

## Holy Ghost Parish

Polish National Catholic Church

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### **Seventh Sunday of Easter – Cycle “A”**

Siódma Niedziela Wielkanocna

**June 5, 2011**

“Spiritual food is needed in hot weather as well as in cool.”

### **EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, June 5<sup>th</sup> – VII Sunday of Easter**

Jesus is the example of true prayer as He prays for God's glory and the good of others.

**11:00M – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Joseph Vernitsky, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rejent.

✠ Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

^ Collection for missions.

**4:00PM – Installation of Bishop John Mack as the Eighth Bishop Ordinary of the Central Diocese.**

### WEEKDAY READINGS:

**Mon.**, Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33; **Tue.**, Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a; **Wed.**, Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19;  
**Thu.**, Acts 22:30. 23:6-11; John 17:20-26; **Fri.**, Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19; **Sat.**, Acts 11:21b-26.13:1-3;  
Matthew 10:7-13

**MONDAY, June 6<sup>th</sup>** - *Easter Weekday*

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

**TUESDAY, June 7<sup>th</sup>** – *Easter Weekday*

**8:00AM** – **Holy Mass** in Frackville; intention: for those who are in Purgatory.

**FRIDAY, June 10<sup>th</sup>** - *Easter Weekday*

**11:00AM** - ? - “Bleenie” Sale in Frackville.

**SATURDAY, June 11<sup>th</sup>** - *Feast – St. Barnabas, Apostle*

*He was a Jew from Cyprus. The Holy Spirit destined Barnabas to a universal mission, as it was he who introduced St. Paul to the other apostles, paving the way for that broad apostolate of St. Paul’s which required the approval of the pillars of the Church. He was with Paul in the first missionary journey and at the first Council of Jerusalem. After having converted many souls to Christ, Barnabas died in Cyprus during Nero’s reign; tradition has it that he was stoned to death.*

**9:00AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville

**NEXT SUNDAY, June 12<sup>th</sup>** - *Solemnity of Pentecost*

**11:00AM** – **Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Joseph Vernitsky, of. by Joseph & Patty Rejent and family.

^ Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

### **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** (Psalms 37:5-6; 130:5)

V. Commit your way to the Lord; trust that God will act and make your integrity shine like the dawn, your vindication like noonday. Alleluia.

**R. I wait with longing for the Lord, my soul waits for His word. 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 1:12-14**

*With prayer and expectant faith, Mary, the Apostles and followers of Jesus await the coming of the Holy Spirit.*

**GRADUAL** (Psalms 37:7a,8)

V. Be still before the Lord; wait for God. Alleluia.

**R. Give up your anger, abandon your wrath; be not provoked, it brings only harm. Alleluia.**

**II Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16**

*St. Peter tells the early Christians to rejoice when they suffer for the sake of Jesus.*

**ALLELUIA (Psalms 37:27-28)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Turn from evil and do good, that you may inhabit the land forever. For the Lord loves justice and does not abandon the faithful.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: John 17:1-11**

*In sublime words Jesus prays that God may be glorified both through Himself and through His disciples.*

### 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 radiance of Christ's resurrection enlighten your lives.

### COMING EVENTS

#### SHENANDOAH

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

#### FRACKVILLE

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

July 31<sup>st</sup> Automobiles Blessing (after the Holy Mass)

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

#### PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

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

**SUMMER TIME** – Father Robert takes his vacation from June 27 – July 27, 2011. In the case of sacramental emergency our parishioners may contact Father Boguslaw Janiec at 570-454-6103 or Father Richard Wosiak at 570-277-6180.

**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 **Father Randolph Calvo**, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Name of Jesus parish in South Deerfield, MA.

**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.

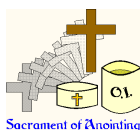
**UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS:** **June 12:** sp. Joseph Vernitsky; **July 31:** Joseph Vernitsky; **August 21:** sp. William Zamonas Sr. **Nov. 27:** sp. Charles Hoppes and Robert Hoppes. *Please, do not order the Holy Mass intentions in July 2011.*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: June 5 – Tammie Whitecavage; June 6 – 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](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.

**THE HOLY GHOST PARISH CONCERNS** - In this blessed land of the United States of America, no community is complete without its House of Worship. For this, full credit must be justly given to the Founding Fathers of our Country. Our forefathers were of a thoroughbred spiritual stock. Being God fearing, religious and church going people they built our national structure upon the foundation of God. Judging by the results, God was with them in all their civic undertakings with a blessing that was as constant as it was generous. If there is any truth whatever in the proverb, “like father, like son,” then it is easy to understand why the present generation intends to keep God in its midst today, tomorrow and forever. To God’s glory and His name the people of the United States have built beautiful temples and churches, large or small, stately or simple,

according to the means of the community and the needs of the congregation they were intended to serve. Inspired with this motive and impelled with this same purpose a group of citizens of Polish descent and emigrants from Poland residing in Shenandoah area united in a resolve to build for them a House of Worship. Early in the 1920's residents of Shenandoah turned for guidance and advice to the Most Rev. Franciszek Hodur in Scranton, PA. An organizational meeting was held in May 1922 in the presence of the Rev. Father Leon Grochowski and the Rev. Father Jan Gritenas who helped to organize the Holy Ghost Polish National Catholic Church. The church records state that the first Mass was celebrated in the Russian Hall on Center Street by the Rev. Father Stanisław Cybulski and for the first time the Mass was celebrated in the Polish language. Later, property was purchased at West Lloyd and Chestnut Streets and a church was built and dedicated in December 1923. In addition to the church building, the parish's property consists of a rectory, cemetery and park. During these formative years, the parish grew in membership and various societies were organized to help with the work of the parish. Among them were the Ladies Adoration Society, The Polish School Society, two branches of the Polish National Union of America - (Spójnia), Young Men's Resurrection Society, the St. Mary's Girls Society and the Frederick Chopin Choir.

Now we are desperately struggle to survive, and to keep our church doors open. ***Dear Parishioners and Friends***, please, take care of your own parish, because we are in danger to close. Our parish family needs you, your assistance and participation: both: spiritually – in time of worship, and financially – to support your own church by your donations. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**DEDICATION** Celebration of the New St. Michael the Archangel National Catholic Church located at 6629 W. 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in Cedar Lake, Indiana, dedication and Holy Mass will be celebrated Sunday, June 26, 2011 at 3:00PM. Banquet to follow at the Great Oaks Banquet Facility at 5:30PM. Dinner reservation Adults \$25.00 per person, children (under the age of 10) are \$ 12.00. Reservations need to be made by contacting Fr. John Kowalczyk at 219-374-8341.

<p><b>Receiving the Holy Eucharist</b> – 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.</p>
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**ST. STANISLAUS PNCC** – the bingo has been rescheduled from Sunday, May 22, 2011 to **Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** from **2:00PM to 5:00P.**

**JUNE IS SACRED VOCATIONS MONTH** – “Each year during the month of June, the PNCC observes Sacred Vocations month. During this month, the Church reminds all of her faithful of the urgent need to pray for the gift of vocations to the Holy Orders. The Church asks all of us to offer special prayers to bless our Church with new vocations. (...) The purpose of this month of Sacred Vocations is to petition God, the Author of every vocation to bless our Church with new priests and deacons who are blessed with strong faith, broad vision and solid academic background. **PLEASE, PRAY FOR AN INCREASE VOCATIONS TO THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD.**” (from “*Teachers Manual – Feasts, Solemnities and observances of the PNCC Customs and Traditions, Scranton, PA 2003*)