

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH of UTICA

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

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December 14, 2025 | Third Sunday of Advent

Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Parish is committed to proclaim the gospel message of Jesus Christ as a Roman Catholic community of faith, by promoting a sense of commitment to the Church, encouraging divine worship and prayer, fostering evangelization and nurturing the spirit of service. Within the context of our Polish-American heritage, we foster our tradition and aspire to personal growth in faith. We are determined to develop our vision for the future, to educate the children in Christian values and to be receptive to the creative and saving grace of the Blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Spirit.

Liturgical Celebrations

Holy Trinity (HT)

St. Mary's (SHSM)

Monday 12:15pm (SHSM)

Tuesday 12:15pm (SHSM)

Wednesday 8:00am (HT)

12:15pm (SHSM)

Thursday 8:00am (HT)

Friday 12:15pm (HT)

Saturday

4:00pm (Vigil) (SHSM)

Sunday

8:00am, 9:45am (HT)

8:00am, 11:00am (SHSM)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 3:00pm at St. Mary's (SHSM)

(201 Main Street, New York Mills).

Church Office Hours

Monday & Tuesday 9:00am - 3:00pm

Phone: (315) 724-7238

Closed holidays



Parishioner Registration Form

☐ New Registration ☐ Change of Address ☐ Name Change ☐ Moving Out of Parish ☐ Change of Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please mail this form to the
Rectory or drop into the collection
baseket during Mass.

Thank you and welcome!

SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA | December 14*3rd Sunday of Advent*

- 8:00 am + Special Intentions
 8:00 am + Gary Baran (Birthday) *OF* Wayne
 9:45 am + Marion & Matthew Niznik *OF* Debbie & Pete Wyborski
 9:45 am + Margaret & Valentine Wyborski *OF* Debbie & Pete Wyborski
 9:45 am + Przyborski Family *OF* Patricia Swald Aiken
 9:45 am + Za dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące *OF* Alfreda Zaczeniuk
 9:45 am + Peter Tarnowski *OF* Brother Roman

MONDAY/PONIEDZIAŁEK | December 15*12:15 pm Mass at St. Mary's***TUESDAY/WTOREK | December 16***12:15 pm Mass at St. Mary's***WEDNESDAY/ŚRODA | December 17**

- 8:00 am + Julia Wojtanowski (35th Anniv.) *OF* Br. Leonard CFX

THURSDAY/CZWARTEK | December 18

- 8:00 am + Lou Esper Jr. & Donna *OF* Tony & Connie

FRIDAY/PIĄTEK | December 19

- 12:15 pm + Florian Karas & Fam. *OF* Estate of Sophie A. Karas

SATURDAY/SOBOTA | December 20*4:00 pm Vigil Mass at St. Mary's***SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA | December 21***4th Sunday of Advent*

- 8:00 am + Joseph Ziembra *OF* Emily Ziembra
 9:45 am + Anna & Wojciech Tabor *OF* Grandson Tomasz Mroczek
 9:45 am + Swald Family *OF* Patricia Swald Aiken
 9:45 am + Dorothy Synakowski *OF* Elizabeth Buckley
 9:45 am + Wladyslaw & Jozef Gadek *OF* Family
 9:45 am + Maria Karas *OF* Wes Urban

ANNOUNCEMENTS**HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE AT HOLY TRINITY:**Christmas Eve — Wed, Dec. 24th 4:00pm & 10:00pmChristmas Day — Thurs, Dec. 25th 9:30amSolemnity of Mary, Mother of God — Thurs, Jan. 1st 9:30am

NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS: We are updating our Parish Directory and we ask that **ALL PARISHIONERS** complete the registration form on the front page of this bulletin and return it to the collection basket.

Thanks to everyone for supporting our Food Pantry for Thanksgiving and during the year. The Pantry is always in need. We will also be collecting food for Christmas bags.



OPŁATKI are available in the Sacristy and Rectory Office for a donation of \$4.00.

2026 Calendars in English and Polish are available in the vestibule, provided by the McGrath and Wolanin Funeral Homes.

Rosary schedule at Holy Trinity: Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday following 8:00am Mass, Friday following 12:15pm Mass

Koronka do Miłosierdzia Bożego będzie odmawiana w każdą niedzielę o 9:30, czyli przed mszą. Wszystkich bardzo serdecznie zapraszamy do wspólnej modlitwy.

This weekend, our 9:45am Sunday Mass (December 14) will be livestreamed on Facebook. Mass will be posted for worship during the week. Search Facebook for "Holy Trinity Church Utica."

Winners of our Parish Raffle will be printed in next week's bulletin.

Please remember to use your home parish collection envelope if attending Mass at a neighboring parish. We have a "reciprocal" arrangement so that, for example, Holy Trinity donations will be credited and returned back to Holy Trinity even though attending Mass at St. Mary's, and vice versa.

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word for rejoice, and this Sunday is the time for us to rejoice because Jesus came and died so that we may live forever with him! On this third Sunday of Advent, we are invited to reflect on the joy we have, because of our faith in Jesus.

We remember those who served us from Holy Trinity and St. Stanislaus Parishes:

December 14 — Rev. Charles A. Stuczko, 1987

24 — Rev. Stanley P. Macewicz, 1992

30 — Rev. Stanley M. Szweczyk, 1988

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

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. \$5,500.00 per week needed to cover our expenses.

