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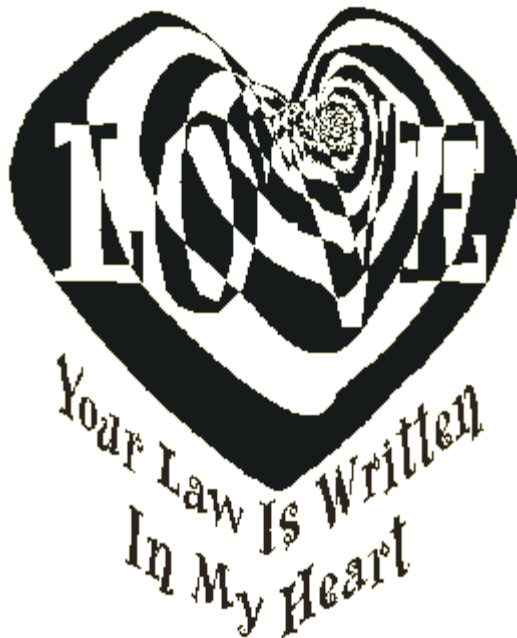
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**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"**

Druga Niedziela Zwykła

**January 19, 2014**

Lord, I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and Your Church will grow.

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, January 19<sup>th</sup>** – II Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Jesus begins His public life, the links with the Christmas season we have just celebrated are clear. He is, in the words of Isaiah, the light of the nations who will bring God's salvation to the ends of the earth.

**11:00AM – Holy Mass** intention: for all **Parishioners**.

## WEEKDAY READINGS:

**Mon.**, 1 Samuel 15:16-23; Mark 2:18-22; **Tue.**, 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Mark 2:23-28; **Wed.**, 1 Samuel 17:32-33.37.40-51; Mark 3:1-6; **Thu.**, 1 Samuel 18:6-9. 19:1-7; Mark 3:7-12; **Fri.**, 1 Samuel 24:3-21; Mark 3:13-19;  
**Sat.**, Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18

**MONDAY, January 20<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

**TUESDAY, January 21<sup>st</sup>** - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville; intention: for Christian Unity.

**THURSDAY, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

7:00PM – Prayer Service for Christian Unity in Frackville – **First United Methodist Church** (S. Balliet Street)

**SATURDAY, January 25<sup>th</sup>** – **Conversion of St. Paul** – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

*The conversion of Saul of Tarsus while he was on his way to Damascus is one of the most touching miracles in the history of the early Church. It shows us how faith comes from grace and from one's free cooperation. The doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ receives proof and a clear illustration when Christ says, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" We should realize that the best way to hasten the unity of all Christians is to foster our own daily personal conversion.*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

**NEXT SUNDAY, January 26<sup>th</sup>** – **III Sunday in Ordinary Time**

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

### 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 (Isaiah 42:1)**

V. Here is My Servant Whom I uphold, My chosen One with Whom I am pleased.

**R. Upon Whom I have put My Spirit; He shall bring forth justice to the nations.**

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.**

**I Reading: Isaiah 49:3.5-6**

*The chosen one of God is the light of the nations who will bring salvation to the ends of the earth.*

**GRADUAL (Isaiah 49:8-9a)**

V. Thus says the Lord: in a time of favor I answer you, on the day of salvation I help you, to restore the land and allot the desolate heritages.

**R. Saying to the prisoners: Come out! To those in darkness: Show yourselves!**

**II Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3**

*St. Paul's greeting to his community is of grace and peace in the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**ALLELUIA (Isaiah 61:1a)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: John 1:29-34**

*The chosen one of God will baptize with the Holy Spirit.*

## 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.

May our hearts be enlivened by God's living touch.

### COMING EVENTS

#### GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 29<sup>th</sup>–Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> General Synod of the PNCC (Erie, PA)

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

Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parish Meeting

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Pastors Seniorate Meeting (1:00PM)

March 19<sup>th</sup> Lenten Ecumenical 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.

**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.

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS** – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

**On Sunday, February 2**, the Holy Mass will be celebrated at **9:30AM** due the Annual Parish Meeting in Frackville.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Edward Czudak**, his family and parishioners Heart of Jesus Parish in Bayonne, NJ.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for: Bishop John Mack – Very Rev. Wiesław Pietruszka - Helen Menzyk – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. Dolores Halaburda. **Providence Palace Drums, PA** - Violet Cegielski. **Ridgeview (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.

**2014 HOME BLESSINGS** is completed. Father Robert says **THANK YOU** for the very nice WELCOME, great atmosphere and for all donations! If I miss someone and you would like your home to be blessed, please call the rectory during this week to schedule a day.

**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.

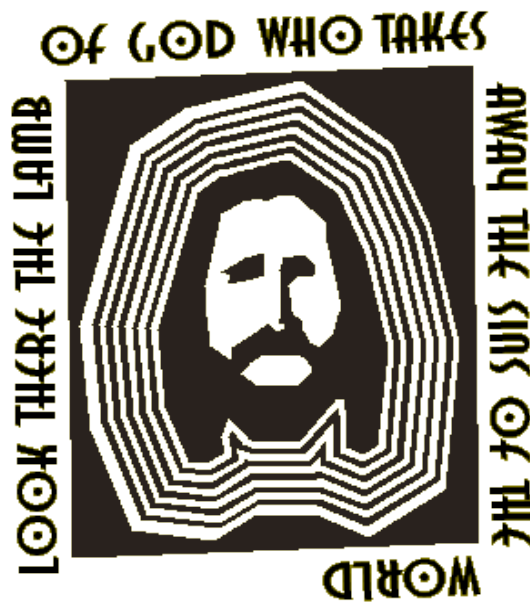
**RECEIVING THE HOLY EUCHARIST** – those who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist are invited to partake of this Holy Sacrament. It is the practice of the PNCC to distribute the Holy Eucharist through the method of intinction. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue,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

**MEMBERS DUES 2014.** 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 2014 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.



**PARISH INFORMATION.** **Daily Masses** as announced. Examples of the Mass intention are: for the Sick, in remembrance of the faithful departed (especially parents, grandparents, relatives...), to ask God’s Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries (...) To make arrangements, please contact Father Robert.

**Holy Day Masses** are held as announced in the bulletin.

**Sacrament of Baptism** – Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior the ceremony. Only **practicing Christians** should be chosen as **godparents**.

**Sacrament of Matrimony** – Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

**Emergencies, Sickness and deaths** – please contact to the rectory immediately.

**The parish bulletin** - is made on **THURSDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.

