

St. Nicholas Church

November 27, 2011

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First Sunday of Advent



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday at 3:00 PM

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

NORTHERN CAMBRIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Nicktown, PA

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Principal.. Sr. Mary Lee, CSSF

Secretaries Pauline Horvath

and Marlena Onkst

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.

OFFICE HOURS

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

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

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Last Week's Collection

First Collection	\$5,407.70
Catholic Charities	\$ 721.60

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER

28 MONDAY ADVENT WEEKDAY 718-47

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

10:30 AM Meadow View

29 TUESDAY ADVENT WEEKDAY 728-50

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

30 WEDNESDAY ANDREW 1325-707

8:00 AM †All Souls Novena

9:30 AM School Mass

1 THURSDAY ADVENT WEEKDAY 748-56

8:00 AM Private Intention

2 FRIDAY ADVENT WEEKDAY 759-59

8:00 AM †Joseph & Mary Cooney

9:30 AM School Mass

4:00 PM Anointing of the Sick at Mass

3 SATURDAY FRANCIS XAVIER 1329-770

8:00 AM †Fred Smith

Vigil 2nd Sunday of Advent

6:00 PM †Richard Baker

4 SUNDAY 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6:00 AM L/D of the Parish

8:00 AM L/D of the Altar & Rosary Society

10:30 AM †Helen Wysocki

CALENDAR TICKET WINNERS

Nov 6	159	Northern Cambria, PA
Nov 7	204	Nicktown, PA
Nov 8	459	Northern Cambria, PA
Nov 9	035	Marstellar, PA
Nov 10	919	Nicktown, PA
Nov 11	878	Nicktown, PA
Nov 12	289	Northern Cambria, PA

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE?

With Advent right around the corner, it is not too early to start thinking about potential recipients of our "Advent Angels" (formerly Jesse Tree). If you know of a family or person to add to our list, please contact Renee Bernard at rbernard@francis.edu or 951-5962.

November 27 Mk 13:33-37

Today's gospel tells us to "Be watchful." This comes natural to families. Parents are watchful of their children's health, grades and friends. Children are watchful of parental moods. Today's gospel encourages us to use this ability to see God acting in the innocence, tenderness, love and forgiveness of your family.

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

CHOIR NEWS

Men's choir practice is changed to Tuesday, December 6, at 6:30 PM (due to the Holy Day), to sing at the 8 AM mass on Sunday, December 11.

Adult Choir Practice is Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 PM, to sing at the 6:00 PM mass on Saturday, December 17.

The Christmas Choir rehearsals are as follows: Adult Choir (to sing at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve): Sunday, November 27 at 5:30 PM, December 4, 11, 18 at 5:45 PM and Monday and Wednesday, December 19 and 21, 6:30 to 7:45 PM.

Children's Choir (to sing at the 4 PM mass Christmas Eve): Sunday, December 4, 11, 4:30 to 5:30 PM and December 18, 4:30 to 5:45 PM. Please contact Teresa at 948-4740 for any questions

New Choir Members Are Always Welcome.



Merry Christmas

When shopping or out with people, many will greet you with "Happy Holidays." Just smile back at them and give them the real salutation — *Merry Christmas*. Without Christ, there would be no Christmas!

Neighboring Events

Eucharistic liturgy & healing service

St. Joseph's Church
509 Caldwell Avenue, Portage, PA. 15946
Wednesday - November 30, 2011

Join the Altoona Cathedral prayer group music
ministry in
praise & worship 6:30 pm
Eucharistic liturgy 7 pm

Fr. Bob Hilz, Franciscan, celebrant
Fr. Bob, other priests & prayer teams available
for individual prayers after the liturgy

For information and directions call:
Anita Bertuzzi 814-243-5931

A BIG THANK YOU!!

For all your prayers, cards, phone calls, visits
and your concern for me during my recent stay
at the hospital. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Joan T. Dumm

Attention 11th Grade Confirmation Candidates

This is a reminder that **ALL 11TH GRADE
CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** are to
assist at the St. Nicholas Covered Dish Dinner
Sunday, December 4th. Please report to the hall
no later than 10:30 AM to help wherever
needed. You are asked to remain until all clean
up is completed after the event.