Sunday Offering (11/30/25): \$3,026.00 (108 envelopes)

Other Church Gifts:

Rel. Ed/CCD	(4) \$43.00	Christmas	(1) \$25.00
Fuel	(1) \$25.00	Sol. of Mary	(1) \$10.00
Pew Rent	(7) \$439.00	Seminary	(1) \$10.00
Repairs & Imp.	(8) \$103.00	Human Dev.	(3) \$30.00
All Saints	(1) \$5.00	Christmas Flowers	(14) \$217.00
Thanksgiving	(23) \$600.00	Oplutki	\$197.00
Immac. Con.	(1) \$10.00	Votive Candles	\$110.00

The tax year of 2025 is coming to an end. If you would like to receive a credit for charitable church donations throughout the year, please make sure you use your regular envelopes. Our money counters need to be able to match your name with your donation. Beginning in January, if you would like to receive a contribution letter for your tax purposes, please drop off or send us a self-addressed, stamped envelope in the collection basket or email it to us.

Thank you so much! — Office Staff

HOLY TRINITY FOOD PANTRY**Please Help Restock the Food Pantry**

CANNED — Spaghetti Sauce, Fruit, Vegetables, Meat, Tuna, Chicken, Beef Stew, Chef Boyardee, Soups

Macaroni, Rice, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Oatmeal Complete
Pancake Mix, Syrup, Peanut Butter, Jelly,
Pudding and Jello Cups, Instant Potatoes,
Knorr Mixes



THANK YOU!

HELP YOUR GREAT PARISH ACHIEVE OUR HOPE APPEAL GOAL!

In this season of giving and helping the less fortunate, please consider the Hope Appeal. Your donation supports programs to assist the poor in our community. Please remember to submit your Hope Appeal this week or next. Here's some examples of the good works your Hope Appeal donation provides:

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Numbers below represent individuals served.

- ✦ Refugees resettled: 954
- ✦ Post-resettlement services: 1,754
- ✦ Homeless men sheltered: 1,609
- ✦ Transitioned into stable housing: 1,266
- ✦ Meals served through food pantries: 1,436,656
- ✦ Individuals receiving meals: 217,402
- ✦ Individuals received household/hygiene products: 17,147
- ✦ Individuals receiving services and assistance: 94,667

On Sunday, December 14th, between 1 - 3 pm on the grounds of Christ the King Shrine on Flanagan Rd. Marcy, St. Nicholas will make an appearance. He will tell his true-life story. There will be hot chocolate, donuts, blankets, gifts and treats (for kids little and big).

Altar Server Assignments

Sunday, December 21

8:00 AM: N. Olejarnik
9:45 AM: Mroczek Fam.

Lector Assignments

Sunday, December 21

8:00 AM: P. Fairbrother
9:45 AM: J. Piersall &
L. Targosz

... Therefore, the elements of this devotion consist of the following four points, all of which must be offered in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Confession: This confession can be made before the First Saturday or afterward, provided that Holy Communion be received in the state of grace. In 1926, Christ in a vision explained to Lucia that this confession could be made a week before or even more and that it should be offered in reparation.

Holy Communion: Before receiving Holy Communion, offering it in reparation to Our Lady is necessary. Our Lord told Lucia in 1930, "This Communion will be accepted on the following Sunday for just reasons if my priests allow it so." So if work or school, sickness, or another reason prevents Communion on a First Saturday, it may be received the following Sunday with this permission. If Communion is transferred, any or all of the other acts of the devotion may also be performed on Sunday if the person desires.

Rosary: The Rosary is a vocal prayer while meditating upon the mysteries of Our Lord's Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and Our Lady's life. To comply with the request of our Blessed Mother, it must be offered in reparation and said properly while meditating.

15-minute meditation: Also offered in reparation, the meditation may embrace one or more mysteries, including all, taken together or separately. This meditation should be the richest of any meditation because Our Lady promised to be present when she said, "...those who keep me company..."

To those who faithfully follow Our Lady's requests for the Five First Saturdays, she has made a wonderful promise which she will certainly fulfill: "I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation." This means that our Blessed Mother will be present at the hour of death with the actual grace of final perseverance.

After completing the Five First Saturdays, one may continue the devotion simply to console the Immaculate Heart of Our Lady. A tender love of our Blessed Mother will lead one to do all he can to make reparation for the sins which pierced her Immaculate Heart.

**THE LIGHT IS ON — Penance Service**

Monday, December 15th from 4-7pm at Mary, Mother of Our Savior (Lourdes Campus)

All priests from our local region will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

"Let us be women and men who pray with boldness, love without condition, and serve with joy. Holy Mary, Our Lady of Palestine, teach us to be peacemakers. Our Lady of Lourdes, teach us to be healers. May we, like you, carry Christ, our Hope, into every corner of our diocese, our nation, and our world."

As we await the Birth of Jesus Christ, the Palestinians in the Holy Land suffer grievously. Over 50 women from the Womens' Conference pray by name daily for 17 widows and 45 orphans identified by a Palestinian American, Abir Elzowidi, with relatives in Gaza. If you want to pray for these innocent victims contact Kit Klier at ktklier3@gmail.com.

Diocesan Mass for the home-bound, Sunday at 6:00 AM on WKTV.

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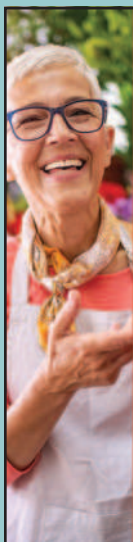
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