



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa

IN POLONIA

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PARISH CLERGY

DUCHOWIEŃSTWO PARAFIALNE

Father Mark Miller • Pastor.....fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com
 Deacon Jim Sniadajewski.....dcn.jim@sacredheartpolonia.com
 You may reach Father Miller for both emergency and non-emergency situations by calling the parish office number 715-600-6942 at any time of the day.

PARISH OFFICE

BIURO PARAFIALNA

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00am–3:00pm
 Friday: 9:00am–1:00pm • Closed on Wednesdays
 • Please note that the parish office will be closed daily from 11:15-11:45am for lunch.

PARISH STAFF

PRACOWNICY PARAFII

Administrative Assistant.....Susanna Lepak ext. 100
 School Principal.....Dawn Cisewski ext. 160
 Basement Kitchen.....Barb Lepak (715-600-0396)
 Coordinator of Religious Ed.....Debbie Riske (715-340-4626)
CCD@sacredheartpolonia.com

CONFESSION

SPOWIEDŹ ŚWIĘTA

Thursday: 7:30am–8:00am Friday: 7:30am–8:00am
 Saturday: 2:45pm–3:45pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

ADORATION

ADORACJA EUCHARYSTYCZNA

Thursday: 7:00am–8:00am
 Friday: 7:00am–8:00am at Saint Mary's in Custer
 First Friday: 8:45am–3:00pm at Saint Mary's in Custer

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CHRZEST

Please contact the parish to schedule a baptism class and request a date for the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

MAŁŻEŃSTWO

Couples requesting the celebration of Marriage should contact the parish at the time of formal engagement or at least six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

MSZE ŚWIĘTE

Monday, December 1 – *Feria*

Tuesday, December 2 – *Feria*

8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
 †Richard & Linda Konkol by Family

Wednesday, December 3 – *St. Francis Xavier*

8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Louise Betro by Darlene & John Laska

Thursday, December 4 – *St. John Damascene*

7:00–8:00am Adoration—St. Mary's
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—St. Mary's
 8:15am Mass—Sacred Heart
 †Emmerick, Emil & Angie Wojtalewicz by Dave W.

Friday, December 5 – *Feria*

No Adoration—St. Mary's
 7:30–8:00am Confessions—St. Mary's
 8:15am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Bette Maslowski by Pat & Family
 8:45am Silent Adoration—St. Mary's
 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/Closing Benediction—St. Mary's

Saturday, December 6 – *St. Nicholas*

8:15am Mass—MSDI Convent (Collective Intention)
 †Richard Konkol by Gary & Sue Wiza
 †Kuffel & Gagas Families by Family
 †Bob & Gladys Wiza by Mike & Judy Yenter
 †Beverly Stanczyk by Nancy Dulak
 †Jeanette Kaminski by Ernie & Carol Kezeske

2:45–3:45pm Confession—St. Mary's

4:00pm Anticipatory Mass—St. Mary's
 †Chester & Joyce Kowal by Bob & Barb Groholski

Please note

Sunday, December 7 – *Second Sunday of Advent*

8:00am Mass—Sacred Heart
 Sacred Heart & St. Mary's Parish Families
 10:00am Mass—St. Mary's
 †Edwin & Verona Herek by Family

A WORD FROM FATHER

SŁOWO OD PASTORA



"Come, Sun and Savior, to embrace our gloomy world, its weary race, as groom to bride, as bride to groom: The wedding chamber, Mary's womb. At your great Name, O Jesus, now all knees must bend, all hearts must bow; all things on earth with one accord, like those in heaven, shall call you Lord. Come in your holy might, we pray, redeem us for eternal day; defend us while we dwell below from all assaults of our dread foe." (8th C. Advent Hymn)

LAST WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

DAROWIZNY

Adults: \$5,989
 Youth: \$10
 Loose: \$273
 Total: \$6,272
 Vigil Lights: \$203
 Sanctuary Lamp: \$100
 Flowers: \$405
 School Donation: \$2,500
 Renovation Fund: \$100
 Boiler Fund: \$230

