



# Our Savior Parish of the PNCC

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Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday, Rejoice!

## A Sabbath Thought

Advent is a time of expectation that teaches us to look forward to Christ's coming. But it is not in the spectacular that we will find him. He comes in the midst of our daily routine, calling us to live after his example.

## About Today's Bible Readings

### ISAIAH 61:1-2, 10-11

The prophet describes the mission and the mandate the Lord has given him.

### PSALM: LK 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54

R: My soul rejoices in my God.

### 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-24

Paul urges Christian integrity and perseverance in anticipation of the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

### JOHN 1:6-8, 19-28

Because the task of John the Baptist is to announce the coming of Jesus, he does not draw attention to himself but points directly to the one he heralds, Jesus Christ himself.

## Sunday Worship Services

### TODAY – December 14<sup>th</sup>

#### Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

09:00 am - Deacon's Service of  
Worship and Reception of The Holy  
Eucharist.

### SUNDAY – December 21<sup>th</sup>

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

09:00 am - Deacon's Service of  
Worship and Reception of The Holy  
Eucharist.

### CHRISTMAS EVE – December 24<sup>th</sup>

11:45 pm - Deacon's Service of  
Worship and Reception of The Holy  
Eucharist.

### CHRISTMAS DAY – December 25<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am - Deacon's Service of  
Worship and Reception of The Holy  
Eucharist.

## Entrance Rite

*V. Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!  
Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near.*

**R. You are near, O Lord; by Your edict give me life.  
I rejoice at Your promise, as one who has found rich spoil.**

*V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.*

**R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen**

## The Gospel (John 1:6-8, 19-28)

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

And this is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am *the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord,'*" as Isaiah the prophet said." Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."

This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**My Brothers and Sisters:** Our prayers are needed: For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish. For the health and growth of our Parish. For the health of Bishop Bernard Nowicki. For the newest priest in the Polish National Catholic Church, Father James Konicki; may the Lord bless his ministry. For the increase in men called to the priesthood of the Polish National Catholic Church. For the repose of the soul of our dearly departed brother, Bernard Arkowitz. **Our Father...**