

Dec. 22, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Approximately 15 minutes before the Saturday & Sunday Masses when possible.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

Monday, Dec. 23 7:45 AM SJ – Clyde & Marie Gallardy

St. John of Kanty

Christmas Eve Dec. 24	4:00/Pageant	ST. B	Parishioners of St B and MHT	
	5:00/Pageant	IC	Irene Becker & For Our Parish	
	6:00/Pageant	MHT	Camilla & Ed Terek	family
	7:00PM	ST J	Daniel, Sr., & Carolann Yunetz	
Midnight	12:00	ST B	Alicia Richardson	family
Christmas Day Dec. 25	8:00AM	MHT	Steve Sikora-30 th Anniv of death	Sue & family
	8:00AM	IC	Carla Smith – First Anniversary	
	10:00AM	ST B	Zane & Zaramba families	Gary & Cathy Zaramba
	10:00AM	ST J	Devon Casti Malloy & For Our Parish	

Thursday, Dec. 26 No Mass *St. Stephen*

3 to 8 PM SJ – Exposition & Adoration

Friday, Dec. 27 No Mass *St. John*

Saturday, Dec. 28 4:00 PM MHT – Barber/Watts family, requested by Rita & family

4:00 PM IC – William Gabany *The Holy Innocents*

5:30 PM SB – Parishioners of Most Holy Trinity & St. Bartholomew

5:30 PM SJ – Jeannie & Pete Duffy

Sunday, Dec. 29 7:00 AM IC – Carl Wirfel & For the Parish *The Holy Family*

8:30 AM SJ – Ken & Jean Long Family & For the Parish

9:00 AM SB – Darlene Shaner, requested by family

10:30 AM MHT – Betty Gruss, requested by family

Sanctuary Candles	St. Bart	MHT	St. John	Immaculate C.
Dec. 22-28	Fred Gray	Dec members of Kmetz fam	For the Shut-ins of Our Parish	Clement & Grace Smith

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Dec. 28/29	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers
IC - 4:00 PM	Greg Madison	Ginny Rosko	
MHT- 4:00 PM	G Mehall	G Mehall	
St. J - 5:30PM	Ruth Ann Zimmer	Ruth Ann Zimmer	
St. B - 5:30PM	C Zaramba	C Zaramba	
IC – 7:00AM	Steve Pappas	Linus Smith	
St. J – 8:30 AM	Lisa Boyd	Suzie Pearson	
St. B 9:00 AM	D Templeton	D Templeton	
MHT – 10:30 AM	B Kessler	R Gramling	J, E, K Myers
M/B Count- 12/23	B Rosmus, D Fox	StB-Dec. Church cleaning	Judy Fleegle, Dianne Fox

Ministers	St. B	MHT	St. J	I.C.
Christmas Eve	M Branas	K Edmondson/D Yonkoski	Dave T. /John S.	Grade 4/Ginny R.
Midnight	E Richardson/Deacon			
Christmas Day	C Zaramba	B Kessler/	Deacon Rick Golden	Peggy S./Mary Sue L.

JANUARY 1: Solemnity of Mary-New Years Day is a holy day of obligation. The Mass schedule: Dec. 31 New Years Eve St.B at 4 PM; IC at 5:30 PM; MHT at 7 PM and on Jan. 1 - New Years Day at SJ at 8:30 AM.

DEACON RICK will preach at Christmas morning Mass at SJ at 10 AM and at all 4 of the Masses on New Year’s Eve/Day.

THE PARISH OFFICES will be closed this week on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. *Merry Christmas!*

Offertory Collections

Dec 22	Regular		Flowers	Special	Xmas	Votives	Diocese	Cem	Build	Total
MHT	\$1544		\$20	\$50	\$35	\$325	\$35	\$20	\$20	\$1734
St. B	\$2036		\$190	\$70	\$505		\$55	\$60	\$10	\$2926
IC	\$2092						\$498			\$2590
SJ	\$2097						\$680			\$2777

DEC. PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SICK Nancy Biese, a little one, Dave Schrifft, Patty Hammond, Eddie Werfel, Harry Templeton, Mary & David Lambert, Nancy Kruic, Diane Dodson, Lowell Seabolt, Trinity and Rose, Marlene Rummel, Katelynn Reighard, Mike Rosmus, Linda Debias, Sandy Georg, Francis Girard, James Sobel, Seth Georg, Mary Giallonardo, George Fetsko, Elio Lucci, Leroy Smith, Jason Kirchner, Maria Felix, Jim Benschhoff, Mary Ann Penatzer, Karen Y, Donna Moyer, shut-ins, special intentions. **Please send names for January, for the new Prayer Intention List for the New Year.**

(B/M) SECOND COLLECTION) Next weekend is for our cemeteries. Please be as generous as possible.

ST JAMES & ANTHONY CEMETERY committee would like to thank all who have increased their donations to the cemetery fund. The next project will be to replace the crosses at both cemeteries.

MASS CANCELLATION (for during the week): If Forest Hills School District cancels or delays school because of weather, morning Mass (Monday-Friday) and Adoration will be cancelled. The Mass intention will be rescheduled ASAP.

