

Holy Ghost Parish

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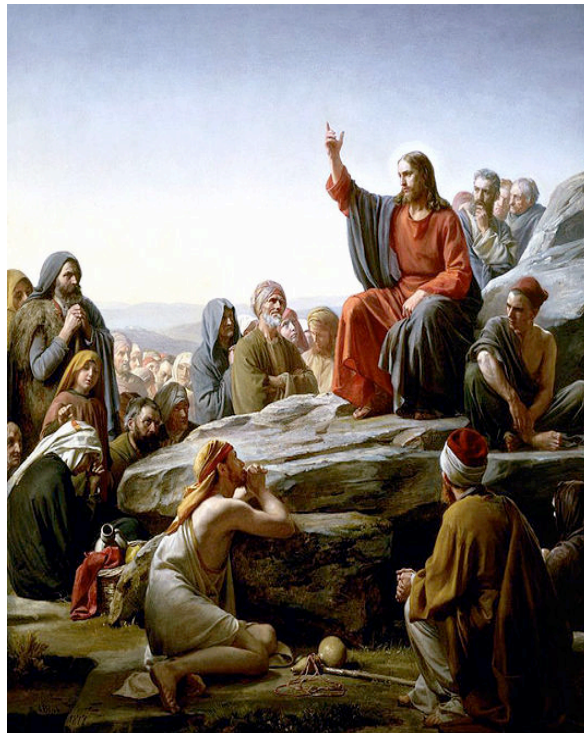
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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “A”

Czwarta Niedziela Zwykła

January 30, 2011

“Live your best, and act your best, and think your best each day, for there may be no tomorrows.”

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, January 30th – IV Sunday in Ordinary Time – Music Scholarship Sunday

We are blessed by God in our ordinary humanity. This is how God has made us. As we learn the ways of gentleness and mercy we come closer to God.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Jan Sroka**.

- Collection for Music Scholarships.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Hebrews 11:32-40; Mark 5:1-20; **Tue.**, Hebrews 12:1-4; Mark 5:21-43; **Wed.**, Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40; **Thu.**, Hebrews 12:18-19.21-24; Mark 6:7-13; **Fri.**, Hebrews 13:1-8; Mark 6:14-29; **Sat.**, Hebrews 13:15-17.20-21; Mark 6:30-34

TUESDAY, February 1st – *Weekday*

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Bp. Valentine Gawrychowski** (77th anniversary), of. by Fr. Robert.

WEDNESDAY, February 2nd - **Solemnity – Presentation of the Lord**, (*Blessing of candles*)

This feast was first observed in the Eastern Church as “The Encounter”. In the sixth century it began to be observed in the West: in Rome with a more penitential character and in France with solemn blessings and processions of candles. It is popularly known as “Candlemass”. The Presentation of the Lord formally concludes the celebration of the Nativity; with the offerings of the Virgin Mother and the prophecy of Simeon, the events now point toward Easter.

9:30AM – Holy Mass in **Shenandoah**; intention: for all **Parishioners**

11:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville

FRIDAY, February 4th - First Friday in the month

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for sp. **Rev. Francis Szczesny** (27th anniversary), of. by Fr. Robert.

5:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for **Victoria Plichta** (health and God's blessing) of. by parents.

SATURDAY, February 5th - *Weekday*

10:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Albert** and **Helen Smith**, of. by Children.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 6th – **V Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Jan Sroka, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky.

- Collection for missions.

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 (Psalms 32:1-2)

V. Happy is the sinner whose fault is removed, whose sin is forgiven.

R. Happy those to whom the Lord imputes not guilt, in whose spirit is no deceit.

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: Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

Seek integrity and humility as the way of the Lord.

GRADUAL (Psalms 25:9-10)

V. The Lord guides the humble rightly, and teaches the humble the way.

R. All the paths of the Lord are faithful love toward those who honor the covenant demands.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God chooses those who are weak by human reckoning.

ALLELUIA (Psalms 112:1)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in God's commands.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The blessings of the Lord are for those who follow His ways.

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 the Father grant you strength and goodness in your lives. May the Son heal you and raise you up. May the Holy Spirit live within you as the power and life of God.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

June 23rd Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE

Feb. 6th Annual Parish Meeting – after 11:15AM Mass

May 29th Memorial Day Mass (in the church)

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.

NEXT SUNDAY MASS – will be held at **9:30AM** due the Annual Parish meeting in Frackville.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING was held on Sunday, January 9, 2011. The Parish Committee was elected:

Chairman: Mr. Joseph Petrusky

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Frank Gill

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes

Financial Secretary/Treasurer: Mrs. Theresa Petrusky.

Directors: Mrs. Violet Cegielski, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Mr. Stephen Karvois.

Congratulations and May God Bless You!

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

HELP NEEDED – If anyone is interested to help at the altar during our services, and serve as the Lector,

please contact the pastor.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for the **Rev. Scott Hill**, his family, and parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Lilly, PA, and St. Barbara PNCC in Houtzdale, PA.

MASS LITURGY CHANGES – until Easter we will stop shaking hands during the Holy Mass, due flu season.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Feb. 6:** sp. Jan Sroka; **Feb. 13:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **Feb. 20:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **Feb. 27:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **March 6:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **March 20:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **March 27:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **April 3:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **April 10:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **August 21:** sp. William Zamonas Sr.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Crucio – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Ida Socker. **Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)** - Margaret Kruszynski - Edward Ryszka Jr.



Sacrament of Anointing

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.

“Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord...” (James 5:14). If you, or a member of your family are sick and would like to receive the Holy Communion at home, please notify the rectory.

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!

THE MANOR AT WAYMART – a personal care facility, is located in beautiful waymart, PA near the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center. We invite you to contact us at **570-488-6829** or manoratwaymart@echoes.net for rates, room availability, or to arrange a tour of our facility.



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 2011. 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 2011 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, Bleenie Sales (we had a great time last year, come out help out, join in the fun...), Chinese Auction, and Christmas Donations.

PARISH CATECHISM – *What is the principal pain of purgatory?* The principal pain of purgatory is the temporary loss of God. *How long does a soul remain in purgatory?* Each soul remain in purgatory until he has satisfied God's justice for his sins. *What should you do for the people who are in purgatory?* You should have Masses said for them, say prayers for them, and offer up your good works and sufferings for them. *Do the souls in purgatory have any consolations?* The souls in purgatory have no worry about their eternal salvation; they are sure they are going to heaven. They suffer no temptation and cannot commit even the slightest sin. They receive comfort from the prayers and good works of the good people on earth and in heaven.