Nov Budget: \$28,830
 Nov to Date: \$25,456

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." -Hebrews 13:16



Scrip: \$4,195 | \$146

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

POSŁUGI LITURGICZNE

Altar Server

December 6: 4:00 pm St. Mary's
 December 7: 8:00 am Andrew, Caleb & Christopher

Hospitality

December 6: 4:00 pm St. Mary's
 December 7: 8:00 am Volunteer Ushers

Readers

December 6: 4:00 pm St. Mary's
 December 7: 8:00 am Chris Parker

Wellington:

Father Miller

PRAYER REQUESTS

PROŚBY MODLITEWNE

Let us remember the following in our daily prayers:

Austin James, Brittany Olivia, JD Wysocki, Dave Grawey, Megan Rose, Jennifer Lepak, Agnes Milanowski, Ernie Kurszewski, Jerry Lepak, Theresa Pliska, Vanessa Lawson, Randy Schulist, Dorothy Gagas, Newton Family, Gail Tepp, Rhody Bushman, Leonard Schulist, Bruce & Patt Roberts, Taylor Groshek, Betty Kowalski, Karen Liebe, Kenny Rozek, Debbie Repinski, Patsy Filtz, Marilyn Sobish, Connie Lepak, Judy Zdroik, Todd Borski, Cheryl Dodde, Melanie Liebe

If you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.



SACRED HEART NEWS • OGŁOSZENIA PARAFIALNE



MAGNIFICAT Subscriptions: The deadline for submitting your subscriptions to the office is this week. After the January 2026 issue, there will be a renewal period. You will pay \$39.00 instead of the regular \$49.00 for a yearly subscription. You can pick up your copy at the parish every month. Please fill out the order form below and return it to your parish office by December 3rd with your \$39 payment made payable to Sacred Heart Parish if you would like to reserve or renew your subscription. By December 3rd, parishioners of St. Mary's should make their checks payable to St. Mary's and turn in their payments.

MAGNIFICAT ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Parish: _____

Qty: _____

Enclosed: \$ _____

(Please return this form to your parish office by December 3rd)

Magnificat Advent Companions are available at the entrances of the church. Please feel free to take a copy.

Magnificats. Also, if you ordered a Magnificat for the month of December they are available to be picked up at the entrances of the church. ~ Thank you

Flame of Love Holy Hour. We meet to pray a special Rosary and prayers **every** Monday at 6:30 pm, in the church at Sacred Heart. **We are pleased to announce that we will also have Eucharistic adoration during our Holy Hour every first Monday of the Month, The Flame of Love** is a powerful Movement of Grace that Our Lord requested to be spread throughout the world. Please join us and discover the powerful promises of the **Flame of Love!** Everyone is welcome. Please use the handicap entrance.



*The Virgin Mary said: During the month of November, at the recitation of each Hail Mary, **ten** souls will be freed from purgatory. Suffering souls must also feel the effect of grace of the Flame of Love of my Mother's heart.*

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

AKTUALNOŚCI KATECHIZMU

Wednesday, December 3rd

Classes begin with prayer in the church at 6:15pm.
 Parents—please stay and join us in prayer!

PARISH MEETINGS

SPOTKANIA PARAFIALNE



PCCW. Monday, December 8th @ 1:00pm—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.



Holy Name Society. Sunday, December 14th @ 9:00am—Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Sacred Heart PCCW is very grateful for the \$750 check from St. Ann 306 Foresters, who assisted in sponsoring their October pizza sale. The pizza sale's revenues will be utilized to replace Sacred Heart's kitchen flooring.



Mass location change. The Mass for Saturday, December 6th at 4:00pm will be held at St. Mary's due to their annual potluck dinner. Confessions will be from 2:45pm-3:45pm at St. Mary's that day.

Masses for Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

December 8th—8:15am at Sacred Heart
December 8th—6:00pm at St. Mary's

A Holy Day of Obligation is observed on this Patronal Feast Day. On that day, please be sure to attend Mass at Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, or any nearby church.

