Deceased by Rev. Piotr Zaczynski
10:00am (L) Deceased members of the Gawlik and Wendel Families by Barb Wendel

L - Lakewood ~ P - Panama

WEEKLY OFFERING - DECEMBER 9, 2018

Regular Collection - Envelopes	\$2,149.00
Regular Collection - Loose	\$344.35
Total Collection	\$2,493.35
Religious Retirement Fund	\$1,077.00
Immaculate Conception	\$577.00

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK
OF OUR PARISH FAMILY**

Msgr. Joseph Dowdell, Grant Damon,
Pat Moniot, and Margaret Young

READINGS FOR DECEMBER 23

Micah 5:1-4A
Psalm 80
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 31:39-45

CHRISTMAS STAR TREE

Thank you to those of you who have picked up stars from our Star Tree. Please wrap and return all gifts to the Parish Center before this coming **Wednesday, December 19**.

COLLECTION WORKERS

This week: Susan Ibabao, JoAnne Maitland, Liz Sprinkle
Next week: Susan Ibabao, JoAnne Maitland, Diane Paterniti

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Piotr Zaczynski, Pastor
Deacon Daniel Tyler
Dineen Muniz, Secretary/Faith Formation Director
Doris Pappalardo, Business Manager
Maria Perron, SH Director of Music
Marie Rensel, OLS Director of Music
Lyle Hajdu and Don Pangborn, Trustees

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

DECEMBER 22-23	4:00 PM (L)	8:30 AM (P)	10:00 AM (L)
Lectors	Carol Bankowski	Liz Sprinkle	Barb Wendel
Eucharistic Ministers	Deacon Dan Tyler Carol Bankowski Donna DiMaio Rita Freeborough	John Miller Marti Miller	Deacon Dan Tyler Craig Felton Rey Muniz Tim Sullivan
Altar Servers	Carter Volk	Aaron Graham Will Hoden	Kenny Marsh Bohdan Wendel Grace Wood

THE ADVENT WREATH

This weekend, the third in the Advent season, we light the pink candle. This candle honors the shepherds who were the first to share the news of the Savior's birth. "When the shepherds saw this, they made known what had been told them about this Child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. *Luke 2:13-14*

AREA ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Wednesday, December 19, at 7:00pm
Sacred Heart Church in Lakewood

HOW DO I MAKE A GOOD CONFESSION?

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation (Confession) can sometimes feel like an obligation instead of an encounter with God's mercy, but it doesn't have to be that way. Try these tips for a more joyful Reconciliation.

Examine your conscience. Compare your actions to the principles of the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20) and the Beatitudes (Matthew 5). Bring to the confessional the significant ways you have failed to live up to them.

Confess the small ones, too. Participating in the Sacrament frequently means that you may only have venial (minor) sins to confess. Confess them anyway. Piling up venial sins can lessen our resistance and pave the way for mortal sin. Confessing keeps our consciences sharp.

Express contrition and resolve to avoid sin. Ask for the grace to continue growing in holiness and avoiding evil.

The point of the Sacrament is to reconcile us with the God who loves us more than we can imagine, and who is always eager to forgive us. Confession helps us come back and begin again.

During Advent, take advantage of the various opportunities to go to Confession – attend the Penance Service at Sacred Heart in Lakewood this Wednesday evening, come to Confession in Lakewood any Saturday afternoon between 3:15 and 3:45 or check out the times that other area Catholic churches offer Confession on Saturdays. It's worth making the time to receive God's healing grace.

MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE

Join the Buffalo Diocese and hundreds of thousands of others for the March for Life Pilgrimage which will take place in Washington, DC on January 17-18, 2019. Buses will depart from Buffalo on Thursday morning, January 17, and will arrive at the Washington Plaza Hotel that afternoon, with a return to Buffalo after the rally and march on the 18th. You are responsible for making your own hotel reservation by December 17 and signing up for the bus by December 28. For details, times, prices, and contact information, please go to www.buffalodiocese.org/marchforlife.

Remember to support our youth activities by taking your redeemable bottles and cans to Don's Car Wash.

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 16 – After 8:30am Mass – **OLS Altar & Rosary Cookie Sale (P)**

11:15am – **Faith Formation (L)**

Tuesday, December 18 – 7:00pm – **Choir (L)**

Wednesday, Dec. 19 – **Christmas Star Gifts due (PC)**

7:00pm – **Area Advent Penance Service (L)**

Thursday, December 20 – Information for January parish calendar due.

Sunday, December 23 – after 10:00am Mass – **Decorate church for Christmas (L)**

No Faith Formation

(L) – Lakewood ~ (P) – Panama ~ (PC) – Parish Center

We will be decorating the church in Lakewood after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, December 23. Please join us as we prepare our church for Christmas. The Altar and Rosary Society will provide coffee and donuts for our helpers.

SPECIAL MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS

Monday, December 24

4:00pm – Lakewood

8:30pm – Panama

Midnight – Lakewood

Tuesday, December 25

10:00am – Lakewood

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD *(Holy Day of Obligation)*

Monday, December 31

5:30pm – Lakewood

Tuesday, January 1

10:00am – Panama

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic ministers and altar servers are still needed to serve at our Christmas Eve and Christmas Masses in Lakewood. Please contact Beth Green at bethg53@gmail.com right away if you can serve.

RELIGIOUS GIVE THANKS

"This money is pure gift," writes a religious sister of the support made possible by the Retirement Fund for Religious. "It enables us to continue providing care for our elderly sisters." Your gift to last week's collection helps hundreds of religious communities meet pressing retirement needs while continuing to serve the people of God. Thank you for your generosity!

IN LOVING MEMORY

Michael Abbate and Frank Geaben

Leroy and Ethel Anderson

The Barnes and Rieg Families

Rev. Frank Barone

The Brunecz, Horvath and Tichy Families

Ann K. Buckreis

Dominic, Rita, and Don Roger Carvella

Charles E.J. Cassidy

The Crane, Rieger, and Sculley Families

Albert and Viola DeMeyere

The Dryja and Weber Families

The Galati and Williams Families

Richard and Patricia Giordon

Thomas Giordon

Geneva and Roger Green

The Hutchinson and Truax Families

The Irons and Pfurtscheller Families

Andrew B. and Eleanor H. Johnson

Carolyn Karolcia Karolewska

Marie F. MacNamara

Laura A. Miller

O'Hagan and Dominick Families

Tom Prechtl

Nicholas Rodriguez, Sr.

Edward Roemer

Adolf Kessler

Harold Kessler

The Slipetz and Wendel Families

The Swanson, Regan, and Stranz Families

Joseph Tucholski

David & Loreene Twichell and David J. Twichell

Jennifer Uhl

Willis, Mary, and Nancy Wells

Rev. Msgr. Rupert Wright

The Zaczynski and Grabowski Families

The Zahler and Cuffney Families

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

May the prayers of Mary, the Mother of God, who stood by the cross as Her Son was dying, help those who mourn for our brothers and sisters and accompany all of us in our time of need. Amen.