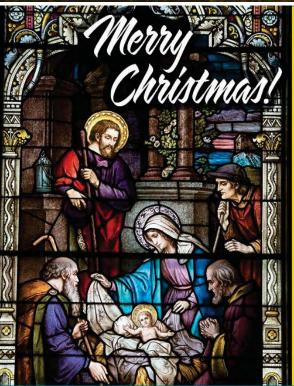
# **SETON SENTINEL**

December |24| 2023

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word. Luke 1:38







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# Eucharist

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday & Friday 8:00am No Mass on Wednesday Saturday 4:00pm (vigil) Sundays 8:30am, 11:00am & 5:30pm Connect with us:

Confessions:

Saturday 3:30-3:45pm or you may call Fr. Chmil for an appointment





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#### Monday, December 25 Christmas Day

8:30am Intention of Presider 11:00am Intention of Presider

Tuesday, December 26

8:00am **No Daily Mass** 

Wednesday, December 27

8:00am **No Daily Mass** 

#### Thursday, December 28

8:00am Living Members of Priests' Purgatorial Society

#### Friday, December 29

8:00am Anne Gagliardi

#### Saturday, December 30

4:00pm John Meckalavage

#### Sunday, December 31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

8:30am Marie, John, & Bob Maxwell

11:00am Fred Proleika Sr.

### Sunday, December 31, Vigil, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

4:00pm Intention of Presider

### Monday, January 1st, Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

10:00am

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Exposition and Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is held each Thursday from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Evening Prayer and Benediction conclude the night. All are welcome to come, even just for a quick visit on Thursday evenings here in church.



SANCTUARY CANDLE INTENTIONS ~~In Memory of Frank & Anna Duzen offered by daughters, Paula & Donna ~~In Memory of Stephen Holena offered by Wife, Brothers, & Sisters

## PRAY FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED ~~Mary Beth Hanadel~~Elaine Mikolosko~~

May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

# UPCOMING WEDDING



Saturday, December 30, 2023, 1:00pm  $^{\sim}$ Gary Buczynski & Amanda Zavada $^{\sim\sim}$ 

# Special Intentions



Requested by

**Denise Cremard** 

Virginia & Bill Schlosser

Hank & Tina Shemanski

Deacon Jack & Karen

Wife, Jean

# Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Chmil x105 *Pastor* 

Rev. Anthony Urban Assisting Celebrant

Deacon John Bankus Deacon John (Jack) Ziegler *Permanent Deacons* 

Lori Raymond x100 *Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education* 

Sister Mary Beth Makuch, SS.C.M. *Pastoral Outreach Ministry* 

Music Ministry Marge Semanek Director of Liturgical Music

Joseph Sabol Accompanist

Scott Coates Accompanist

Pat Quinn *Office Assistant* 

Sacristans and Maintenance Chris Calore Director of Maintenance

John Sartin Trudy Brown Pat Quinn Betsy Evanoski Phil Bosha

# Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 8:30am to 3:00pm

CLOSED FRIDAY Weekends and Evenings by appointment.

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# DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATES

If you haven't already donated, the Diocesan Annual Appeal envelopes are on the tables at the church entrance. If you already received a letter in the mail, please respond. Gifts of any size are welcome and participation is important. God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

DAA goal: \$44,000.00 Total raised<u>: - \$38,742.52</u> over/under: - \$ 5,257.48 We have reached 88.05% of our goal. Number of donors: 247 21.9% of our parishioners gave

# OPLATKI

Oplatki (Christmas Wafers) is available in the church vestibule on the weekends of Advent or by calling the rectory. The wafers are located on the table in the vestibule. Donation is \$5.00 for each pack of 4 wafers. It will be done on the honor system, so please bring the correct amount for the basket next to the Oplatki.

# **ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS**

The rosary will be prayed for vocations after daily mass.

# HOLY FAMILY FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED:

~~Soups w/meat (Chunky soups)``Canned pasta (ravioli)~~Canned fruit~~Jelly

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent



At our local high school, a number of teachers reminded their students that class ended when the bell rang, not a few minutes beforehand. Students anticipated the end of class and began packing up their things, just when the teacher was making the most important point. Patience, even in the classroom, is a virtue.

The readings remind us that God fulfilled His promise to David when Gabriel announced to Mary that she had been chosen to be the mother of Jesus. Her response to the heavenly messenger was so simple, yet reflects a great faith and hope: "Let it be done to me as you say." It's a line that will be repeated thousands of times in Christmas plays, and in Advent hearts that want to do God's will.

Christmas is so close, but there is still time. Don't jump the gun and lose these last few days. Keep on preparing, searching for the special gift of grace that only comes this time of year. Find the way that you can also respond to the invitation given to you at Baptism, to be a person of faith, a child of God, and a witness to the power of the Gospel. Let it all be done to you as God said!

