

# St. Nicholas Church

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## NORTHERN CAMBRIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## OFFICE HOURS

MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
8AM	9AM	9AM	10AM	8AM
3PM	3PM	3PM	3PM	11AM
		6PM 8PM		

IF SCHOOL IS CANCELED THERE WILL BE  
A HALF DAY IN THE OFFICE.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday at 3:00 PM

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (vigil) 6:00 PM  
Sunday 6:00 AM, 8:00 & 10:30 AM

## DEVOTIONS

**Adoration** 8:00 PM Wednesday  
ending Thursday at 8:00 PM

### Holy Hour

Thursday 7:00 PM

### Benediction

Thursday 8:00 PM

### Morning Prayer

Mon. to Sat. 7:00 AM

### Rosary

Sunday 7:00 PM

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Baptism, Matrimony & Mass Intentions:**

Contact the parish office during office hours for scheduling.

### Anointing of the Sick

Please call the office when someone is hospitalized or seriously ill.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

(Confessions) will be celebrated on Saturday at 11:00 AM and 5:00 PM or by appointment.

## Last Week's Collection

First Collection	\$6,306.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 11.00
Religious Education	\$ 509.00
Additional Christmas	\$ 841.00

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY

<b>9 MONDAY</b>	<b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD 239-707</b>
8:00 AM.....	L/D of the Stinebiser Family
<b>10 TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEEKDAY 728</b>
8:00 AM.....	†Clotilda Karlheim
<b>11 WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>WEEKDAY 738</b>
8:00 AM.....	†Kenny Sherry
9:30 AM.....	School Mass
<b>12 THURSDAY</b>	<b>WEEKDAY 748</b>
8:00 AM.....	H/W Herk & Lou Ann Kline
<b>13 FRIDAY</b>	<b>WEEKDAY 759</b>
8:00 AM.....	†Frank & Mary Reber 7-4
9:30 AM.....	School Mass
<b>14 SATURDAY</b>	<b>BVM 1383-770</b>
8:00 AM.....	†Joseph Kudlawiec 11-12
Vigil	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time
6:00 PM.....	†Glen & Gloria Hull
<b>15 SUNDAY</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>
6:00 AM.....	†Warren Good
8:00 AM.....	L/D of the Nicktown Fire Co.
10:30 AM.....	L/D of the Parish

### CALENDAR TICKET WINNERS

Dec 18	420	Nicktown, PA
Dec 19	704	Nicktown, PA
Dec 20	500	Nicktown, PA
Dec 21	731	Nicktown, PA
Dec 22	063	Nicktown, PA
Dec 23	339	Ebensburg, PA
Dec 24	326	Carrolltown, PA

### January 8

**Mt 2: 1-12**

The Magi in today's gospel were led to Jesus by a star. Who are the stars your children follow? Don't let it be the tabloid stars. Resolve in the New Year to be the guiding star in the life of your children.

**For our detailed Calendar of events and rentals visit**

<http://localendar.com/public/SaintNicholas>

## COMMUNITY CENTER

No childcare is provided.

### Gymnasium is open

School days 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM  
Sundays **Noon** – 10:00 PM  
All Other days 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM  
The gym is occasionally closed for parish, school, or private events. See below for closures.

### Exercise room is open

Sundays 6:00 AM to 6:30 PM  
All other days 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM

### Yoga Classes

Thursday 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM  
Sunday 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Call Basil for details 948-9503

### 9<sup>th</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT

All 9<sup>th</sup> grade candidates are to attend a mandatory retreat at the church hall on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> beginning promptly at 9:00 AM and lasting till Noon. Parents of the candidates are expected to attend the retreat and sponsors are invited also. Each candidate is to bring a remembrance of his or her Baptism such as a candle, photo, garment, etc. If anyone is unable to attend the retreat please call Monica at 948-8776.

### 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE RETREAT

The second 10<sup>th</sup> grade retreat – Stories for the Journey: Parables Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at the church hall beginning promptly at 9:00 AM and ending at Noon. This retreat is mandatory for all tenth grade students and any 11<sup>th</sup> grade students who missed the retreat last year. Please remember that in order to be confirmed, you must attend all retreats and complete all the necessary paperwork prior to Confirmation. If you are unable to attend the retreat please call Monica at 948-8776.

