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Solemnity – Baptism of our Lord - “C”
Uroczystość Chrztu Pańskiego

January 13, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

Holy Mass – 11:00AM – Traditional liturgy in English

Today, January 13th – Solemnity – Baptism of our Lord – Christmas Season Ends

Jesus makes His first public appearance, and is baptized in the Jordan. The Father recognizes Him as His beloved Son and He is anointed by the Holy Spirit.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for deceased members of Cichocki and Mallick families... (All Souls).

♣ Collection for Seminary.

^ Annual Parish Meeting.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:14-20; **Tue.**, Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28; **Wed.**, Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39; **Thu.**, Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45; **Fri.**, Hebrews 4:1-5.11; Mark 2:1-12; **Sat.**, Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17

MONDAY, January 14th - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

TUESDAY, January 15th - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, January 16th - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, January 18th - **St. Peter's Chair in Antioch – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins**

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 20th – **II Sunday in Ordinary Time**

11:00AM – Holy Mass intention: for sp. Sophie, Albert, Michael Bobbin... (All Souls).

Today's liturgy

ASPERGES – **Pokropisz mnie** Panie hyzopem, a będę oczyszczony, obmyjesz mnie, a nad śnieg będę wybielony. Zmiłuj się nade mną Boże, według wielkiego miłosierdzia Twego. Chwała Ojcu i Synowi i Duchowi Świętemu, jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Matthew 3:16-17; Psalm 72:13)

V. After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, for Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased.”

R. He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world, without end. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN – **Shepherds Heard An Angel Say** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 33

1. Shepherds heard an angel say, “Christ is born for you this day.” Bethlehem, in this lowly, little town, there was born without renown, Lord of creation.
2. Now the shepherds could behold What this joyous news foretold. So with haste they went on to Beth'lem town. Infant Jesus there they found; Joseph with Mary.

I Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11

The messenger of God announces that the Lord is coming with power.

GRADUAL (Isaiah 2:4)

V. He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks;

R. One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.

II Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

God has saved us through the cleansing waters of baptism.

ALLELUIA (Psalm 114:3-4)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

V. The sea beheld and fled; the Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs of the flock.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-16. 21-22

Jesus is baptized and receives the Holy Spirit and His Father's acknowledgment.

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, come, let this be Your home; come and dwell among all of us who sing this song. Come into this place, shine on ev'ry face, fill us with Your love and grace, Holy Spirit come. Come and dwell among us. Amen.

OFFERTORY (Romans 6:3-4)

V. Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were indeed buried with Him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

COMMUNION VERSE (Mark 10:38b)

V. Can you drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?

May the heavenly Father help you to grow in faith, hope and love.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Feb. 11th Pastor's meeting – Middleport, PA (1:00PM)

Apr. 27th Seniorate Council Meeting – Edwardsville, PA (1:00PM)

May 30th Corpus Christi Service – Frackville, PA (7:00PM)

Sep. 29th 90th Anniversary of Organizing St. John the Baptist PNCC in Hazleton, PA

Oct. ... 90th Anniversary Celebration of Organizing SS. Peter & Paul PNCC in McAdoo, PA.

SHENANDOAH

Jan. 13th Annual Parish Meeting

Feb. 13th Ash Wednesday – 6:00PM

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** of the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 7:00PM)

Feb. 3rd Annual Parish Meeting after 11:00AM Holy Mass

Feb. 13th Ash Wednesday – 7:30PM

May 18th First Holy Communion Day (Saturday)

May 30th Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU very much to our Parishioners and Friends for their donations, time and hard work this week to

better our parish and Church. The Sunday greeters, the people working on fundraisers, the decorators, repair and maintenance people, and members of the choir.

THANK YOU for our church operational fund donations: **Mr. & Mrs. James Panco, Mr. Frank Gill, Mr. Jan Cegielski, Mrs. Eugenia Tyrrell, Mr. Lance Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Savitsky, Mrs. Mary Stukas, Mr. Julian Bednarek, Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes, Mr. John Golba, Mrs. Diane Jellen, Mr. Edward Ryszka Jr., Mrs. Cecelia Zomczyk, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky, Ms. Helen Menzyk, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Ms. Susan Bobbin.** When you make a check for donations, please make it out to: **Holy Ghost PNCC.**

THANK YOU to **Joe Karvois** and **Dylan Whitecavage** for their help at the altar last year.

PLEASE CALL FR. ROBERT - ..if you or your relative are admitted to a hospital and nursing home; ..if your telephone number or **address change**; ..if you have a prayer concern.

PASTORAL VISIT & HOME'S BLESSING 2013 is completed. Thank you for your nice words and all donations. If I missed someone, and you'd like your home to be blessed, please contact Fr. Robert as soon as possible.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Bogumił Czaja**, his family and parishioners of St. Francis Parish in McHenry, IL.

THE PARISH MEMBERSHIP – to keep our parish membership list up to date – please pay your dues during the fiscal year, a deadline is December 31, 2013. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Helen Menzyk – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. Dolores Halaburda. *Providence Palace Drums, PA* - Violet Cegielski. *Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)* - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221).



HOSPITAL VISIT. If you, or a member of your family, are hospitalized or enter a long-term nursing facility, please personally or through a closest family member contact Fr. Robert. I will visit a sick member upon his or his family notification. Please remember that with privacy laws, the Parish is often not informed when someone enters. Please call the rectory so Fr. Robert can come for prayer.

SHOPPING at “REDNER” REMINDER – We would like to remind our Parishioners and Friends that if you go shopping at *Redner's* please use your “Redner's card” for purchase. When you will do it the Parish can get a credit – Thank you!



WELCOME OUR VISITORS – We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship!



CONFESSIONS FOR THE YOUTH – Our younger members as well as their parents are reminded that Confession is an essential part of a child's religious upbringing. Remember this important part of their religious life. Confession is held on the **first Sunday** of every month at **10:45AM** (before Mass). Children before Confirmation age should come to **private** Confession. If children (until Confirmation) would like to receive the Holy Communion in a worthy manner they must come for private confession at least once a month. If other times are necessary please contact Fr. Robert.

RECEIVING THE HOLY EUCHARIST – those who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist are invited to partake of this Holy Sacrament. It is the practice of the PNCC to distribute the Holy Eucharist through the method of intinction. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue, not in the

hand.

MEMBERS DUES 2013. Since January 2005, a change was made that eliminated the ‘family plan’ method for paying Church dues. This change was voted upon and approved at the last General Synod.

Each adult member will now be recorded as an individual unit. This means every adult member is now responsible for his/her own dues. To continue to be a member at the Holy Ghost Parish and a member of the Polish National Catholic Church each adult will be responsible for paying the following:

Total dues for 2013 per Adult Member: \$95.00 Per Year

The parish itself has an obligation to pay dues according to the number of active members to the General Church and Diocese and our financial administration distributes these monies also as directed by the General Synod. A breakdown of where these dollars are sent is available upon request.

There are also many other funds within your parish that require your attention and need your donations:

Sunday Collection, Fuel Fund, Cemetery Fund, Clergy/Pension Fund, Easter Donations, and Christmas Donations.

GOSPEL SUMMARY

Peter Pan never grows up; and there are people like him who remain immature.

Jesus at His baptism identifies with His people, and is commissioned by the Holy Spirit for His task of bringing justice to the nations.

The disciples are called to commit themselves to the risen Christ through baptism.

Christians are invited to grow up in their faith by living out the promises they made in baptism they made in baptism and by sharing in the life of the Trinity.