IC & SJ WEBSITE: This week at www.stjic.org ...From the timeless wisdom of Venerable Fulton Sheen we learn the significance of God becoming man and the true meaning of Christmas.

2025 CHURCH CALENDARS are in the gathering space of all 4 Churches. Please take one to a family. Thanks again to the Charles O. Dimond Funeral Home, Inc., Joseph J. Golden, Supervisor, for providing us with the calendars.

PARISH DATA: Please update all family information that has changed this year: address, phone, email, children,...

MHT CHOIR PRACTICE: This Monday, Dec. 23 at 5:30PM.

MHT CHRISTMAS DECORATING: Today Sunday, Dec. 22 after 10:30 Mass. Help is needed. Make this a family event.

(B)CHRISTMAS DECORATING: Today Sunday, Dec. 22 after 9:00 Mass. Help is needed. Everyone is welcome.

(B/M) OPLATKI-CHRISTMAS WAFERS: are in the vestibule for a \$3 donation.

(B) 2025 CHURCH CLEANERS: Volunteers are needed. Please call the office. Schedules will be posted Dec. 29

JANUARY MINISTERS: Forms were emailed and are in the vestibule to mark your unavailability for January.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY: The new section of the cemetery above the gravel road has been opened, and plots are available for purchase. Work has begun on the Columbarium, and we expect it to be finished February 2025.

Columbarium niches are available for purchase. Each niche holds up to two cremation urns. A photo of a columbarium similar to ours is featured on the bulletin board in SJ/IC Churches. Contact Janet at 814-242-3207 for more information.

ST B PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY is rescheduled for **Today, Dec. 22** at 3:15 with pizza and a visit from Santa. All the children from the Parish are invited.

ST. B LOTTERY CALENDARS: Please return all calendar money and stubs

IC: Our JEWELRY RAFFLE is **Sat, Jan. 18**, at New Germany Grove Hall. The tickets are available to buy or sell, please call Becky 724-357-8384 or Janet Krug 814-254-9997 or Pam at the parish office 814-495-5241. Tickets will cost \$30 each which includes admission, meal, dessert and drinks. Doors open at 5 PM and first drawing at 6 PM. Many Volunteers are needed to make this event a success. If anyone can help, please call Dave or Pam.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Third Annual Comedy Night, sponsored by SJ Church, will be Sat, March 1, 2025, at New Germany Grove Hall. The original Host from the first comedy night with 2 new comedians, food & refreshments.

DONATIONS OF BASKETS are needed for the night of the Jewelry Raffle. Baskets can be dropped off at the rectory.

COMMUNITY BOOK Club will be Monday, Dec. 30 in Marian Hall at 3:30 PM, on the book *"The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry"* by Gabrielle Zevin.

Jumpstarting Jubilee 2025 – Advent Love The fourth Advent candle symbolizes love. Our renewed sense of hope that accompanies the Jubilee Year results in a commitment to love one another. The Jubilee Year offers the opportunity to be “ambassadors of hope” through loving service. Join in the efforts to serve the poor offered by your parish. See what outreach ministries such as Catholic Charities have to offer. “God so loved the world that he sent his only Son,” share that love in return.

SQUARE DANCES in January will be held at New Germany Grove Hall on January 4 & 11. Dancing with the band Klassic Kountry from 7 to 10 PM. Proceeds benefit Pro-Life. Mark your calendars!

B.Y.O.B. CHRISTMAS DANCE: Our Lady of the Alleghenies, Lilly on Sat, Dec. 28, at 5:30pm; dinner at 6pm. Live band with dancing from 7-10pm. \$20/person or \$35/couple. For tickets call Anna 814-935-4501.

BISHOP MCCORT HOCKEY 2025 LOTTO CALENDAR: \$25 each, 2 numbers per calendar-6 months of daily prizes from \$25-\$100 (January 1 through June 30, 2025). Contact Hockey Player or email ADolgas287@gmail.com

POLISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS (KOLEDY): Sun, Jan. 5 at 2PM at All Saints Parish, Boswell. Polish choir, Benediction and refreshments. Whether you are Polish or not, come and experience the time-honored Christmas hymns. 814-629-5551

CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT Sun, Dec. 29 at 3 PM at St. Benedict, Carrolltown. Free will offering benefits organ fund.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Mon, Dec. 30 at 6PM. The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel in Loretto

TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MASS for Shut-ins and Special Diocesan events: Christmas Eve Mass at St. John Gualbert Cathedral, at 4p.m. on WWCP FOX 8. Bishop Mark will celebrate Midnight Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona and it will be broadcast live on radio station POP 104.5 FM Altoona and 92.1 FM Johnstown/1290 AM. The Christmas special *Joy to the World: Christmas in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown* at the historic Basilica of Saint Michael the Archangel in Loretto, will broadcast on Dec. 22 at 6:00 p.m. on WWCP FOX 8. Bishop Mark will celebrate Mass on Dec. 24 at 5p.m. at the Basilica of St Michael the Archangel in Loretto in celebration of the 225th anniversary of the first Christmas Mass in Loretto celebrated by the Prince-Priest and Servant of God Demetrius Gallitzin.