

TRANSFIGURATION PARISH

Your Best
YES

—Advent Message Series—

Our culture tends to jump into Christmas mode the day after Halloween, often sending us into an exhausted frenzy. However, the truth is that we have limited time and resources to prepare for Christmas, on top of dealing with normal life issues that don't go on hold, just because the holidays are here. **In this series, we will look into the pressures of the Christmas season, and explore how to handle the season with the lasting peace and joy of Christ.** We will also view Advent as a model how to make positive decisions throughout the rest of the year, as well.

WEEK FOUR: Invest & Invite
FORTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 23, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

—MI 5:1-4 A

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel; whose origin is from of old, from ancient times. Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time when she who is to give birth has borne, and the rest of his kindred shall return to the children of Israel. He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock by the strength of the LORD, in the majestic name of the LORD, his God; and they shall remain, for now his greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth; he shall be peace.

PSALM 80

**Lord, Make Us
Turn to You**

READING II

—HEB 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight. Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, behold, I come to do your will, O God.'" First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, : Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

GOSPEL

—LK 1:39-45

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

General Intention

— For Peace and Unity in our Nation

5:00 pm — †Dick and Maryann Sherwin
Stahl Family
†Davis & Pesz Families

6:30 pm — Por Todos los Enfermos dentro de la Parroquia

7:30 am — †Charlette Weber

9:00 am — Alondra & Victor Cerda
†Gene Lukasil
†Helene & Edward Lucas

11:00 am — †Theresa Solimini
Walter, Catherine & Wally Bedtke

12:30 pm — For Those with Addictions

MASS INTENTIONS: Daily Mass Intentions are available for parishioners who would like their intentions to be remembered at Mass. Intentions are available for those who have died or for someone who is living. Stop by the Parish Office or call us to obtain a date and time.

All announcements must be submitted to the bulletin for publication 10 days prior to the bulletin date.

Email to: bulletin@transfigurationwauconda.com

Please submit requests to speak at Mass one month in advance. All requests will be approved by the Pastor.



WEEK FOUR: Invest & Invite

ONE CHURCH — ONE MESSAGE:

ADVENT MESSAGE SERIES

Scripture: Luke 1:39-45

What does God want us to know? Say Yes to Relationships (Invest & Invite) Christianity is different from every other religion. Every other religion says we have to work our way to get to God. Christianity reveals it is the other way around.

What does God want us to do? To accept Salvation. **Salvation is about accepting Christ into your life, repeating the same yes Mary did, and receiving Christ into your life.** Ultimately, whatever other “yeses” you’ve got going on in your life, saying yes to Christ is your best yes. **Call someone and invited them to celebrate Christmas at Transfiguration.**

*"Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth." When Mary finds out she is pregnant with Jesus and that her cousin Elizabeth is also expecting, she goes to visit Elizabeth. She makes relationships a priority. **In this final week, we will look at the example of mother Mary and her preparation for the first Christmas. We are to make room for the most important relationships in our lives.** Like Elizabeth we are to express gratitude for those relationships. In this message we will look at identifying the most important relationships and how to grow in gratitude for them.*

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Parish Announcements

1. DID YOU PICK UP THE RIGHT PHOTO FROM THE ALTAR OF THE DEAD?

If you accidentally picked up the wrong photo from the Altar of the dead, please returned it to the table in the Gathering Room or at the Parish Office. A parishioner just lost her brother this past year. The picture was of him as a boy.

2. DIAPER DRIVE —

During Advent we are collecting diapers to help local families in need. Please bring all donations to church or to the parish office. See page 9 for more information.

3. CHRISTMAS EVE OPLATKI—

Available at the parish Office and before or after the Polish Mass.

4. CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS — MASS SCHEDULES

Please check page 5 in the bulletin for the mass schedules.

5. 2019 CALENDARS —

The 2019 calendars are now available. One per family in English, Spanish or Polish. Pick yours up today!