BINGO Senior Bingo. It will take place after the morning Mass on Thursday, December 18th. If you would like to stay for lunch, please call 715-600-0396 to get in touch with Barb Lepak.

Remembrance Tree. Sacred Heart will be continuing the beautiful practice of remembering our loved ones who have passed with our "Remembrance Tree". The Remembrance Tree will be decorated with ornaments having the names of those we want to remember in a special way this Christmas. This will be an inside tree located at the church entrance which will be lit on Christmas Eve. The suggested donation is \$3 per ornament. Please no more than 2 names per ornament. **Please drop your donation, along with the name of your loved one(s) in the collection basket (or mail it to the parish office) by Thursday, December 18th.** The ornaments will be labeled with your loved ones name. The ornaments will be left next to the Remembrance Tree the weekend of December 20th/21st for you to hang your own special ornaments on the tree.

Oplátky. The parish will have available traditional Polish Christmas Wafers, oplátky. There is no need to search out your own supply as we have both white and pink versions.

Holy Name and PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women Christmas Annual Christmas Party—January 4th, 2026. We invite all parishioners to this Christmas Party. Social starts at 11:00am with the meal being served at noon. The meal will be partly catered, and the other main items will be made in the kitchen. We are asking that salads and desserts be potluck by anyone interested. The cost is \$5.00 per person to attend. Please contact Arleen Gross at 715-341-3645 or Judy Wroblewski at 715-592-4864 by December 22nd to make your reservation. A raffle will be held. Any donations would be appreciated.

SANCTUARY LAMP

WIECZNA LAMPKA



The Church prescribes that the sanctuary lamp should shine permanently near the tabernacle in the church. By it, the faithful are reminded of the presence of Christ and the light itself is a profession of their love and affection. This week, the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of:

Lilla & Wrycza Families

SCHOOL NEWS

WIADOMOŚCI SZKOLNE



Sacred Heart School is asking all parishioners to complete a short, anonymous survey regarding your experiences and perceptions of the school. Your honest feedback is important as we work to enhance our school, services, and community. Please complete the survey found at the church entrances. Completed surveys can be returned to the parish office or placed in the collection baskets. **We ask that surveys be completed and returned no later than December 19th.** Thank you for helping us shape the future of our school community!

What Is Going On At Sacred Heart School? This week, our students worked on the second step in our Advent project which was putting the ornaments on our Giving Tree.



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 **The Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)** will be having a Christmas Cookie Bake Sale on December 13th from 2:30 - 5:30pm and on December 14th from 7:00 - 9:30am. Get your favorite variety of cookies for \$13.



SACRED HEART CHURCH
CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

12/13/25- 2:30 - 5:30 pm | 12/14/25 7-9:30 am

7379 Church St. Custer, WI 54423
715-572-7247

AREA EVENTS • WYDARZENIA LOKALNE

Light up for Christ. Crib Blessing at Knights of Columbus Clubhouse: Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:30pm. Fr. Jeffrey Hennes will bless the crib and will be joined by the Pacelli Band and Choir. Ceremony will last about 15-20 minutes followed by Hot Chocolate and snacks in the downstairs Hall. Please join us at the KC Clubhouse, 401 W Clark St - just across the Clark St Bridge.

 **Knights of Columbus** will be having their next meeting on Tuesday, December 2nd @ 5:00 pm - Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

Evenings of Hope with Sarah Hart at St. Anne. Nationally acclaimed composer and presenter Sarah Hart will present a three-night Advent series at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 1, 2 and 3 at St. Anne Parish, 700 W. Bridge St., Wausau. All are welcome!

AREA EVENTS • WYDARZENIA LOKALNE



"That Man Is You" men's group is every Tuesday. Starting with breakfast at 6:00am, followed by a video presentation and small group discussion, ending at 7:30am. The meetings will be held at the usual location, Sacred Heart Church in Polonia, just east of Stevens Point.

December 6th – Take & Bake Chicken Pot Pie and Mini White Chocolate Pumpkin Cheesecake Sale at St. Wenceslaus Parish (Milladore) from 2 to 4pm.



