

## Holy Ghost Parish

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### **Third Sunday of Lent – Cycle “A”**

Trzecia Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

**March 27, 2011**

“Your religion will do more for you if you fo more for it.”

### **EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

#### **Today, March 27<sup>th</sup> – III Sunday of Lent**

During Lent we pray with and for those being baptized and received into the Church at Easter. The loving water that Jesus gives us cleanses us from sin and fills us with new life in the Holy Spirit.

**11:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Catherine Marasco**, of. by Mr. Leonard Schumack.

- Stations of the Cross after the Mass.

## 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 28<sup>th</sup> - *Lenten Weekday*

7:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Rev. Filip Kedzierski** (+1955), of. by Fr. Robert.

### TUESDAY, March 29<sup>th</sup> – *Lenten Weekday*

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

### WEDNESDAY, March 30<sup>th</sup> - *Lenten Weekday*

7:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for earthquake victims in Japan.

### FRIDAY, April 1<sup>st</sup> - **First Friday of the month**

7:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for sp. **Rev. Boleslaw Sikorski** (+1975).

7:00PM – Bitter Lamentations/Litany of the Passion in Frackville.

### NEXT SUNDAY, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – **IV Sunday of Lent**

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Catherine Marasco, of. by Anita & Marty Dwyer.

- Bitter Lamentations/Litany of the Passion.

## **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 42:2-3; Psalm 63:2)

V. As a deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for You, o God. My being thirsts for God, the living God. When can I go and see the face of God?

**R. O God, You are my God – for You I long! For You my body yearns; for You my soul thirsts like a land parched, lifeless, and without water.**

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 17:3-7

*The people of the Lord put Him to the test to see if He is with them or not.*

### **GRADUAL** (Psalms 78:15-18)

V. He splits rocks in the desert, gave water to drink, abounding as the deep. He made streams flow from crags, drew out rivers of water.

**R. But they went on sinning against Him, rebelling against the Most High in the desert. They tested God in their hearts, demanding the food they craved.**

### **II Reading:** Romans 5:1-2.5-8

*The greatest sign of God's love is for us that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.*

### **THE TRACT** (Psalms 42:2-3; Psalm 63:2)

V. On the last and greatest day of the feast, Jesus stood up and exclaimed, “Let anyone who thirsts come to Me

and drink.

**R. Whoever believes in Me, as scripture says: ‘Rivers of living water will flow from within him.’”**

**GOSPEL: John 4:5-42**

*Jesus gives living water to those who believe in Him.*

### 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 lift you up with His love. May the Son heal all that is broken within you. May the Holy Spirit quench you thirst with His gift of life.

### COMING EVENTS

#### SHENANDOAH

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Penitential Service (10:45AM)

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

#### FRACKVILLE

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Penitential Service (8:30AM)

May 14<sup>th</sup> Wedding (1:30PM)

May 21<sup>st</sup> Seniorate Council meeting

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

June 10<sup>th</sup> Bleenie Sale begins

July 24<sup>th</sup> Automobiles Blessing (after the Holy Mass)

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> Blessing of Animals (2:00PM) ??

#### PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

May 21<sup>st</sup> Seniorate Council meeting (1:00PM – Frackville.

#### GENERAL CHURCH

Apr.29-May 1 ANS National Convention

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** and **Dylan Whitecavage** for their help at the altar.

**MEMORIAL FUND – Sp. JOSEPH VERNITSKY:** Mary & Ron Lusavage, Jan, Mary Ann and Violet Cegielski, Joan Krystopolski, Dorothy Kowalonek, Theresa Labosky, Stephen Brady, Stephen Oravitz. Thank 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. Zbigniew Kozar**, his family, and parishioners of St. John the Baptist in Toronto, Canada.

**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:** **May 8:** all Mothers; **April 3:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **April 10:** sp. Catherine Marasco; **May 29:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **June 5:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **June 12:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **July 31:** Joseph Vernitsky; **August 21:** sp. William Zamonas Sr. *Please, do not order the Holy Mass intentions in July 2011.*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Crucio – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Claire Mallick – Violet Cegielski. *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.

**GENERAL CHURCH NEWS** – The Supreme Council of the PNCC cordially invites you to attend a Mass of Thanksgiving and Reception in honor of the **Most. Rev. Robert M. Nemkovich**, Prime Bishop Emeritus of the PNCC – **Sunday, May 1, 2011** – Holy Mass **4:00PM** in St. Stanislaus Bishop & Martyr Cathedral. Reception **6:00PM**, Dinner **6:30PM** in Hilton Scranton & Conference Center. Adults: **\$40.00**, Children: **\$15.00**.

**ST. STANISLAUS PNCC** – in Scranton, PA is planning on conducting a monthly bingo, the first being held on **Sunday, May 22, 2011** between **2:00PM and 5:00PM**.

**PNCC CENTRAL DIOCESE WEB-SITES:** (Scranton Seniorate)

St. Mary's PNCC – Duryea, PA – [www.saintmaryspncc.org](http://www.saintmaryspncc.org)

GuardianAngel Parish–LosAngeles,CA – [www.santoangelcustodio.org](http://www.santoangelcustodio.org)

All Saints Parish – Johnson City, NY – <http://allsaintsncc.org/>

St. Stanislaus PNCC – Scranton, PA - <http://saintstanislauspncc.org/>

Holy Mother of Sorrows PNCC – Dupont, PA - [www.hmsepncc.org/](http://www.hmsepncc.org/)

St. Francis – Denver, CO - <http://francisassisipncc.org/>

**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 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**