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

| Christmas Flowers Offerings     | Mr. & Mrs. John Dolan         | Mr. & Mrs. James Jesikiewicz    |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Adamchak        | Mrs. Martha Dougalas          | Mrs. Violet Jones               |
| Mrs. Michael Aed                | Mrs. Carolann Drevenak        | Ms. Debra Joyce                 |
| Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Alesson         | Mrs. Rosemary Dunsmuir        | Mr. Kevin Kazokas               |
| Mr. & Mrs. Robert Allen         | Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Dvornicku  | ן Mr. & Mrs. James Keating      |
| Mrs. Carmelinda Baldrica        | Mrs. Dora Emershaw            | Mrs. Mary Keating               |
| Mrs. Louise Banik               | Mrs. Margaret Enosh           | Mrs. Patricia Klemunes          |
| Mr. & Mrs. John Bankus          | Mrs. Elizabeth Evanoski       | Mr. & Mrs. Ray Knaub            |
| Mr. John G. Bankus              | Mr. Michael Evanoski          | Mr. & Mrs. Walter Kolesa        |
| Mr. & Mrs. George Barilla       | Mrs. Jane Evelock             | Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kopec, Jr.   |
| Mr. & Mrs. Carl Baron           | Karyn Evelock                 | Mrs. Diane Kormos               |
| Miss Donna Marie Baron          | Ms. Ann Elita Forgash         | Mr. & Mrs. Mark Kosco           |
| Mr. & Mrs. Barry Baseski        | Mr. & Mrs. Frank Fosko        | Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kosco         |
| Mrs. Margaret Bassolino         | Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Fraley       | Mrs. Deloris Kovaleski          |
| Mr. & Mrs. Steven Bayley        | Mrs. Dorothea French          | Mr. Joseph Kovaleski            |
| Mr. & Mrs. David Becker         | Mr. Douglas French            | Mrs. Frances Krajnak            |
| Mrs. Mildred Belles             | Miss Melissa French           | Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Krakosky     |
| Ms. Alexa Beretski              | Mr. & Mrs. Gary Fronzoni      | Miss Joan Kraynak               |
| Ms. Rita Bevan                  | Mr. & Mrs. Richard Frusciante | Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Kriso        |
| Diane Blaski                    | Mrs. Erin Gallagher           | Mrs. Marilyn Kruchinsky         |
| Mrs. Gaylynn Blaski             | Mrs. Irene Galletti           | Mrs. Carol Krull                |
| Mrs. Barbara Bobeck             | Mr. & Mrs. Donald Gavlick     | Mrs. Andrea Krupinski           |
| Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bojarcik, Jr. | Mr. Michael Gavlick           | Mr. Charles Kruzlik             |
| Mr. & Mrs. Philip Bosha         | Mr. & Mrs. Richard Gavlick    | Mrs. Geraldine Kubacki          |
| Mrs. Juliann Boxowski           | Mrs. Shirley Gavlick          | Mr. Edward Kudey                |
| Mrs. Joan Brandenburg           | Mrs. Carmella Gibbons         | Mrs. Mercedes Kudey             |
| Mrs. Anita Bray                 | Mr. & Mrs. John Goeckel       | Mrs. Jean Kuehn                 |
| Dolores Brominski               | Mr. & Mrs. David Grega        | Miss Ronnie Kuhar               |
| Mrs. Carol Budnovitch           | Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Griglock   | Mr. Joseph Laskowski            |
| Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Burgess       | Mrs. Toni Griseto             | Miss Betsy Lepore               |
| Mr. & Mrs. Richard Burrier      | Mr. & Mrs. Mark Grochocki     | Mrs. Mary Lewis                 |
| Mr. & Mrs. John Butchko         | Mr. Walter Grycko             | Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Lipinski      |
| Mrs. Martha Calabrese           | Mr. Raymond Gula              | Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Lipinski, Jr. |

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

## **DECEMBER CLASSES:**

Saturdays: (No classes December 23, 30 Christmas Holiday) Mondays: December 18 (No classes Dec. 25 or January 1st Christmas Holiday)

Classes will resume on Saturday, January 6th and Monday, January 8th



# 2023 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 4th Sunday of Advent Masses: Sat. Dec. 23rd: 4pm Sunday, Dec. 24th: 8:30am & 11am Christmas Eve: Sunday, Dec. 24th, 4:00pm (both church

Christmas Day: Monday, Dec. 25th, 8:30am and 11:00am
Feast of the Holy Family: Sat. Dec. 30th: 4pm Sunday, Dec. 31st: 8:30am & 11:00am
New Year's Eve, Vigil Sunday, Dec 31st: 4:00pm
New Year's Day, Mary Mother of God, Monday, January 1, 2024: 10:00am

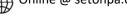
# **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

Our parish office will be closed on Monday, December 25th, and Friday, December 29th & Monday, January 1st, in observance of the Christmas & New Year's Holidays. Emergency calls for Fr. John will be attended to as soon as possible.

Offerings Weekend of December 9/10, 2023 REGULAR: \$7706.00 DUES: \$1075.00 Assessment: \$452.00 Immaculate Conception: \$1773.00 e-offering-Regular: \$543.04 Dues: 181.84

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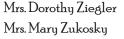
#### CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS (CONT'D)

Mr. John Michaels Judy Michaels Mr. & Mrs. David Miller Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Miller Mr. Lawrence Milunic Mr. & Mrs. Edward Mitchell Mrs. Gloria Mizenko Rose Marie Mizenko Rose Marie Mizerak Stacey Molino Mr. & Mrs. Paul Monko Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Mozloom Mr. Donn Mullery Mrs. Judith Murray Mr. & Mrs. Mark Nenichka

Mr. Joseph Olejnik, Jr. Mrs. Luculle Ontko Mrs. Catherine Onzik Mrs. Margaret Palmer Mr. & Mrs. Robert Panowicz Mrs. Anita Panuski Rosalie Brady Parsons Mrs. Mary Pechal Mr. & Mrs. Michael Perhach Mr. & Mrs. Carmen Perone Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pisack Mrs. Barbara Pitcavage Mr. & Mrs. David Pizano Mrs. Bernadine Podskoch Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pollick Mrs. Dottie Powers Mr. & Mrs. Paul Pritchard Suzanne Proleika Mrs. Irene Proudlove Miss Laura Prushinski Mr. & Mrs. Robert Prushinski Mrs. Ruth Prushinski Mrs. Janice Quinn

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**Behold**, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus.

He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.



\* Luke 1:31-33 \*

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