Gazebo/Convent Gift Shop. Convent GIFT SHOP HOLIDAY SEASON HOURS:
The INSIDE Convent Gift Shop will be open 1-3 pm for your shopping the 4 Saturdays before Christmas - - 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20. Take advantage of this opportunity by entering the front Convent entrance where a volunteer will assist you from 1-3 pm these Saturdays. Check out locally hand-made items plus many unique gifts. NOTE: The GAZEBO Gift Shop remains open daily dawn to dusk.

- **Convent Chapel.** The MSDI invites you to participate in Vespers Service (evening prayers beginning with rosary) every Sunday at 5:00pm. **The inside Convent Gift Shop can be accessed immediately before or after the Sunday Vespers Service as well as before or after First Saturday morning Mass.**
- **Carpenter and Painter Needed.** Two areas in our convent are leaking water, and we need a carpenter to fix them. We're also looking for a painter. In exchange for your service, we will compensate you.



Special Invitation

The congregation of
THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE DIVINE IMAGE (MSDI)
Catholic Diocese of Bomadi
Cordially invites you To the

FINAL RELIGIOUS PROFESSION OF VOWS
of her beloved sister
Sr Mary Justina Ifeyinwa OSUMUNE

By His Excellency
MOST REV. GERARD W. BATTERSBY, D.D.
Bishop Of The Catholic Diocese Of La Crosse

DATE: DECEMBER 8, 2025

VENUE:
SACRED HEART PARISH POLONIA, USA.
MASS: 10:00AM

R.S.V.P Sr Rosemary Essien Mother Ugochi
Med. Dr. Louise Smyth Vivian Ozurumba
Tel: 7153402006 (Call or text) Foundress (MSDI)

35th Annual Cookie Walk. St. Joseph Family Center, 1709 Wyatt Ave., Stevens Point on Saturday, December 6th, from 9:00am to 11:00 am or until sold out.

St. Peter Parish Family Life presents their 22nd Annual Christmas Cookie Walk on Saturday, December 13th from 7:30am - 10:30am at Kolbe Hall - Stevens Point.



Wellington Place at Whiting Advent Giving Tree

**Sponsored by Sacred Heart School
and St. Mary Immaculate Conception and Sacred Heart Churches**

During the Advent season, as we prepare to receive the coming of our Lord at Christmas, we have the opportunity to show God's love in giving to others who are in need. This year's Advent Giving Tree will be for the residents and facility of Wellington Place at Whiting. In March 2019, Sacred Heart along with St. Mary's was assigned to sponsor the spiritual care for this facility. Wellington Place is a 501(c)3 non-profit community whose main goal is service, not making a profit. All donations are fully tax-deductible and used exclusively for the benefit of their residents. In the church's gathering area, there is an Advent Giving Tree on which tags are hung with specific gift requests for the residents of Wellington Place and the facility itself. We ask that you please remove a tag, purchase the item listed, and deliver the gift either under the Advent Tree or to the Parish Office by **Friday, December 19th**. Monetary gifts can be given to the Parish Office or placed in the church drop box located at the front of Sacred Heart School. Wellington Place greatly appreciates all contributions given to them, and we thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Baby Dolls
Black out bingo prizes
Puffcorn/Cheetos
Packer items
Nail Polish/ nail care kits
Hair ties/ brushes
Toothbrushes & Toothpastes
Body wash
Washcloths
Lotions

Soda (Diet Coke, Sprite, Dr. Pepper,
Orange, Root Beer)
Fake plants/flowers
\$10 - \$25 Gift Cards
Potholders (Facility Item)
Cooking Pans (Facility Item)
Spatulas (Facility Item)
Small dessert plates (Facility Item)

*** Please think about buying Scrip from the parish office or after the weekend Masses if you intend to donate gift cards.**

How it works



You buy a gift card

You get the full value.



The brand gives back

No extra money comes
out of your pocket.



Your organization earns

Impacting what
matters most to you.

