

December 13, 2015

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# Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

## A Sabbath Thought

We are preparing ourselves to celebrate the feast of Christmas. But what is the point of what we are doing? If we are to enter into the real meaning of the feast, we must get back to basics, like love and joy.

### About Today's Bible Readings:

#### ZEPHANIAH3:14-18

The prophet urges us to rejoice because the Lord's presence is a guarantee of deliverance.

#### PSALM IS 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

#### PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

Clear your minds of anxiety, urges the apostle, and fill your hearts with joy.

#### LUKE 3:10-18

Even now says John the Baptist, you can prepare the way of the Lord by righting wrongs.

## ENTRANCE RITE

- V. Will You be angry with us forever, drag out Your anger for all generations? Please give us life again, that Your people may rejoice in You.
- R. Fill us at daybreak with Your love, that all our days we may sing for joy.
- 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 (LUKE 3:10-18)

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

## This is the Gospel of the Lord!

## **Worship Services**

## TODAY – December 13<sup>th</sup>

Third Sunday of Advent

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

#### SUNDAY – December 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

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

11:30 PM - Choir Presentation of Christmas Music
12:00 Midnight - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.
The Shepherd's Service

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

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

## In Memoriam

We mourn the passing of long time parish member John J. Dmytrow, Sr. who passed from us into the joy of eternal life last Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for the repose of his soul and for the comfort of his family.

## Food Drive

We continue to collect nonperishable food items for distribution to the needy in our community. Your contributions can be placed in the narthex. Thank you and God bless.

## Christmas Memorial Flowers

Envelopes are available on the table in the narthex near the weekly bulletins if you should wish to make a memorial flower donation for Christmas.

## INTENTIONS:

**My Brothers and Sisters**: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health of Pat Seliga, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, John Rusnak, Walter Schilling, Berne Bloom, Theresa Kishler, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, John Cinkay, Robert Paterson, Dennis Wunderlich, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla and Gerry Brunson; For the repose of the soul of John J. Dmytrow, Sr **Our Father...** 

# Today's Hymns

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# Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Book.

## **Processional Hymn**

#1 - PNCC Hymn of Faith (Verses 1 & 4)

## **Entrance Hymn**

#29 - Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

## Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 - Come Thou Creator (Verses 1 & 4)

## **Offertory Hymn**

#28 – O Come, Divine Messiah

## **Communion Hymn**

#32 - O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

## **Recessional Hymn**

#25 - Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding