

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF UTICA

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Holy Trinity Parish (est. 1896) St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr Parish (est. 1911)

Rev. Canon John E. Mikalajunas, Pastor

Rev. Joseph E. Moskal, Assisting Senior Priest

Deacon George Spohr

January 12, 2025



SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA* January 12, 2024
Baptism of the Lord

Vigil Mass for SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA * January 12
Baptism of the Lord

5:00 pm + Robert M. Mickler -- Barbara & Dr. Rafe Mickler
 5:00 pm + Mary T. Karas -- Anna & Henry Krakowiak

SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA * January 12
Baptism of the Lord

8:00 am + Joseph Adams -- Ken Szczesniak & Carly Calogero
 8:00 am + Elizabeth Gerling--Ken Szczesniak & Carly Calogero
 10:00 am Birthday Blessings for Jakub Mroczek -- Parents & Grandma
 10:00 am + Mary T. Karas -- Stefan & Helena Krakowiak

MONDAY/PONIEDZIEK * January 13

Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 am + Jadwiga Karas -- Rose LaBuz
 8:00 am Intentions from the Mother's Day Envelopes

TUESDAY/WTOREK * January 14
Weekday

8:00 am + Siobhan Nash-Marshall -- Stephanie Havens
 8:00 am Blessings of Health for Fr. Canon John E. Mikalajunas

WEDNESDAY/SRODA * January 15
Weekday

8:00 am + Edward Waskiewicz -- Ed Novak
 8:00 am + Intentions from the All Souls Day Envelopes

THURSDAY/CZWARTEK * January 16
Weekday

8:00 am + Mary T. Karas -- Jenny Morawiec
 8:00 am + Joseph Gaska (Btdy) -- Son

FRIDAY/PIATEK * January 17
Saint Anthony, Abbot

8:00 am + Rosaleen "Rosalie" (Spine) Colaccico -- Samuel & Janice Russo, Jr.
 8:00 am + Mary T. Karas -- Bozena & Richard Sroczyk

SATURDAY/SOBOTA * January 18
BVM

8:00 am Intentions from the Father's Day Envelopes
 8:00 am + Mary T. Karas -- Joe & Agnieszka Capri

Vigil Mass for SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA * January 19
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm + Robert M. Mickler -- Samuel & Janice Russo, Jr.
 5:00 pm + Mary T. Karas -- Kazimierz & Lucyna Targosz

SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA * January 19
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am + Joseph & Stanley Jr. Synakowski -- Stephanie Hahn
 8:00 am + Kathleen Cuccaro-Ken Szczesniak & Carly Calogero
 8:00 am + Geraldine Cardona -- Ed Novak
 10:00 am + Blogoslaw & Nenstwo Bozedia -- Kazimierz & Lucyna Targosz and Dzieci
 10:00 am + Terri Huzarewicz (1st Anniv) -- Friends

Have a mass offered for the Anniversary of Death of your Parents & Loved ones. Call the rectory and reserve the date. God Bless!

**From the
 Pastor's Desk**



This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. The Baptism of the Lord is monumental because it marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry, as well as, confirming his identity as the Son of God. Furthermore, the Holy Trinity is fully displayed in the Baptism of the Lord. Christ's baptism remarkably shows all three Persons of the Trinity at the same time: the Son being baptized, the Holy Spirit descending, and the Father speaking from the heavens. In this event, the Father and the Holy Spirit confirm the divinity of Christ, and Jesus submits to his Father's will. Mark documents this event in his Gospel. *"It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."* (Mark 1:9-11)

So why was Jesus Baptized then? He is the Son of God and King of the Universe after all. When Jesus comes to John, John hesitates to baptize him. John's is a baptism of repentance, and Jesus has nothing for which he needs to repent. Why then does Jesus insist on being baptized? By choosing to be baptized, Jesus fulfills ALL righteousness, thus preparing himself to be a perfect sacrifice for us. The account in Matthew 3:13-15 validates this: *"Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him."*

So as we reflect on Christ's Baptism, let us pray for the Priests who Baptized all of us. Also, let us contemplate the importance of our own Baptism. Baptism is a communion with the One who conquered death and holds in his hand the keys of life. Belonging to this circle, to God's family, means being in communion with Christ, who is life and gives eternal love beyond death. Thanks be to God, who has redeemed us from our sins and given us eternal life through Jesus Christ. **Jesus, I trust in You!**

I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for your prayers, love, and generous gifts remembering me at Christmas. Also, thank you for your prayers, love, and concern during my recovery. Contrary to rumors you may have heard, my brothers and sisters, it is nothing serious and I will be back with you to serve you as your Pastor, Priest, and Friend, very soon! God Bless You All!

Sacrament of Confession is cancelled this week

HELP OUR GREAT PARISH ACHIEVE OUR HOPE APPEAL!

For 2024. We only need \$530 to reach our Goal.

I know you will not only reach the Goal but we will go over!

HOLY YEAR AT HOLY TRINITY.

Maybe you are a Parishioner of Holy Trinity since you were born, maybe you joined the parish in this year of 2024 or maybe you have started to come to Holy Trinity in 2024. With this in mind I would like to invite you one and all to join me in the Marian Room beneath the church on Wednesday January 22nd, 2025 at 6PM to share some coffee and pastries and simply talk with me as your parish Priest. Mark your calendars and bring some cookies. See you there!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Canon John E. Mikalajunas

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS January 5, 2024

We encourage all parishioners to use their weekly envelopes either by mailing your offerings, online giving or in Church. God Love You. Help us to meet our expenses as we strive to serve and save in these difficult times. Let us pray for each other. \$5500.00 per week needed to cover our expenses

January 5, 2024

Total Sunday Offering: \$4,120.00 (105 envelopes)

OTHER CHURCH GIFTS:

Pew Rent	11	\$77.00	Repairs & Imp.	15	\$227.00
Sol. Of Mary	79	1875.00	Fuel	8	195.00
Votive Candles		169.00	Angel Music Box		5.00
Christmas	4	80.00			



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for **Elizabeth "Betty" Matuszczewski**

Given by **John & Stanley Ossowski**

Words cannot express our deep gratitude for your generosity in providing 146 hats, 106 pairs of gloves, 17 scarves, 32 pairs of socks, slippers, a blanket, pajamas, and many new toys (oh my!) for our children at Thea Bowman House. We offered the warm winter pieces to our families as they came to pick up the children and the parents were delighted to "shop" among these beautiful and necessary items! We also appreciated the toys to replace old toys in the classrooms. Thank you all so much for helping to bring some excitement to these children we love and some relief to their parents. It is people like you who through your generosity bring hope to our world that is hungering for love and peace. May God bless you all in abundance with peace, joy, and hope this Christmas season and in this new year.

With much gratitude,

the Thea Bowman House Family.



Altar Server Assignments

Saturday, January 18
8:00 am: P. Zemanek
Saturday, January 19
5:00 pm: DeStefano Fam.
Sunday, January 19
8:00 am: Olejarnik Fam.
10:00 am: Mroczek Fam.

Lector Assignments

Saturday, January 18
Saturday, January 19
5:00 pm: R. Mickler
Sunday, January 19
8:00 am: L. Fusco
10:00 am: D. Pellerin/M. Zemanek

HOLY TRINITY'S ANGELS' SHARE FOOD PANTRY

Our New Year Food Drive for the Food Pantry continues. We thank

everyone who has been very generous so far.

The Food Pantry Friar is requesting donations of:

Stuffing, Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Instant Potatoes, Canned Veggies, Canned Fruit, Jello, Pudding, Hot Chocolate, Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Socks, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Meat

Dei Beneficia!

Fr. Canon John, Dr. Raffe, Barbara Mickler, and the Food Pantry Friar



Parish Reminders

Holy Trinity Bingo schedule: this Saturday January 11 AND next Saturday January 18. (Make up session requested by players due to last week's weather cancellation). Doors open at 4, games begin at 6:15pm in our school gym.

If you were unable to attend Mass last weekend due to inclement weather, we kindly ask you to mail or bring in your weekly collection envelope this week. Your parish's cost of operations actually goes up during winter storms due to extra costs of snow removal. Please!

Livestream 10AM Mass this Sunday on Facebook. Simply go to www.facebook.com and search for "Holy Trinity Church Utica." Available all week on your computer, smart phone or smart TV. Online worshippers please mail in your donations to Holy Trinity Church, 1206 Lincoln Ave, Utica NY 13502.

If you would like to request information to be placed in the bulletin, it needs to be received on the Monday prior to that week's bulletin. Late submissions will not be accepted due to printing schedules.



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH REGISTRATION FORM

- New Registration
- Moving out of Parish
- Change of Address
- Change of Information
- Name Change

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Please mail to Rectory or put in collection basket.

Thank you and Welcome!

Parish Contacts

Dr. Rafe Paul Mickler, Office: 315-724-7238
Stephen Zielinski, Music Director: 315-736-6955
Ken Szczesniak, Parish Council Chairman: 315-749-8472
Liz Fusco, Director of Religious Ed.: 315-525-5142
Mark Kantor, Trustee: 315-796-2123
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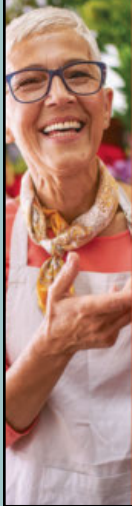
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