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 **December 19, 2021 – Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**“Christian communities are called to share in joy”**

The interaction between Mary and Elizabeth can teach us about Christian community. The women share in the joy of being a part of God’s plan. Likewise, Christians can draw together to celebrate with one another, as well as to support one another.

Liturgy of the Word

Micah prophesies that the ruler of Israel will come from Bethlehem-Ephrathah. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews writes that Christ said that he had come to do God’s will and that all *have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all*. In the Gospel, Mary visits Elizabeth and the child in Elizabeth’s womb leaps at the sound of Mary’s voice.

**Daily Readings for Advent** “Your word, O Lord, is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path.” –

Psalm 119:105

**Fourth Week** - Sunday Romans 1:1-17, Monday Judges 13:2-7, 24-25, Tuesday Isaiah 7:10-14, Wednesday Song of Songs 2:8-14, Thursday Luke 1:57-66, Friday Luke 1:67-79

**In your prayers, please remember**: Intentions of the Holy Father, all Priests including Msgr. Lawrence, Fr. Mowery and Fr. Sola, Josephine Folayemi Adewole, Lorena Bennet,

Butch Bogart, Christina Capriola, Russell Castrogiovanni, Cobert Family, Deb Haden, Ray Hunsinger, Vivian Whitenight Hynick, Margaret Kalie, Joyce Kishbaugh, Dick Kocher, Mary Ann Levan, James Mazonkey, Nora & Terry McDaniels, Bernie Nichols, Joan Pauley, Helen Raski, Sabo Family, Joan Sansouci, Pat Scardigli, Jackie Scherer, Dot Shelmet, Douglas Talanca, Pat Treier’s daughter Christy, Max Whitenight, Sonny Womelsdorf, Stan Zalot, and all the Parishioners of CTK.

**Stewardship: December 12, 2021**

Offerings $1374.00

Christmas $425.00

Immaculate Conception $187.00

Poinsettias $40.00

Retirement Fund for Religious $411.00

***Total*** $2437.00

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, December 18 – Bob Lindner by Richard & Tamara Lindner

Sunday, December 19 – Deceased Members of the Lizardi Family by Elizabeth Hnylanski

Monday, December 20 – Sabo Family by Paul Barclay

Thursday, December 23 – People of the Parish

Friday, December 24 – Daniel & Dolores Bauman and Lynne Greenly by Boiwka Family

Saturday, December 25 – Marilyn LaBonte by LaBonte Family

Sunday, December 26 – Dolores Strazdus by David Strazdus

**Mass intentions are available in memory of, or in honor of a loved one. The donation for having a Mass said for a personal request is $10.00. You can drop your request in the collection or contact the parish office.**

**Lector Schedule Extraordinary Minister**

December 19 - Meg Geffken Stephen Root

December 24 – Richard Lidner Judith Scavone

December 25 – Paul Haden Kathy Walker

December 26 - Mary Ann Zeveney Lee Ann Boiwka

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE DECEMBER 2021**

**God, in His mercy, has brought us once again to this auspicious moment to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, Emmanuel-God-with-us. This year has had its challenges. The pandemic is still with us, but we are grateful for the progress in curtailing it, even as we continue to implore God’s mercy on all those who are sick and those severely impacted by it. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, says that as we approach another Christmas, we learn from St. Joseph to cultivate spaces of silence in which another Word can emerge: that of the Holy Spirit who dwells in us. May the God-child born anew for us at Christmas fill us with His Spirit of love, hope, courage, fidelity, and truth. And may the light of His countenance shine upon you, bringing joy, happiness, comfort, peace, and blessings. MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!**

 **Fr. Olusola Adewole, O. P.**

**Poinsettias in Honor or Memory of our Loved Ones on the Altar**

**In Honor of**

Blessings in 2021 by Gloria & Avery

**In Memory of**

Anna Zumchak by Judy & Sonny Womelsdorf

Aunt Beatty Evans by Betty, T.J. & James Hnylanski

Bertha Heffner and Leona Chikotas by Noreen & Len Chikotas

Daniel & Dolores Bauman & Lynne Greenly by Joe & Lee Ann Boiwka

David Williams & Vincent Krajnak by Don & Mary Wilce

Deceased members of the Lizardi/Hnylanski Family by Betty, T.J. & James Hnylanski

Deceased members of the Walker & Pointon Families by Kathy & Rich Walker

Edward Mazonkey by Patricia Mazonkey

Jack & John B. Eustice by Anne Eustice

John & Yvonne Fontinell by Mary Fontinell

Lois & William Boiwka by Joe and Lee Ann Boiwka

Patrick J. Stemrich by Melanie Stemrich

Rocky Sullivan and Nicholas & Helen Mogish by Mark & Patricia Sullivan

Ronnie Poles by Dotty Poles

Tom & Tommy Tishler by Sharon Tishler

William J. Lenches II by Shanna & Paul Haden and Family

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**Christmas and New Year Schedule**

**Friday, Dec. 24 Christmas Vigil Mass @ 5p.m.**

**Saturday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day Mass @ 9a.m. (No 5:00 p.m. Mass)**

**Sunday, Dec. 26 Mass of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph @ 9a.m.**

**Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God (Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year) Confessions @ 4p.m. Vigil Mass of the Epiphany of the Lord @ 5p.m.**

**Sunday, Jan. 2, The Epiphany of the Lord, Mass @ 9a.m.**

**The Baptism of the Lord, Jan. 8 & 9 Saturday: Confessions @ 4p.m., Mass @ 5p.m.**

 **Sunday: Mass @ 9a.m.**

**Christmas Wafers**: Oplatky (“angel bread”) Christmas wafers are available on the back counter for a $5.00 donation. The oplatky are thin unleavened wafers similar to communion wafers. Today, in a concession to an ancient tradition, many people place straw and evergreen sprigs on a serving platter covered with a fine white napkin on which the oplatky rest. Families share the wafer on Christmas Eve as they gather together at the table, reconciling any differences, and remembering loved ones who have gone before them.

**CYE News:**

December 19- No CYE classes

December 25- Merry Christmas. Celebrate the birth of Our Savior

January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

January 3 - No CYE Classes

January 10 - CYE class Resumes. Decision Point Class grades 8-12, 11:30-2:15, lunch provided