RADA

NCCS is taking orders for RADA Cutlery until
this Wednesday, November 30th. Catalogs are
on the table at the main entrance of the church.
Turn paid orders in to the school office. Direct
questions to
Sue @948-8832 Thanks!

DONATION OF ALTAR-FLOWERS

If anyone would like to donate flowers as a
memorial in honor of a loved one, living or
deceased, please contact the Rectory at 948-
9614. The flowers will be placed at the
Tabernacle or, if specified around the candles at
the altar. The memorial will be noted in the
bulletin each week.

USED BOOKS

The Northern Cambria Catholic School will be
having a used book sale in March. We are
looking for any lightly used books for the sale.
If you are cleaning out before Christmas, and
would like to donate books, you can drop them
off at the school. Please no magazines or
reference books. For more information call
Lynn at 948-8397. Thank you for your support.



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.

Sellers for next week:

6:00 PM
6:00 AM
8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Nancy
Sr. Lee
Charissa
Shelly



ALTAR & ROSARY

The Altar-Rosary annual Advent (Christmas)
Party will be held at 6:00 PM on Friday,
December 2nd at the hall. It is a covered dish
dinner with the meal beginning at 6:30 PM.
Please bring a non-perishable/non-meat item for
the Carmelite Sisters at the Carmelite Monastery
in Loretto. We will be accepting cash donations
for our orphanage in Honduras and there will
also be a 50-50. Any women, ages eighteen or
older, who may be interested in joining the
Altar-Rosary Society are cordially invited to
attend and bring a guest.

LAY MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Altar Servers

6:00 PM

Evan Ludwig

Joel Ludwig

Faith Dumm

Mark Dumm

8:00 AM

Matthew Ludwig

Paul Ludwig

Sam Nealen

Josh Nealen

10:30 AM

Roman Lessard

Vincent Lessard

Martin Lessard

Danny Myers

Minister of Communion

6:00 PM

Barb Dumm

Sally Farabaugh

Gene Farabaugh

Chris Kirsch

8:00 AM

Susie Gomish

Joel Dumm

Allan Kirsch

Julie Miller

10:30 PM

Bob Dillon

Diana Dillon

Deanna Gillon

Archie Morris

Lectors

6:00 PM

Colleen Krug

Danielle Hoover

8:00 AM

Ron Krumenacker

10:30 AM Sunday

Brad Blickenderfer

Nancy Dumm

CHRISTMAS IS ONLY 27 DAYS AWAY.

IN THE PARISH OFFICE WE HAVE

COOKBOOKS, T-SHIRTS

AND TRAVEL MUGS

THAT YOU CAN PURCHASE FOR GIFTS.

THANK YOU

The Knights of Columbus collected \$470.00 for Pro Life. They will be donating the money to Moms House of Johnstown. Thank you for your generous donation.

William Miller
Grand Knight
Council 12277

1st Sunday of Advent

Like the servants in today's Gospel, we have been left alone by the Master to care for all creation. As Christian stewards, we give thanks for the work God has entrusted to us.

COOKBOOK UPDATE:

As the upcoming holidays approach, this is a reminder about the wonderful cookbook our parish is selling. It makes a beautiful gift for any occasion, perhaps baskets, hostess', family and friends. Also, for all those that have their own business, this is the perfect opportunity to say "Thanks!" to your customers and employees with a gift that will last for years to come. In addition to the sales at the office, we will be selling them at the St. Nicholas's Day in December. As a footnote, we also have T-shirts and Travel Mugs for sale. We would appreciate you getting behind these sales so that the profit from our "150th Anniversary" can be wrapped up before the new year.

MID'S CANDY BAR FUNDRAISER

Sodality is selling Mid's Candy Bars for \$1.00 each. Please support our young women. If you are interested in the candy bars please call Rachel @ 948-8279 or see any Sodality member.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- December 4th St. Nicholas (Covered Dish & Thank You)
- December 8th Immaculate Conception
- December 13th Bookmobile
- December 25th Christmas



**ST. NICHOLAS
COVERED DISH &
THANK YOU DINNER**

Everyone is invited to attend our annual St. Nicholas Covered Dish Dinner on Sunday, December 4th immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass. This is also our way of saying "thank you" to everyone who has volunteered their time and services in the past year and also extending our welcome to Fr. Chad and Br. Nathaniel. Please bring your family and a covered dish and join us.

