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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle "A" Szósta Niedziela Zwykła February 13, 2011

"The Kingdom of Heaven is not only a gift; it is a task."

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

<u>Today, February 13th</u> – VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today our Lord speaks to us about the deeper meaning of the commandments; but the Lord who commands is also the Lord who graciously pardons.

11:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Catherine Marasco, of. by Mrs. Loretta Kovalewski.

• Collection for mission.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Genesis 4:1-15.25; Mark 8:11-13; Tue., Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5.10; Mark 8:14-21; Wed., Genesis 8:6-13.20-22; Mark 8:22-26; Thu., Genesis 9:1-13; Mark 8:27-33; Fri., Genesis 11:1-9; Mark 8:34-9:1; Sat., Hebrews 11:1-7; Mark 9:2-13

MONDAY, February 14th - Weekday 9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, February 16th - Weekday

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. Prime Bishop **Francis Hodur** (58th anniversary), of. by Fr. Robert.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>, February 20th – VII Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Catherine Marasco, of. by the Dopkin family.

Today's liturgy

<u>ASPERGES</u> – 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 34:15-16)

V. Turn from evil, and do good; seek peace, and follow after it.

R. The Lord has eyes for the just, and ears for their cry.

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: Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20

In this life a basic choice has to be made: which is it to be – life or death?

GRADUAL (James 1:13-14)

V. No one experiencing temptation should say: "I am being tempted by God"; for God is not subject to temptation to evil, and He himself tempts no one.

R. Rather, each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

The mysterious wisdom of God is unlike the wisdom of this world. The latter led to the crucifixion of "the Lord of Glory"; the former leads us to glorify the Father in Jesus Christ.

ALLELUIA (John 14:15)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus brings the Law and the Prophets to fulfillment by proclaiming a holiness that reaches down to our deepest selves.

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 Lord who gave us His law of love enable us to live by it in our daily life.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

February 27th Baptism: a daughter of Tammie Whitecavage June 23rd Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE

March 6 th	Annual Parish Meeting after 11:15AM Mass
May 29 th	Memorial Day Mass (in the church)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>THANK YOU</u> 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 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.

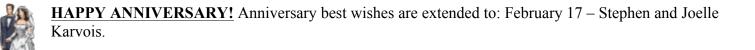
THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Bruce Sleczkowski**, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Family PNCC in McKeesport, PA.

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

<u>UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS</u>: 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.



<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</u> Birthday best wishes are extended to: February 17 – Russel Sincavage Jr., Joelle Karvois.





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



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!

<u>THE MANOR AT WAYMART</u> – 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 <u>manoratwaymart@echoes.net</u> 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: <u>\$95.00 Per Year</u>

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 – *Who is Jesus Christ?* Jesus Christ is the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, true God, and true man. *What is the principal thing that Christ has done for mankind?* By His suffering and death Christ redeemed us and thus regained for the human race the grace lost by sin. *Is Jesus man?* Jesus Christ is true man, the same as you are. He was born on Christmas Day in a stable at Bethlehem over 2000 year ago.

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHRISTIAN?

- A Christian is slow to lose patience and quick to be gracious.
- A Christian looks for a way to be constructive, even when provoked.
- A Christian refrains from trying to impress others with his own importance.
- A Christian practices good manners.
- A Christian is not "touchy", even when insulted.

A Christian thinks the best, not the worst, of others. He is wise as a serpent and harmless as a dove in dealing with others.

A Christian does not gloat over the wickedness of other people.

Above all else, a Christian exhibits the love of Christ in his heart and life.

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 THURSDAY'S and FRIDAYS. All requested announcements should be submitted by FRIDAY