# **ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH**

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# December 13, 2020 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

# Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

The third Sunday of Advent is also known as *Gaudete* Sunday. Gaudete in Latin means: rejoice! The third Sunday of Advent, in the word of God and prayers, calls us to Christian joy; joy which is a characteristic feature of Christian expectation for the coming of the Lord. Today, we rejoice in the thought that Jesus, the winner of sin and death, who loves us and is close to us, will give us the opportunity to participate in his victory.

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Helena SWACIAK Krystyna MULARCZYK Wiktoria LOTYCZ Eternal rest grant them, Lord

# THE MASSES & DEVOTIONS THROUGH THE PARISH TV

**The Masses at the St. Casimir's Parish** are celebrated daily at 8 am and 7 pm; on Sundays 9:30 am in English & 11 am, 1 pm and 7 pm in Polish through the Parish TV <u>www.kazimierz.org</u> and YouTube. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy starts at 3pm and Rosary at 4pm & 5pm daily.

# **DESPITE YOUR ABSENCE...**

Despite churches closed for public Masses, we are with you and we feel your presence in the church. During this time of great trial of our faith, we invite you every day to our church for the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for the end of the pandemic, which takes place from 3pm to 6pm. However, you have to sign up for a free time segment, and we must remember that only 10 people can be in the church. If we see that there are 10 people, we have to wait or come later.

We invite you to participate in Masses and devotions from our church Online, www.kazimierz.org - Parish TV. Holy Masses are celebrated every day, on Sundays, according to the regular schedule in our parish. Stay with us.

The pandemic is also having a great negative impact on the financial health of our parish. Sunday offerings in March-November fell by 40% compared to 2019. In June, only half of the faithful returned to the church and the burden of supporting the parish was mostly on their shoulders, with only 10% of those who stayed at home and participated in Masses through parish

TV; they felt responsible for their parish and sent Sunday offerings, or they brought them to the mailbox. <u>Therefore, we ask everyone to remember and support their parish in these difficult times.</u> Offerings can be brought to the parish office, thrown into a letterbox, or mailed. It is also possible to make a donation by credit card on our website by using the link: Online Donation and then selecting our parish.

#### DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

**Today at our parish, we will continue our devotion of Fatima. The service will begin at 6 p.m. with the Rosary. Program:** Rosary of Fatima & Holy Mass. We invite you to pray.

# ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARSHAL LAW

Today we remember another anniversary of the introduction of martial law in 1981. This is our most recent history, which we cannot forget. Let us pray for all the victims of martial law.

# POPE'S FRANCIS BIRTHDAY

Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, Pope Francis will celebrate his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday. Let us entrust the Pope and his ministry of the Church to the providence of God and, and let us ask the Holy Spirit to accompany the Holy Father.

#### ADVENT RETREAT

Despite the closed churches for the celebration of Holy Masses, we will experience Advent retreat in our parish, led by Fr Adam Filas OMI. The retreat will begin on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent. May these Advent Retreat that we will experience, thanks to reflection on the Word of God and the sacrament of reconciliation, prepare us to live Christmas more deeply.

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILATION

Pre-holiday cleaning, buying gifts for loved ones, the hustle and bustle of promotions - all this can become a distraction that will obscure the meaning of Christmas. Meanwhile, the Christmas "explosion" of kindness is primarily a sign of faith that God is the source of good, that only God-given believers can give gifts to others. And the greatest gift, the "greatest promotion", happens in the confessional where a priest says the words "and I forgive you", the new birth of God's children takes place, without which the Nativity of Jesus can remain only a Christmas decoration. <u>The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available in our parish every</u> <u>Sunday from 3pm to 5pm in the parish hall. Remember that there can only be 10 people in the hall with the priests.</u>

#### THANKS AND GRATITUDE...

We sincerely thank the members of the Parish Committee for setting up the nativity scene next to the church. God bless you: Tadeusz Cichon, Mieczyslaw Holowko, Edward Milewski, Adam Waligora, Jan Matyka, Jozef Stepien and Jan Armatys.

# CATHOLIC FAMILY CLINIC

A Catholic Family Clinic is being established at our parish. The clinic will provide free help with marital, family and upbringing problems. The meetings are individual and will be held twice a month, on Thursdays. The meetings will be led by dr. Waldemar Paliga. To arrange an individual meeting, please call the parish office. Let us remember that although, from the human point of

view, some things seem impossible to fix or change, but nothing is impossible for God !!!

#### SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2021

**Donation Envelopes for 2021** may be picked up in the parish office. The parishioners, who until now have numbers above number **544** has received the new numbers. We ask kindly to write down on the envelope your offering in the \$ place and not to use the envelopes from the previous years. Parishioners using envelopes for their donations are eligible to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. The tax receipt will be sent in February 2021.

# MASS INTENSIONS FOR 2021

Mass intentions for 2021 may be requested in the parish office. We remind all parishioners that each family may request up to four Mass intentions per year, of which only one can be celebrated on a Sunday. <u>Intensions can be requested in person</u> <u>only at the parish office.</u>

We inform you about possibility of ordering Mass intentions at the Oblate Missions in the parish office.

We thank you for ordering the Gregorian Masses. Anyone who wants to order Gregorian Mass is asked to contact the parish office.

#### CHRISTMAS OPLATEK & SUNDAY MISSAL 2021

**Christmas Oplatek and New Saint Joseph Sunday Missal, Prayer book and Hymnal for 2021** are available at the parish office during the office hours Tuesday to Friday 9am-12pm and 1pm to 5pm; Saturdays 9am to 12pm. Price \$5.

#### MASS INTENTIONS AT THE OBLATE MISSIONS

For + Luba & Adam Grodecki, Stanislawa & Jozef Gasperowicz – granddaughter Malgosia

For + Jozef Hirniak - brather Bogdan with family

#### GREGORIAN MASS - 01.12-30.12

For + Czeslaw Kluska – daughter Alicja with family For + Slawomir Bobel – Bobel family

# SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday (06.12) – \$1,950.

We thank you for your financial support. The offerings can be made in the parish office by putting the offering envelopes in the parish mailbox in the wall, sending by mail or making the bank transfer.



	MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS
3 <sup>rd</sup> Su	nday of Advent
	y, December 13 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	
9:30	
	For Parishioners
	For + Wladyslaw Zubyk – daughter with family
18.00	Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima
	For + Lucja Girtler – son Jan with family
MONI	DAY, December $14^{th}$ – St. John of the Cross, priest
Doctor	r of the Church
8:00	1. For + Helena Kopowska on the 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary -
	family
	2. For + Genowefa Leczycka – Helena Rusinek
19:00	•
	Krzysztof, sister Krystyna & souls in the purgatory
TUES	DAY, December 15 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	1. For peace in the family & return to the Christian life
	for children
	2. For + Irena Glebocki - family
19:00	For + Genowefa Grela – son with family
WEDN	NESDAY, December 16 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	1. For + For + Ryszard Plewa – Paulina
	2. For + Wladyslaw & Waleria Soltys – daughters with
	families
	Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
19:00	Multiple Intensions Mass
	SDAY, December 17 <sup>th</sup> – St. Lazarus, bishop
8:00	1. For + Roman Lewandowski - family
	2. For + husband Andrzej & his parents & Tekla &
	Wlodzimierz Dzulyn & Ewa Krzyszczak – wife & Irena
19:00	& Ilgefon Janowski
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	husband with family
	2. For God's blessing & needed graces for parents &
	siblings - Halina
	AY, December 18 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	1. For + Benedykt Czaechrynski & deceased from the
	Wandowicz & Nawar families – Maria
	2. For Stanislaw & Franciszka Slugocki - son with
18:30	family Devotion to the Divine Mercy
19:00	
19100	friends
	2. For + Fr. Roman Nisiewicz - Adam
SATU	RDAY, December 19 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	1. For + Teresa Skibicki – Jozef & Maria Tobola
0.00	2. For + Maria Krawczuk – The Holy Rosary Society
19:00	1. In thanksgiving for the gift of family especially
17.00	children asking for the needed graces, God's blessing,
	light of the Holy Spirit & care of Mary Mother of God
	2. For + Marian Niewiadomski - family
4 <sup>th</sup> Sur	nday of Advent
Sunda	y, December 20 <sup>th</sup>
8:00	For the members of the Divine Mercy Society
9:30	In thanksgiving asking for health & God's blessing for
2.50	Diane & Hubert Kloda on their 15 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
	& their children Natalia & Dominik – mother
11.00	For Parishioners
13:00	
10.00	

19:00 For + Anthony & Katherine Presz – son John Presz