6. BAPTISMAL PREP CLASSES

There will be no Baptismal Prep classes offered during the month December. Please call the Parish Office for any questions.

7. PARISH OFFICE — HOLIDAY HOURS

The Parish Office will close at 1 pm on Thursday, December 20th for a staff function. On December 24th & 31st the office will be open from 9-1 pm; CLOSED all day December 25,26 and January 1st . School offices are closed from December 21^{at} and will reopen January 7th .

9. SHARE THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS—

We will once again offer our children a chance to give a gift to the children of our Maternity BVM Parish. At our Family Mass at 3:00 pm on Christmas Eve you are asked to bring a wrapped toy marked boy or girl and the approximate age. These gifts will be shared to the Maternity BVM parish for their celebration of Epiphany. The need is real and the gifts are most appreciated so please be generous.

POINSETTIA MEMORIAL

DONATE and help us to beautify Transfiguration Altar for Christmas. With your donation we will remember a loved one in one mass during this holyday season.

If you are interested in participating, please fill this form and drop it in the collection basket with the correct amount.

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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 24, 2018
(Christmas Eve)

- ✘ 3:00pm — English
- ✘ 6:30pm — Español
- ✘ 10:00pm — English

Tuesday, December 25, 2018
(Christmas Day)

- ✘ Pólnoc — Po polsku
- ✘ 8:00am — English
- ✘ 10:00am — English
- ✘ Półudnie — Po polsku

Wednesday, December 26, 2018
(Day After Christmas)

- ✘ 8:00am — English
- ✘ 7:00pm — Po polsku

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 31, 2018

—Santa Maria, Madre de Dios—

- ✘ 6:30pm — Español

Tuesday, January 1, 2019

—Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God—

- ✘ 9:00am — English
- ✘ Półudnie — Po polsku

Readings & Mass Intentions

LECTURAS Y INTENCIONES

MSZE ŚW TYGODNIU

Monday, December 24—Christmas Eve

✠ 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 / Lk 1:67-79

- 3:00 pm †Robert Dembski / †Joanne Post
 6:30 pm Those Living with Chronic Pain
 10:00 pm The People of Our Parish

Tuesday, December 25—The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

✠

- 12:00 am Those Who Have No One to Pray for Them
 8:00 am †John E. LaPoint / †Alejandro Paniagua
 10:00 am The People of Our Parish / †Gene Lukasil
 12:00 pm All Nations Leaders

Wednesday, December 26—St. Stephen

✠ Acts 6:8-10;7:54-59 / Mt 10:17-22

- 8:00 am The Souls in Purgatory / †Gene Lukasil
 7:00 pm Pray to End Abortion

Thursday, December 27—St. John

✠ 1 Jn 1:1-4 / Jn 20:1a,2-8

- 8:00 am †Gene Lukasil

Friday, December 28—The Holy Innocents

✠ 1 Jn 1:5—2:2 / Mt 2:13-18

- 8:00 am †Gene Lukasil

Saturday, December 29—Fifth Day in the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

✠ 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

✠

- 5:00 pm Vocations
 6:30 pm Those Seeking Employment
 7:30 am †Theresa Solimini / The People of Our Parish
 9:00 am The Souls in Purgatory / †Victor Schiffer / †Robert McDonough
 11:00 am For All Deacons Preparing for the Priesthood
 12:30 pm Those in the Military

CALENDARIO SEMANAL

KALENDARZ TYGODNIOWY

Sunday, December 23

- 8:00 am AA Meeting (closed)—YH
 2:00 pm Art and Environment: Decorating—CH

**Monday, December 24: Christmas Eve
No School-Winter Break**

- 6:30 am Journeymen Prayer Group—MR1
 1:00 pm Parish Offices Closed
 3:00 pm Nativity Pageant (SOR)—CH

**Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day
No School-Winter Break; Parish Offices Closed**

- 7:30 pm AA Meeting (closed)—YH

Wednesday, December 26**No School-Winter Break; Parish Offices Closed**

- 8:30 am Confessions—CH
 6:30 pm Youth Ministry—YH
 6:30 pm Spanish Ministry—Sp. Min. Ofc
 7:00 pm Liturgy—MR1

Thursday, December 27: No School-Winter Break

- 8:30 am Confessions—CH
 6:00 pm Weight Watchers—MR1,2
 6:00 pm Rosary Making—Sp. Min. Ofc
 7:00 pm All Choir Rehearsal—CH

Friday, December 28: No School-Winter Break

- 8:30 am Confessions—CH
 6:00 pm Mandolin & Guitar Rehearsal—CH
 7:00 pm Coro Hispano—CH

Saturday, December 29: No School-Winter Break

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Parish Information

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PRAY FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

RECIEN BAUTIZADOS

NOWO OCHRZCZENI

Let's welcome the newly baptized to our parish!

December 16, 2018

CONNOR MICHAEL HURCKES

Son of Jeffrey & Hannah

MAKSYMILIAN VICTOR GLOD

Son of Robert & Inga

MIGUEL ANGEL CERVANTES

Son of Hugo & Maria

You are now God's children...

1John 3:1



FAITHFUL DEPARTED

OREMOS POR LOS DIFUNTOS

MÓDLMY SIĘ ZA TYCH CO ODESZLI

"Come, you who are blessed by my father, says the Lord, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

**Cathy Majewski, Bryan Calhoun,
Philip Cone, Clara Atkins
& Dorothy Sutherland**

**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.
And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.**

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

AMEN



Welcome to the Christmas celebration here at Transfiguration Parish. We are delighted that you and your family have chosen to take a few moments on this Holy Day to worship the Lord with us.



Merry Christmas,

While we desire to show the love of Christ throughout the entire year, I can't think of a better season than during Christmas to fully display God's love for one another!

While Jesus was here on this earth, His heart's desire was to show what the love of his Father was really like as he went about healing the sick, setting the captive free, and bringing salvation and deliverance to anyone who would accept the free gift.

While we have just come out of the season of Thanksgiving, I believe it is imperative for us to continue to be thankful for the love God has bestowed upon us. This love serves as an example for you and I as we live in a world that can often be the tremendous challenge to the Christian.

For the one who really wants to live for Christ, there will be obstacles and opposition coming from many directions. Yet even with all of that God has called each one of us to display the love of God to a lost and dying world.

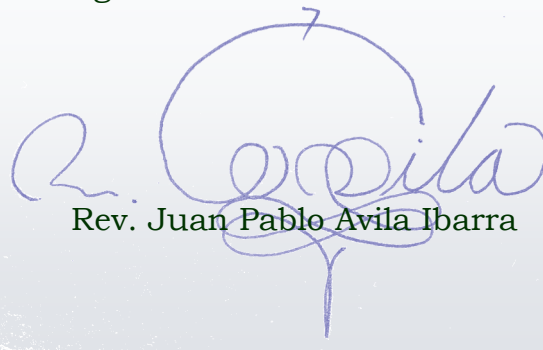
While we desire to have as many people as possible to come to the church, our greater desire is that the church, which is God's people, would go to the world. One thing I have found is that people are often far more receptive to the message of the gospel when we share it in love and not condemnation.

As you are out and about be sure to ask the Holy Spirit to show you people in need, and then respond to His leading accordingly. Jesus came so that you and I would not only have life but that we would have it more abundantly.

I would encourage you on Christmas morning, if you are not already in the habit of doing so, read the Christmas story to your family. Be sure to take the time to read about this magnificent display of the love of the Father.

May God richly bless you during this Christmas season!

