



# ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace! — St. Francis*

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*Sunday, December 27, 2020*

*Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds*

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow. Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

8:00 AM - "*Come All Ye Faithful*"

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## **READING I - Jeremiah 31:10-14**

“Hear the word of the Lord, you nations; proclaim it in distant coastlands: ‘He who scattered Israel will gather them and will watch over his flock like a shepherd.’ For the Lord will deliver Jacob and redeem them from the hand of those stronger than they. They will come and shout for joy on the heights of Zion; they will rejoice in the bounty of the Lord—the grain, the new wine and the olive oil, the young of the flocks and herds. They will be like a well-watered garden, and they will sorrow no more. Then young women will dance and be glad, young men and old as well. I will turn their mourning into gladness; I will give them comfort and joy instead of sorrow. I will satisfy the priests with abundance, and my people will be filled with my bounty,” declares the Lord.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 97:1,6,11-12**

***R/ A light will shine on us this day:  
the Lord is born for us.***

The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; let the many isles be glad. The heavens proclaim His justice, and all peoples see his Glory.

***R/ A light will shine on us this day:  
the Lord is born for us.***

Light dawns for the just; and gladness for the upright of heart. Be glad in the Lord, you just, and give thanks to His holy name.

***R/ A light will shine on us this day:  
the Lord is born for us.***

## **READING 2 - Titus 3:4-7**

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: The Lord is King, in splendor robed: robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## **GOSPEL - Luke 2:15-20**

When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to one another: “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this event which the Lord has made known to us.” They went in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the baby lying in the manger; once they saw, they understood what had been told them concerning this Child. All who heard of it were astonished at the report given them by the shepherds.

Mary treasured all these things and reflected on them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, in accord with what had been told them. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*R/: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

OFFERTORY HYMN -

*"The First Noel"*

COMMUNION HYMNS -

*"Shpherd Me, O God"*

RECESSIONAL - *"Let There Be  
Peace on Earth"*



# St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

## LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS...

"Put on, then garments that suit God's chosen and beloved people: compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience. Be tolerant with one another and forgiving, if any of you has cause for complaint: you must forgive as the Lord forgave you. Finally, to bind everything together and complete the whole, there must be love. Let Christ's peace be arbiter in your decisions, the peace to which you were called as members of a single body. Always be thankful. Let the gospel of Christ dwell among you in all its richness; teach and instruct one another with all the wisdom it gives you."

— Colossians 3:12-16

## HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR 2021! A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

The new year, like a new born child, is placed in our hands as the old year passes away. The days and weeks to come are God's gift; they carry God's blessing. As a blessing we welcome them. Our hope for the year ending is that all that was good in it remain with us and all that was harmful especially the Corona Virus COVID-19 be left behind.

## LET THERE BE 'PEACE'!

Since January 1st is a day for praying for peace, the Prayer of St. Francis suits this day; Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Good Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

## UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

December 27<sup>th</sup>

In Memory of James Sikorski  
offered by Patricia Sikorski

In Memory of Ann Prekopa  
offered by Andrew & Terry Prekopa

In Memory of Bridget Hart  
offered by Dennis & Maryann Hart

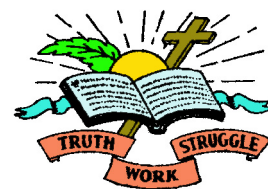
January 3<sup>rd</sup>

For God's blessing and health  
for our family in USA and in Poland  
offered by Fr. Andrzej & Monika

For good health and peace in 2021  
for all St. Francis family and friends  
offered by Joni & John Blenn

St. Francis PNC Church sincerely thanks you for your donation.

*God Bless us & those we hold dear!*  
*Happy, Healthy,*  
*Blessed & Prosperous*  
*New Year to all!*



*Take a moment out and pray...*

† † † † † † PRAYERS † † † † † † †

**Health Needs:** Lord God, Jesus, our Savior, Mary and all the Saints, we ask you to bring peace and your healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen.

**Health Needs of:** All who have the Coronavirus & Debbie Marciano, Beverly Hester, Gregory Klein, Jim Richards, Richard Majewski, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Sophia Kyriakakis, Billy Murphy, Helen de la Sota, Jeff Curtis, Ottavia Daquino, Linda Frysztacki, Daniella Vasquez, Bill & Ann Siebuhr, Blanca Vasquez, Iris Cafran, John Luis Vasquez, Eileen McChesney, Peter Rapanaro, Dennis Erb, Rosemary Rosen, Jay Lasker, Joe Glovack, Carla Calabrese, Janis Siebuhr, Debbie Granaldi, Joan Paczkoski, Ray Aliosi, Jimmy & Elena Capuano, Louise & Anthony Kuzniewski, Jorge Juan Vasquez, Jessica Arrubla & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

**Requiem Intentions for faithfully departed:**

Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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