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First Sunday of Lent – Cycle “C”
Pierwsza Niedziela Wielkiego Postu
February 21, 2010

“We don’t need more strength or more ability or greater opportunity. What we need is to use what we have.” –
BASIL S. WALSH

Events for the Week

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

Today, February 21st – First Sunday of Lent

Today Jesus goes into the desert to be tested. At the beginning of Lent we are invited to follow Him so that our faith may be examined and then strengthened by God’s grace.

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

- **Stations of the Cross** after the Holy Mass.
- The second weekly collection – second, third, fourth or fifth Sunday in the month - (after the Holy Mass) is for operation of the Holy Ghost parish – **THANK YOU!**
- Please, turn off your cell phones during the Holy Mass, thank you.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Leviticus 19:1-2.11-18; Matthew 25:31-46; **Tue.**, Isaiah 55:10-11; Matthew 6:7-15;
Wed., Acts 1:15-17.20-26; John 15:9-17; **Thu.**, Esther C:12,14-16.23-25; Matthew 7:7-12;
Fri., Ezekiel 18:21-28; Matthew 5:20-26; **Sat.**, Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Matthew 5:43-48

MONDAY, February 22nd – *Lenten Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, February 24th - Feast – **St. Matthias, Apostle**

(+64). *After the Ascension of our Lord, St. Peter proposed that the disciples select an apostle to take the place of Judas. The choice was Matthias. He worked for the faith in Palestine, and later was stoned to death. Today we are reminded that our Christian vocation is a gratuitous gift from God which we should accept and live out with gratitude and fidelity.*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, February 26th – *Lenten Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

7:00PM – Bitter Lamentations in Frackville – Part 1

SATURDAY, February 27th – *Lenten Weekday*

9:00AM – First Holy Communion Catechism Class in Shenandoah

NEXT SUNDAY, February 28th – **II Sunday of Lent**

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

- Bitter Lamentations part 1 (after the Mass).

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

(Joel 1:14)

V. Proclaim a fast, call an assembly; Gather the elders, all who dwell in the land.

R. Into the house of the Lord, your God, and cry to the Lord!

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: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses commands the people to remember how God saved them from slavery in Egypt so that he might lead them into the Promised Land.

THE GRADUAL

(Proverbs 3:5-6)

V. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence rely not;
R. In all your ways be mindful of Him, and He will make straight your paths.

II Reading: Romans 10:8-13

St. Paul tells us that anyone, Jew or Gentile, who calls in faith upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

THE TRACT

(Jeremiah 27:5; Psalms 24:1)

V. It was I who made the earth, and man and beast on the face of the earth, by My great power, with My outstretched arm; and I can give them to whomever I think fit.

R. The earth is the Lord's and all that it holds, the world, and those who live there.

GOSPEL: Luke 4:1-13

Just as Israel was tested in the desert, Jesus enters into the wilderness to be tested by Satan.

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.

God the Father has called us to the dignity of being His sons and daughters; so may we all have the courage to fulfill our vocation.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Feb. 20th First Holy Communion Catechism Class – 9:00AM
March 20th Flea Market & Food Sale – 8:00AM – 2:00PM
March 21st Lenten Penitential Service (10:45AM)
May 23rd First Holy Communion Day
July 25th Blessing of automobiles at our parking (after Mass)
Sep. 10th “Bleenie” Sale
Oct. 3rd “Chinese” Auction

FRACKVILLE

- Feb.15 – March 21st Easter Egg Sale Project
May 15th Sp. Joseph Payne's funeral Mass (10:30AM)
June 11th "Bleenie" Sale begins (every 2 weeks)
July 25th Blessing of automobiles at our parking (after Mass)
Oct. 2nd Blessing of the animals at the parking (2:00PM)

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

- Apr. 24th Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting (Wilkes-Barre, PA) 1:00PM
June 3rd Corpus Christi Service (Hazleton, PA) 7:00PM
Oct. 11th Pastor's meeting (Wilkes-Barre, PA) 1:00PM

CENTRAL DIOCESE

- March 30th Clergy Conference and Holy Mass of Chrism
Apr. 17th Diocesan Council meeting, Scranton, PA (11:00AM)
June 29th – July 2nd Diocesan Acolyte Retreat

GENERAL CHURCH

- Apr.1-May 2nd Mission & Evangelism Workshop (All Saints Cathedral, Chicago IL)
May 21-22nd 65th Annual YMSofR/PNCC Bowling Tournament (Scranton, PA)
July 26-30th Youth Convo (Monmouth University, NJ)
Sep. 4th Annual YMSofR Track & Field Meet (Scranton, PA)
Oct. 4-8th 23rd General Synod (Canada)

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

THANK YOU very much to **Joe Karvois** for your help at the altar last Sunday (February 14); and to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for snow removing.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: February 26 – Joseph Petrusky.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Curcio – James Panco – Catherine Marasco. *Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)* - Margaret Kruszynski - Connie Sincavage - 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.

“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!

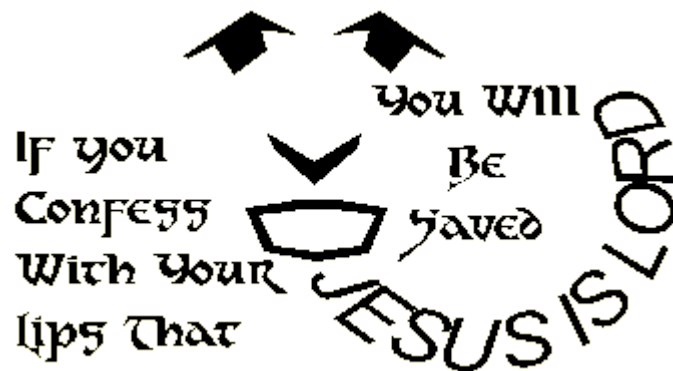


WELCOME OUR VISITORS – We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship!

THE CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **October 3, 2010** in the parish hall. We are asking all parishioners to help with the fundraiser by donating new items for this event.

We are also appealing to you for your help. Everyone’s help is needed especially on the day of the auction.

If you need help with delivering your items to the church, please contact Father Robert and arrangements will be made for pick-up. THANK YOU.



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 is placed on the tongue, not in the hand.

