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**THEY DEDICATED
THEMSELVES TO THE
BREAKING OF BREAD
AND TO PRAYERS**

Second Sunday of Easter – Cycle “A”

Druga Niedziela Wielkanocna

May 1, 2011

“Christ's resurrection gives us a certified Christianity, an accredited salvation.”

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, May 1st – II Sunday of Easter

Today we are called to put our doubts aside and rejoice in Christ's resurrection.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Ida Socker**, of. by Mrs. Violet Cegielski & family.

- Collection for Missions.

- Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

4:00PM – Thanksgiving Holy Mass – Prime Bishop Emeritus Robert M. Nemkovich – St. Stanislaus Cathedral, Scranton, PA

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8; **Tue.**, 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14; **Wed.**, Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21; **Thu.**, Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36; **Fri.**, Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15; **Sat.**, Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21

MONDAY, May 2nd - 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, intention: for God's blessing.

6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee in Frackville.

FRIDAY, May 6th - First Friday of the month

7:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese, of. by Fr. Robert.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 8th - **III Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day**

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Mothers: living and dead.

▲ Litany to the BVM.

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 Świętemu, jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Psalm 40:2-4)

V. I waited, waited for the Lord; Who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia.

R. And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look on in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. 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 2:42-47

The early Christian community gives us an ideal view of what can be achieved.

GRADUAL (Psalm 116:15-16)

V. Too costly in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His faithful. Alleluia.

R. Lord, I am Your servant, the child of Your maidservant; You have loosed my bonds. Alleluia.

II Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

St. Peter calls us to look beyond the problems of the present and live joyfully in the expectation of future glory.

ALLELUIA (Psalm 30:2,4)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

V. I praise You, for You raised me up and did not let me enemies rejoice over me. Lord, You brought me up from Sheol; You kept me from going down to the pit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

Thomas makes the great act of faith: "My Lord and my God!"

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 Lord strengthen your faith in all His promises and fill you with the joy of His abiding presence.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

June 23rd Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE

May 14th Wedding (1:30PM)
May 21st Seniorate Council meeting
May 29th Memorial Day Mass (in the church)
June 10th Bleenie Sale begins
July 31st Automobiles Blessing (after the Holy Mass)
Oct. 1st Blessing of Animals (2:00PM) ??

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

May 21st Seniorate Council meeting (1:00PM – Frackville).

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Apr. 19th Clergy Conference (10:00AM) and Holy Mass of Chrism (4:00PM)
June 5th Installation of Bishop John Mack

GENERAL CHURCH

May 13-15th National Mission & Evangelism Workshop (McKeesport, PA)
May 20-22nd Annual PNCC/YMSofR Bowling Tournament (Parma, OH); Registration closes on April 15, 2011

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.

SUMMER TIME – Father Robert takes his vacation from June 27 – July 27, 2011. In this time we will not

have the church services in our church. All are invited to attend four Sunday's of July (3, 10, 17 and 24) in Frackville.

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 **Bishop Thomas Gnat**, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Manchester, NH.

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.

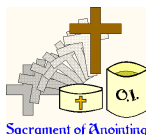
UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **May 8:** all Mothers; **May 15:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **May 29:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **June 5:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **June 12:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **July 31:** Joseph Vernitsky; **August 21:** sp. William Zamonas Sr. *Please, do not order the Holy Mass intentions in July 2011.*



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



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 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.

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 other WEB-SITES:

All Saints Cathedral NCC– Chicago, IL - <http://www.ascpncc.org/>

All Saints parish – Sterling Heights, MI - http://allsaintspncc.org/All_Saints_Parish/Welcome_.html

Blessed Trinity parish – Fall River, MA - <http://www.blessedtrinitychurch.org/>

Holy Cross PNCC – Hamtramck, MI - <http://holycrosspncc.com/>

Holy Family PNCC – McKeesport, PA - <http://www.hfpncc.org/>

Holy Mother of the Rosary PNCC – Lancaster, NY - <http://www.hmrcncc.org/>

Holy Name of Jesus NCC – South Deerfield, MA - <http://www.holynamedeerfield.org/index.html>

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR PARENTS

1. You shall guard your children in your home and on the street.
2. You shall make your home a sanctuary of love and devotion.
3. You shall honor the teachers of your children and teach your children to honor them.
4. You shall not condone the faults of your children through a misguided sense of family loyalty.
5. You shall teach your children respect for the law and keep them from the companionship of children who are disrespectful of the law.
6. You shall not lead your children into temptation by providing them with too much money or too many earthly possessions.
7. You shall enforce decency in the dress of your children.
8. You shall protect the morals of your children from the indiscretion of youthful ardor and inexperience.
9. You shall not judge your children according to the standards of adult behavior.
10. You shall conduct yourself in such a manner as to set an example of imitation by your children.

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.