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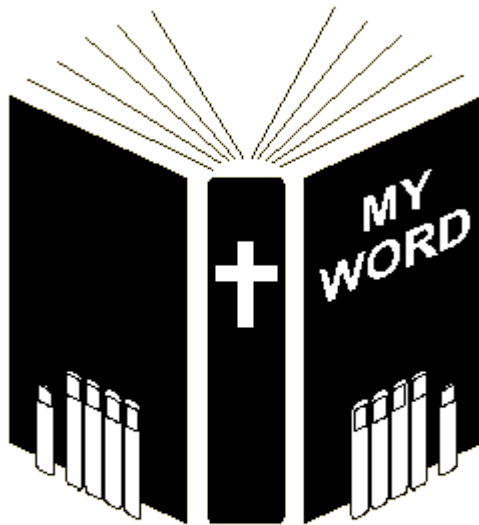
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***Whoever Loves Me
Will Keep It***

Sixth Sunday of Easter - "C"

Szósta Niedziela Wielkanocna

May 5, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, May 5th – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Life is full of change: new situations and decisions, meetings and partings. In all of this the Lord holds before us the promise of His presence, and the hope of the fullness in His love, where there is peace and light.

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

- △ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- △ Collection for missions.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26 – 16:4a; **Tue.**, Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11; **Wed.**, Acts 17:15.22 – 18:1; John 16:12-15; **Thu.**, Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13 or 4:1-7.11-13 or Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23; Luke 24:46-53; **Fri.**, Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23; **Sat.**, Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

MONDAY, May 6th - *Easter Weekday*

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

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

TUESDAY, May 7th - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for Sp. **Jan Zaborowski**, of. by **the Elsavege Family** and **Mrs. Dorothy Halaburda**.

WEDNESDAY, May 8th - *Easter Weekday*

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

THURSDAY, May 9th – Solemnity – Ascension of the Lord

This final stage stays closely linked to the first, that is, to His descent from heaven in the Incarnation. Only the one who came from the Father can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the Father's house, to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, His members, might have confidence that we too shall go where he, our Head and our Source, has preceded us.

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Shenandoah.

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, May 10th - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for Sp. **Bishop Joseph Padewski** (62nd Anniversary of Martyrdom).

SATURDAY, May 11th - *Easter Weekday*

5:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville; intention: for Sp. **Jan Zaborowski**, of. by **Mr. James Abicunas** and **Ms. Elizabeth Greenman**.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 12th – VII Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for **All Mothers**.

- △ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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 (Romans 15:13; Ephesians 2:17)

V. May the Lord of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia.

R. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. 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 15:1-2.22-29

As the first communities of Christians are formed, we hear how differences of opinion emerge, and how they are worked through: by argument, consultation and attentive listening to the Holy Spirit.

GRADUAL (2 Corinthians 13:11; Galatians 6:16a)

V. Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Alleluia.

R. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 21:10-14.22-23

The Lord prepares for all His people a radiant and peaceful future in the new Jerusalem. In the Spirit we catch a glimpse of this promise.

ALLELUIA (Philippians 4:7)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

V. The peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

As Jesus prepares His friends, He promises that the Spirit will be given them, and will bring them peace and courage in all the difficulties and uncertainties that lie ahead.

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 (1 Peter 5:14)

V. Greet one another with a loving kiss. Peace to all of you who are in Christ, alleluia.

COMMUNION VERSE (Luke 2:29-30)

V. Now, Master, You may let Your servant go in peace, according to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation. Alleluia.

May the paths you walk always be directed to the heavenly Jerusalem, our true home in God.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

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.

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 **Father Charles Henderson**, his family, and parishioners of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in San Antonio, TX.

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

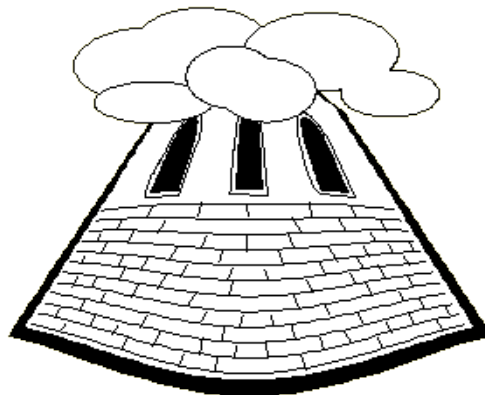
The parish itself has an obligation to pay dues according to the number of active members to the General Church and Diocese and our financial administration distributes these monies also as directed by the General Synod. A breakdown of where these dollars are sent is available upon request.

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.

I AM GOING AWAY

At the Last Supper Jesus announced that he was "going away". The Church interprets this as a reference to the Ascension. Where, exactly, did Jesus go and why? The people of the Middle East took things literally. They believed that heaven was somewhere beyond the sky--which they thought was a dome above the earth. Jesus did not come to teach astronomy, so he rose up into the sky as a way of saying that he was going to something "greater".

Why did he leave? He was probably teaching that his followers should no longer look for physical apparitions. He would remain spiritually with them through his Holy Spirit. This would force the disciples to begin their mission to "go out to all the world and preach the good news."



**The holy city coming down
out of heaven from God**

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.**