In God's Love,



Rev. Juan Pablo Avila Ibarra



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

Joy To The World

Worship Hymnal # 353

I. GREETING

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Assembly: And with your spirit

Penitential Act

Gloria

Mass of Light

David Hass

COLLECT / OPENING PRAYER

II. LITURGY OF THE WORD

Worship Hymnal # 892

First Reading

—IS 9:1-6

* After the Reading:

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Christmas Eve: Worship Hymnal # 49

Christmas Day: Worship Hymnal # 55

Second Reading

—TI 2:11-14

* After the Reading:

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

—LK 2:1-14

* Before the Gospel, an acclamation is sung.

ALLELUIA

* Before the Gospel:

Priest: The Lord be with you

Assembly: And with your spirit.

* After the Gospel:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

Assembly: Praise to your, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Profession of Faith

Prayer of the Faithful

III. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

What Child Is This

Worship Hymnal # 387



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Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The priest says the Prayer over the Offerings and all respond: **AMEN**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: It is right and just.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Mass of Light

David Hass

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Light

David Hass

CONCLUDING DOXOLOGY & AMEN

Priest: Through him... for ever and ever.

Assembly: AMEN

IV. COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said... for ever and ever.

Assembly: AMEN

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Assembly: And with your spirit

Lamb of God

Mass of Light

David Hass

Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION SONG

Night of Silence / Silent Night

Worship Hymnal # 371 & 372

The rite concludes with the Prayer after Communion to which all respond: AMEN



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V. CONCLUDING RITES

Greeting and Final Blessing

Priest: The Lord be with you

Assembly: And with your spirit.

The blessing may be a simple or solemn form.
All respond to the blessing or to each part of the
blessing: **AMEN**

Dismissal

Priest: Go and announce the Gospel of the
Lord.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF DISMISSAL

Angels We Have Heard On High Worship Hymnal # 361

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly swinging o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains

Gloria In Excelsis Deo
Gloria In Excelsis Deo

Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heav'nly song?

Gloria In Excelsis Deo
Gloria In Excelsis Deo

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria In Excelsis Deo
Gloria In Excelsis Deo





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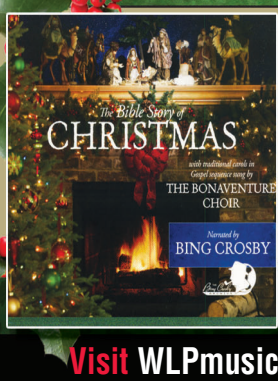
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Next week's mass ministers Dec. 29 & 30, 2018

Thank you for ministering at our weekly worship. Your attentive participation enhances the celebration for everyone.

| PRESIDER, DEACON, Host Ministers | Cup Ministers | Altar Servers | Greeter, Lector, Commentator & Music Ministry |
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| 5:00 pm English Language Mass S A T U R D A Y | | | |
| FR: JUAN PABLO TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 6:30 pm Spanish Language Mass | | | |
| FR: JUAN PABLO <u>Lilian Ruano</u> <u>Bayron Ruano</u> Maria Corona | DC. JOSE Valentina San Gabriel Javier Reyes Jorge Mendez Fabian Galicia | Eddy Gonzalez Josue Guerrero Liliana Perez Vanessa Esquivel | L1: Ana Maria Ortiz Ps: Ana Maria Ortiz L2: Genoveva Perez Ps: Dc. Jose |
| 7:30 am English Language Mass S U N D A Y | | | |
| FR: JUAN PABLO TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 9:00 am English Language Mass | | | |
| FR: JUAN PABLO TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 11:00 am English Language Mass | | | |
| FR. LEO TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 12:30 pm Polish Language Mass | | | |
| FR. LEO Zofia Decowska Piotr Wierzbicki | DC. FELIKS Anna Janicki Krystyna Talaga | | C: Adam Brak L1: Mieczyslaw Talaga L2: Marek Chmiel |

(NM) Denotes New Minister (may need assistance)

Name **Bold**—Denotes Captain

Name Underlined - Denotes Minister requested to assist in purification of vessels after mass.