### NEWS FROM

### BARR TWP ROD & GUN CLUB

Meeting – Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 PM

Adult BB Shoot (Covered Dish) - Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM

Youth BB starts Jan 20<sup>th</sup>

### CHOIR NEWS

Men's choir practice is Wednesday, February 8 at 6:30 PM to sing at the 8 AM mass on Sunday, February 12.

Adult Choir Practice is Tuesday, January 10 at 6:30 PM, to sing at the 6:00 PM mass on Saturday, January 14.

New Choir Members Are Always Welcome.

### BLUE GRASS & WINGS

The Holy Name Society will sponsor an evening of live Blue Grass music on Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM at the St. Nicholas Church Hall. The doors will open at 6:45 PM. Wings and other refreshments may be purchased. There will be a \$2.00 cover charge for those over 16. Bring the family and join us for great music and wings.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 8 <sup>th</sup> .....	Breakfast
January 18 <sup>th</sup> .....	Blood Drive
January 21 <sup>st</sup> .....	Blue Grass & Wings
January 29 <sup>th</sup> .....	Gun Raffle (Fire Co.)
February 4 <sup>th</sup> .....	Cash Bonanza
February 18 <sup>th</sup> .....	Tool Raffle (Fire Co.)

Northern Cambria Catholic School will be selling gift cards (SCRIP) after all Saturday and Sunday Masses. If you would like to purchase SCRIP please stop at the rectory.

#### Next Week's SCRIP Sale

6:00 PM .....	Colleen
6:00 AM.....	Sue
8:00 AM.....	Heather
10:30 AM.....	Denise

### RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH

On January 23<sup>rd</sup> a bus will be leaving from St. Nicholas Church to attend the Right to Life March in Washington, DC. We will leave at 7:30 AM. There is no charge for the bus, but reservations are required. Donations are gladly accepted. You can register by calling the parish office at 948-9614. Please pack a lunch for the trip to DC and bring some money for dinner on the way back to Nicktown.

**Attention all high school students:** We ask you to declare your respect for life by attending the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Let's show that St. Nicholas youth are present. Join us and bring a friend.

### BLOOD DRIVE HELP

St. Nicholas will be sponsoring a blood drive on January 18<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help with the blood drive. If you have some time to spare please call the parish office and let us know when you are available. Thank you.

### THANK YOU

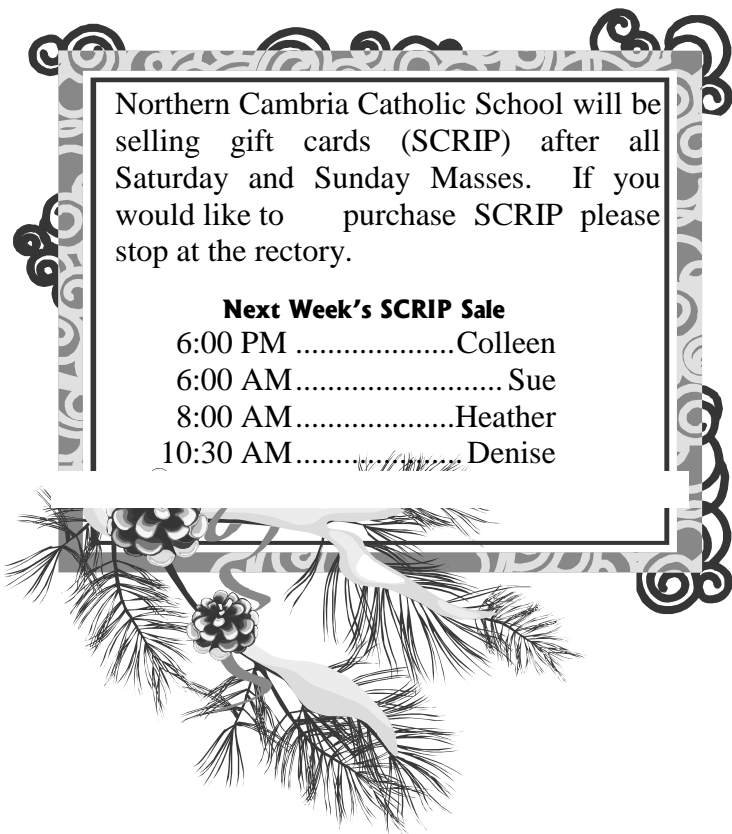
Thank you to all who helped with the Christmas decorating of the Church, Kline's Tree Farm for the beautiful trees along with the Boy Scouts for putting them in the sanctuary. Also many thanks to the donors of the Christmas flowers/decoration memorials.

### THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, masses, get well cards, food, special care and transportation provided for my wife and me during my hospital stay and recovery time.

Thank you Fr. Chad and Monica and Gloria with the Legion of Mary for your special visits. The prayers and concerns from our friends, neighbors and relatives were the real medicine needed in getting better. May God Bless all of you for the support.

*Sincerely  
Paul Koval.*



## LAY MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

JANUARY 14/15

### Altar Servers

6:00 PM

Rachel Kwisnek  
Rebecca Kwisnek  
Megan Kwisnek  
Aleah Krug  
Taylor Sichko

8:00 AM

Aaron Sherry  
Kayla Sherry  
Darrin Weinzierl  
Henry Dumm

10:30 AM

Kaitlyn Kudlawiec  
Bryant Onkst  
Chris Benamati  
Darren Benamati

### Lectors

6:00 PM

Adam Zernick  
Bernard Zernick  
8:00 AM  
Nancy Dumm

### Minister of Communion

6:00 PM

Kathy Kirsch  
Judy Bender  
Kris Kirsch  
Betty Leslie  
Allyn McCombie

8:00 AM

Debra Dumm  
Theresa Lieb  
Janelle Harvey  
Bev Sherry

Susie Gomish

10:30 AM

Archie Morris  
Ron Wolfe  
Mary Ellen Zurich  
Jen Cramer  
Tammy Hamilton

10:30 AM

Darla Kochinsky  
Amanda Dillon



## From the Desk Of the Pastor

January 8<sup>th</sup>

Feast of the Epiphany

The Feast of the Epiphany offers us all the opportunity to better understand the revelation of Christ to the world. The question to the wise men and to each one of us is "What are you looking for? The Magi came seeking the Christ child but "What are we looking for? Are we seeking answers to our worries and troubles? Are we looking for a fresh challenge? Are we seeking rest? Are we looking for help with our futures, our families, our jobs? No matter what we are looking for, Jesus is our answer.

We are reminded in our scripture to "Come and see Who Jesus really is". Philip posed the same question to Nathanael "Come and see." Come and see where he is staying — it may be closer than you think. Come and see what Jesus is all about. Come spend time with Him and you will begin to see, really see. The Magi yearned to see the Revelation of Israel and were fulfilled by that sacred moment. Whatever your heart is yearning for, you will find it — in Jesus.

*O Lord, I am looking for answers. You know what my mind and heart are seeking. Help me to realize that You are the answer to my questions; You are the object of my desires. Help me to answer Your invitation to come and see, here and now. Amen.*

*I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their many kindnesses extended to me and to the parish at Christmas. Your outpouring of generosity was greatly appreciated.*

*A special "thank you" is extended to our many volunteers and helpers who help decorate the church at Christmas time. May God's special blessings come down upon each and everyone of you now and always and forever.*

*A Blessed New Year!*

*Father Chad Ficorilli, O.S.B. / Pastor*

## RETREAT, RENEWAL AND RESTORATION

A Full Day of Conference

and Healing Ministry, with Luncheon

(Seating for 350-Make your reservations early)

Fr. DiOrio has been a priest for 54 years, 42 years in the healing ministry. His ministry is known worldwide and has been recognized by the Vatican as blessed with spiritual gifts. This will be a more personal experience with Fr. Ralph DiOrio. Come and join us on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at the Bellamauro Conference Center near DuBois. The retreat will begin at 11 AM and end around 5 PM. This will include a luncheon buffet.

Tickets are required. For tickets or information Please call: Tillie 814 371-4116, Marie 814 375-4667, Ben & Peggy 814 781-1633 or Bill 814 371-1765.