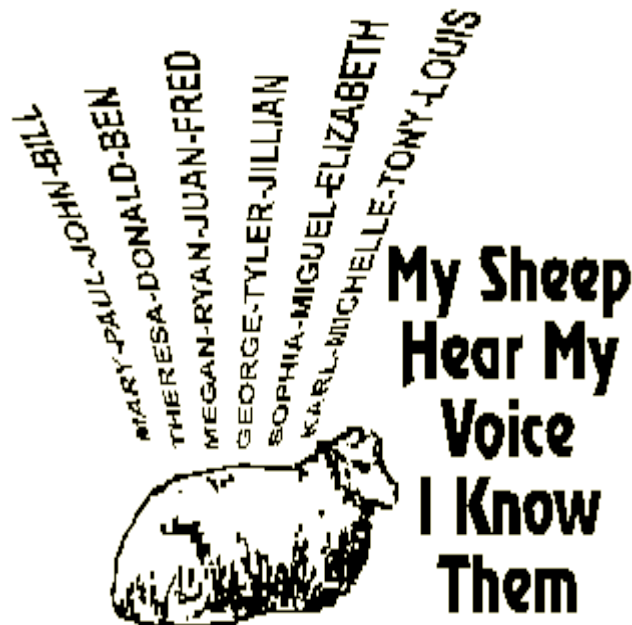


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Fourth Sunday of Easter - "C"
Czwarta Niedziela Wielkanocna

April 21, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, April 21st – Fourth Sunday of Lent – the Good Shepherd Sunday

Jesus the Good Shepherd invites us to listen to His voice so that He may lead us to good pasture and restful waters, where our drooping spirits are revived and where we are refreshed to continue our earthly pilgrimage.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Jan Zaborowski**, of. by Mr. Julian Bednarek.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10 or John 10:11-18 (“A”); **Tue.**, Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30; **Wed.**, Acts 12:24 – 13:5a; John 12:44-50; **Thu.**, Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20; **Fri.**, Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6; **Sat.**, Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14

MONDAY, April 22nd - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass for health in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, April 24th - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for the peace of the world.

FRIDAY, April 26th - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass for America in Frackville.

SATURDAY, April 27th - *Easter Weekday*

1:00PM – Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting in Edwardsville, PA

5:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 28th – V Sunday of Easter

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

Today's liturgy

ASPERGES (PNCC Hymnal p. 5) – **Widziałem wodę** – Płynącą ze świątyni z prawego boku, alleluja, alleluja, alleluja. A wszyscy, których tknęła woda, uzdrowieni są i rzekną: Alleluja, Alleluja, Alleluja. Wyznawajcie Pana, albowiem dobry, ponieważ na wieki miłosierdzie Jego. Chwała Ojcu, i Synowi, i Duchowi Świętemu. Jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków, Amen. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Ezekiel 34:31; Psalms 79:13)

V. You, My sheep, you are the sheep of My pasture, and I am your God, says the Lord.

R. Then we, Your people and the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever; through all generations we will declare Your praise. Alleluia.

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: Acts 13:14.43-52

Paul and Barnabas meet local opposition to the message of Christ and so widen their audience to proclaim to the pagans the hope of eternal life.

GRADUAL (Isaiah 40:11)

V. Like a shepherd He feeds His flock; in His arms He gathers the lambs. Alleluia.

R. Carrying them in His bosom, and leading the ewes with care. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 7:9.14-17

The Lamb of God enthroned in the new Jerusalem leads those who believe to springs of living water where they find peace and joy.

ALLELUIA (1 Peter 5:4)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

V. And when the Chief Shepherd is revealed, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. For He is our God, and we are the people He shepherds, the flock He guides.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:27-30

Jesus the Good Shepherd promises the gift of eternal life to those who trust 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.

OFFERTORY VERSE (Jeremiah 3:15)

V. I will appoint over you shepherds after My own heart, who will shepherd you wisely and prudently. Alleluia.

COMMUNION VERSE (Psalms 119:175-176)

V. Let me live to praise You; may Your edicts give me help. I have wandered like a lost sheep; seek out Your servant, for I do not forget Your commands. Alleluia.

May you who share in the death and resurrection of Christ through baptism follow Jesus the Good Shepherd more closely and so live on earth that you may be united with Him in heaven.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Apr. 27th Seniorate Council Meeting – Edwardsville, PA (1:00PM)

May 30th Corpus Christi Service – Frackville, PA (7:00PM)

Sep. 29th 90th Anniversary Celebration of Organizing St. John the Baptist PNCC in Hazleton, PA

Oct. ... 90th Anniversary Celebration of Organizing SS. Peter & Paul PNCC in McAdoo, PA.

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** of the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 7:00PM)

May 18th First Holy Communion Day (Saturday 10:00AM)

May 30th Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

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, and to **Mr. Stephen Karvois** for watching the parish property.

THANK YOU very much for all kind of help and assistance which Fr. Robert's family received from our Parishioners.

PLEASE CALL FR. ROBERT - ..if you or your relative are admitted to a hospital and nursing home; ..if your telephone number or **address change**; ..if you have a prayer concern.


THIS WEEK PRAYER: for the **Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky**, his wife, and those to whom he serves.
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, 2013. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for Helen Menzyk – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. Dolores Halaburda – Donna Kolwicz. *Providence Palace Drums, PA* - Violet Cegielski. *Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)* - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221).



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.

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!



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 2013. 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 2013 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, 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 **THURSDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PAUL

Saint Paul played a vital role in the development of our faith. It came about because of Jesus' handicap. Christ was not physically or mentally challenged. His problem lay in the people that he had to teach. Most of them had little or no education. They had little experience and probably traveled no more than a few miles from their birthplace. Jesus had to share his teachings from their limited knowledge. He used local illustrations in the form of stories, called parables.

This was a handicap for Missionaries to other areas. They had two ways of doing this. They explain the examples that Jesus used. Or they could develop new parables based on other cultures and languages.

This was Paul's approach. He used illustrations from Greek life and culture, especially sports. So Paul became Jesus' first interpreter--what we now call a theologian.

