

## Holy Ghost Parish

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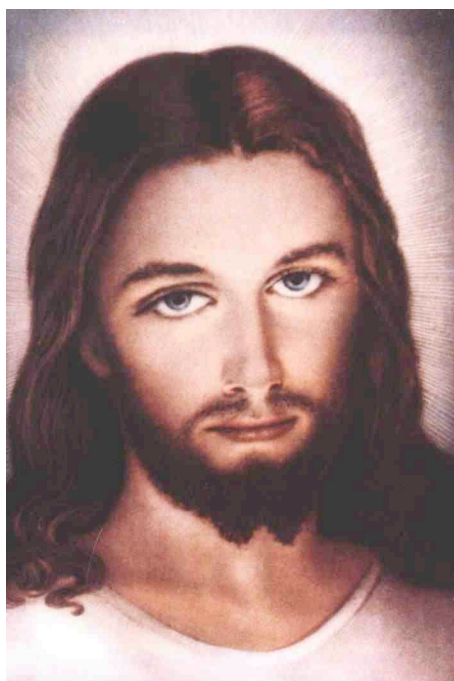
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**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “A”**

Ósma Niedziela Zwykła

**February 27, 2011**

“The Christian life is like an airplane; when you stop, you drop.”

### **EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, February 27<sup>th</sup> – VIII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Our heavenly Father knows our needs and never forgets us. Jesus invites us to trust in our Father's love and care.

**11:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Catherine Marasco**, of. by Robert & Bonnie Aponick.

- **Baptism:** a daughter of Tammie Whitecavage.

### WEEKDAY READINGS:

**Mon.**, Sirach 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27; **Tue.**, Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31; **Wed.**, Sirach 36:1.4-5a.10-17; Mark 10:32-45; **Thu.**, Sirach 42:15-25; Mark 10:46-52; **Fri.**, Sirach 44:1.9-13; Mark 11:11-26; **Sat.**, Sirach 51:12cd-20; Mark 11:27-33

### WEDNESDAY, March 2<sup>nd</sup> – *Weekday*

**9:30AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville.

### THURSDAY, March 3<sup>rd</sup> - *Weekday*

**9:30AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Bishop Daniel Cyganowski** (28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), of. by Fr. Robert.

### FRIDAY, March 4<sup>th</sup> - **First Friday of the month**

**7:30AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for sp. **Very Rev. Edward Abramski**, of. by Fr. Robert.

**10:30AM** – Funeral Service: sp. **Joseph Vernitsky** – Oravitz Funeral Home.

### NEXT SUNDAY, March 6<sup>th</sup> – *IX Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**9:30AM** – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Catherine Marasco, of. by Michelina Piccolo & family.

- Collection for mission.

### **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 77:2-3)

V. Aloud to God I cry; aloud to God, to hear me.

**R. On the day of my distress I seek the Lord. By night my hands are stretched out without flagging; my soul refuses comfort.**

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 49:14-15**

*Isaiah gives a beautiful image of a mother's enduring love for her child. Yet even this is but a reflection of the Lord's love for His people.*

### **GRADUAL** (Isaiah 54:7,8)

V. For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with great tenderness I will take you back.

**R. In an outburst of wrath, for a moment I hid my face from you; but with enduring love I take pity on you, says the Lord, your redeemer.**

### **II Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5**

*Factions had caused problems within the Christian community in Corinth. St. Paul reminds the people that the mission of preaching the Gospel has been given on trust by God.*

### **ALLELUIA** (Wisdom 1:2)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Because he is found by those who test him not, and he manifests himself to those who do not disbelieve him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24-34**

*Jesus tells us not to worry about food, clothing or other material things. Our heavenly Father feeds the birds and adorns the flowers. All that we need will be given to us.*

**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 you cast all your cares upon the Lord and know that He is looking after you.

**COMING EVENTS**

**SHENANDOAH**

June 23<sup>rd</sup> Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

**FRACKVILLE**

March 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting after 11:15AM Mass

May 29<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Mass (in the church)

**PLYMOUTH SENIORATE**

March 7<sup>th</sup> Clergy meeting – Plymouth, PA (1:00PM)

**GENERAL CHURCH**

May 1<sup>st</sup> Thanksgiving Holy Mass in honor of the Prime Bishop Emeritus, Robert Nemkovich (Scranton, PA)

**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** – very much to **Joe Karvois** for his help at the altar.

**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.

**MARCH 6<sup>th</sup> HOLY MASS** – will be celebrated at **9:30AM** instead of 11:00AM, due the Annual parish meeting in Frackville.

**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. Philipp Lavery**, his family, and parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus PNCC in Canonsburg, PA.

**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, 2011. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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

**UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS:** **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.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: February 29 – Jourdin Karvois; March 2 – Natalie MacDonald.



**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](mailto: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 absolutely necessary to get to heaven?* To get to heaven it is necessary to be in the state of grace. *How do you obtain God's grace?* The ordinary way of obtaining God's grace is through the Sacraments. *What is the Sacrament?* A Sacrament is a sign made sacred by Jesus Christ to give grace to one who worthily receives it.

**WHAT TO DO FOR YOUR PASTOR?**

Build his spiritual power by praying for him. When you pray for your pastor, you pray for your church, your community, and your family.

Build his reputation by speaking well of him. All pastors are human; they have weak and strong points. His influence will depend on which of them you stress.

Build his morale by encouraging him. Every pastor needs to be encouraged at times. Encouragement costs so little, yet it means so much!

Build his leadership by cooperating with him. For every great leader, there must be some great followers.

Build his pulpit power by coming to hear him. Full pews challenge a pastor to prepare and deliver great sermons. Empty pews can discourage him.

By far the greatest you can do for your pastor is to follow the Christ who he preaches and exemplifies.

**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**