

**Holy Ghost Parish**  
**Polish National Catholic Church**  
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**Fourth Sunday of Easter – Cycle “B”**

Czwarta Niedziela Wielkanocna

**April 29, 2012**

“Easter began a new order in an old world and made the old world new.”

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, April 29<sup>th</sup> – IV Sunday of Easter**

Today's liturgy presents Jesus in two of His iconic roles: the cornerstone, without which a building cannot survive; and the Good Shepherd, prepared to die for His sheep. They are unique ways of emphasizing that we can place our complete trust in Him. He will never let us down.

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

♣ **“Chinese” Auction** in Frackville – doors open 12:00, the auction begins 2:00PM. Admission: \$3.00.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, Genesis 1:26-2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15.17.23-24; Matthew 13:54-58; **Tue.**, 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14; **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 30<sup>th</sup>** - Solemnity – St. Joseph the Workman

*In the Gospel Jesus was called “the Son of the carpenter”. This feast reminds us that honest work, no matter how seemingly menial, can be sanctified. Through work we can sanctify ourselves and others, making each of us participants in the work of redemption.*

**9:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville.

**TUESDAY, May 1<sup>st</sup>** - Feast – SS. Philip & James, Apostles

*Like Peter and Andrew, St. Philip was from Bethsaida, in Galilee. According to the tradition, he was crucified at Hierapolis in Phrygia where he had preached the Gospel. He introduced St. Bartholomew (also known as Nathanael) to Christ. Christ declared to Philip, “Whoever has seen me has seen the Father...I am in the Father and the Father is in me”. (John 14:8,11).*

*St. James was a cousin of our Lord. He is often called James the Less, because of Mark’s reference to him as “the younger James” (Mark 15:40). As Bishop of Jerusalem, he wrote one of the epistles of the New Testament. St. James was thrown down from the terrace of the Temple and then stoned to death.*

**7:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville.

**WEDNESDAY, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** - *Easter Weekday*

**7:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville.

**7:00PM – Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary** in Frackville.

**THURSDAY, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross – *Polish Constitution Day*

**7:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville; intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese (God's blessing).

**FRIDAY, May 4<sup>th</sup>** - *First Friday of the Month*

**7:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville** to the Sacred Heart of Jesus; Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus after the Mass. **Adoration** of the Most Blessed Sacrament until **2:00PM**.

**SATURDAY, May 5<sup>th</sup>** - *Easter Weekday*

Sub-Central Convention of the Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (Bethlehem, PA).

**NEXT SUNDAY, May 6<sup>th</sup>** - *V Sunday of Easter*

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

♣ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

♣ Collection for missions.

**Today’s liturgy**

**ASPERGES – Widziałem wodę** – Płynącą ze świątyni z prawego boku, alleluja, a wszyscy, do których zbliżyła się woda owa, uzdrowieni są i rzekną: Alleluja, alleluja; Wyznawajcie Pana, albowiem dobry: ponieważ na wieki miłosierdzie Jego. Chwała Ojcu i Synowi i Duchowi Świątemu, jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

**ENTRANCE (Ezekiel 34:31; Psalm 79:13)**

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

**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 4:8-12**

*St. Peter tells the leaders of Israel that although they rejected Jesus, He is their way to salvation.*

**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: 1 John 3:1-2**

*When Christ appears, we will recognize Him because we have been made the children of God.*

**ALLELUIA (1 Peter 5:4; Psalm 95:7)**

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 10:11-18**

*Jesus is the Good Shepherd, loved by the Father and freely offering up His life on our behalf.*

**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 (Psalm 119:175-176)**

V. Let my soul live to praise You, and may Your ordinances help me. I have gone astray [like a lost sheep]; seek Your servant, because Your commands I do not forget. Alleluia.

**May the Good Shepherd watch over and protect you, and may He be the cornerstone of your lives, the foundation of all that you say, think and do.**

**COMING EVENTS**

**GENERAL CHURCH**

May 18-20<sup>th</sup> 67 ANNUAL PNCC/YMSofR Bowling Tournament (Schenactedy, NY).

June 22<sup>nd</sup> Special Synod of the PNCC (Scranton, PA).

## CENTRAL DIOCESE

May 5<sup>th</sup> ANS Convention in Bethlehem, PA.  
May 6<sup>th</sup> Confirmation in Middleport and McAdoo, PA.  
June 26 – June 29<sup>th</sup> Acolyte Retreat (Waymart, PA)  
Oct. 11-13<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA.

## PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

June 7<sup>th</sup> Corpus Christi Service (Middleport, PA 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** to church operational fund donation: **Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes, Mrs. Helen Menzyk, Mrs. Mary Stukas, Mr. Lance Nelson, Mr. Julian Bednarek, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Savitsky, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Mr. Stanley Sawecki, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky; Ms. Maria Celso, Ms. Diane Jellen, Ms. Susan Bobbin, Mr. Frank Gill, Ms. Melissa Nahas; Anthony and Barbara Ideson; Mr. & Mrs. James Panco.** When you make a check for donations, please make them out to: **Holy Ghost PNCC.**

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

**THANK YOU** very much to our Parishioners who organized and prepared everything ready for the Seniorate Council meeting yesterday.

**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.

**THE SPECIAL CELEBRATION** will be held in our church on **Sunday, June 3.** Father Robert invites **all married couples** from our congregation and friends to participate the service of the Holy Mass with the renewal of their matrimony vows and dedication of families to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Bogusław Janiec**, his wife, and parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish in Hazleton, PA and SS. Peter and Paul Parish in McAdoo, 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, 2012. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: May 1 – Joseph Edmondson.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for Helen Menzyk – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. Dolores Halaburda. **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.

**UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS:** **May 6:** sp. Helena Bednarek; **May 13:** all Mothers; **June 17:** all Fathers; **Aug. 19:** sp. William Zamonas Sr. *Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 1 year. Thank you.*

**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. Also these are our **room rates:** Semi-Private - \$2,097.00; Private - \$2,646.00; Private Deluxe - \$3,087.00.



**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.

**THE PNCC SPECIAL SYNOD** – pursuant to article **VII, LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY, B, THE SPECIAL SYNOD, SECTION 1** of the Constitution and Laws of the PNCC, the Prime Bishop Anthony A. Mikovsky calls a Special Synod for the PNCC to convene at St. Stanislaus Cathedral Youth Center, Scranton, PA, **on Friday, June 22, 2012** with the concurrence of the Supreme Council. The sole purpose of this one-day Synod will be to elect 2 Candidates for Bishop. It will be necessary for each parish to elect lay delegates to this Special Synod. The number of lay delegates to which a parish is entitled is determined by the General Fund Dues submitted for 2011. Mandates and Registration forms may be obtained from the offices of our Diocesan Bishop. The Synod will begin with Holy Mass at St. Stanislaus Cathedral on Friday, June 22, at 8:00AM. After Mass a light continental breakfast will be served in the Youth Center, followed by the election process. Two meal breaks for lunch and dinner, also served in the Youth Center, will be scheduled.

Keep in mind that it is a sacred right that we have to assemble at a Synod to do important work of the Church. Let us remember that the Church has been called into existence by Christ to continue His work. This is a Holy Assembly, and every parish has a moral obligation to send delegates to participate.

**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.

### Polish Proverbs

Nie wszystko złoto co się świeci. Not all that shines is gold.