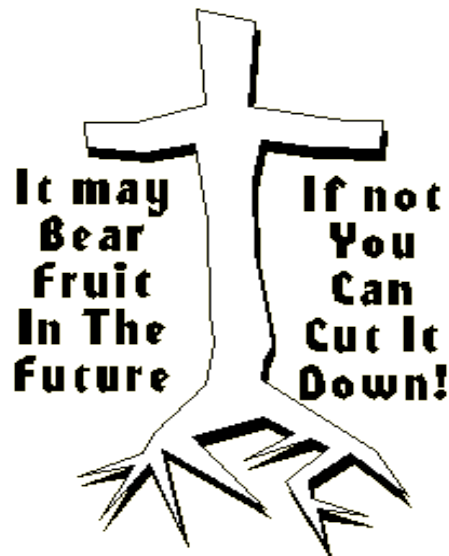


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Third Sunday of Lent – Cycle “C”
Trzecia Niedziela Wielkiego Postu
March 7, 2010

“Once you have learned to love, you will have learned to live.” - UNKNOWN

Events for the Week

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

Today, March 7th – Third Sunday of Lent

This is a season for repentance and reflection upon the direction our lives have taken. God always gives us a second chance to make our lives more productive, serving the kingdom of God.

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., 2 Kings 5:1-5ab; Luke 4:24-30; **Tue.**, Daniel 3:25.34-43; Matthew 18:21-35; **Wed.**, Deuteronomy 4:1.5-9; Matthew 5:17-19; **Thu.**, Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23; **Fri.**, Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34; **Sat.**, Hosea 6:1-6; Luke 18:9-14

MONDAY, March 8th – *Lenten Weekday* – **International Women’s Day**
9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, March 11th - *Lenten Weekday*
9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, March 12th – *Lenten Weekday*
9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.
7:00PM – Bitter Lamentations or Litany of the Passion in Frackville.

SATURDAY, March 13th – *Lenten Weekday*
9:00AM – First Holy Communion Catechism Class in Shenandoah

NEXT SUNDAY, March 14th – *Solemnity – Institution of the PNCC - IV Sunday of Lent*
11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for God’s blessing for members of the Parish Committee and Ladies Blessed Sacrament Society.

- **BEFORE THE MASS** – the Oath of the Parish Committee and Officers of the Ladies Society.
- Bitter Lamentations of Litany of the Passion (after the Mass).
- Collection for National Church Center.
- Daylight Saving Time Begins.

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

(Habakkuk 3:17; Isaiah 3:10)

V. Though the fig tree blossom not nor fruit be on the vines, Yet will I rejoice in the Lord and exult in my saving God.

R. Happy the just, for it will be well with them, the fruit of their works they will eat.

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: Exodus 3:1-8.13-15

The Lord promises to deliver His people from slavery in Egypt and give them a land where they can build fruitful lives again.

THE GRADUAL

(Lamentations 5:19-22)

V. You, o Lord, are enthroned forever; your throne stands from age to age. Why, then should you forget us, abandon us so long a time?

R. Lead us back to you, o Lord, that we may be restored: give us anew such days as we had of old.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6.10-12

St. Paul tells us that God cared for Moses and the people who were delivered from slavery, but they were expected to remain faithful to God.

THE TRACT

(Ezekiel 18:30-31)

V. Turn and be converted from all your crimes, that they may be no cause of guilt for you.

R. Cast away from you all the crimes you have committed, and make for yourselves a new heart and a new spirit.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:1-9

God gives plenty of opportunity for repentance. Without repentance the people will perish.

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 urges us to reconciliation and healing in all our relationships and gives the support of the Holy Spirit.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

March. 13th 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

Until 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.30-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.

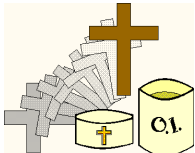
THANK YOU very much to **Mr. Jacob Komara** and **Joe Karvois** for your help at the altar last Sunday (February 28); and to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for snow removal.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: March 10 – Dylan Whitecavage;
March 11 – Connie Sincavage.



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.



Sacrament of Anointing

Robert can come for prayer.

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.

“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.



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 other times are necessary please contact Fr. Robert.



**All Of Our Ancestors
Passed Under The Cloud
Were Baptized In The Sea**

FROM THE CATECHISM of the PNCC – “**Penance** is the sacrament by which all our sins are forgiven through sorrow, confession and a firm resolution to **sin no more**. The priest is a minister of the Sacrament of Penance. To receive the Sacrament of Penance worthily we **must**: 1) examine our conscience; 2) be sorry for our sins; 3) make a firm resolution to sin no more(!) 4) confess our sins before a priest; 5) perform the penance which the priest gives us.

FROM THE CATECHISM of the PNCC – “ We must **examine our conscience** in order to call to mind the sins we have committed since our last confession and to awaken sorrow for having offended God. We should examine our conscience by recalling the sins we have committed in thought, word, deed and omission: 1) against the Commandments of God; 2) against the Commandments of the Church; 3) against the duties and obligations of our moral life.

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.