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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “C”

Szesnasta Niedziela Zwykła

July 18, 2010

“Remember the Sabbath’s Day to keep it holy applies to vacation Sundays as well as the rest of the year.”

Events for the Week

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

Today, July 18th – XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is one thing in this life, the Lord says – to have an attentive and welcoming heart. May the Lord bless our hearts with this grace.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Geraldine Andrews**, of. by Mrs. A. Balkiewicz.

- The second weekly collection – second, third, fourth or fifth Sunday in the month - (after the Holy Mass) is for operation of the Holy Ghost parish – **THANK YOU!**

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Micah 6:1-4.6-8; Matthew 12:38-42; **Tue.**, Micah 7:14-15.18-20; Matthew 12:46-50; **Wed.**, Jeremiah 1:1.4-10; Matthew 13:1-9; **Thu.**, Song of Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; John 20:1-2.11-18; **Fri.**, Jeremiah 3:14-17; Matthew 13:18-23; **Sat.**, Jeremiah 7:1-11; Matthew 13:24-30

TUESDAY, July 20th – *Weekday*

9:00AM – 4:00PM – Fr. Robert works in the Diocesan chancery.



THURSDAY, July 22nd – **St. Mary Magdalene**

She had seven devils cast out of her by the Lord (Mark 16:9), ministered to him in Galilee (Luke 8:2), was one of the few who remained with Christ during his agony on the cross (Matthew 27:56), and, with two other women, visited his tomb and found it empty (Mark 16:1-8). It was to her that our Lord first appeared after his resurrection (John 20:10-18). He asked her to announce his resurrection to the apostles.

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Father Henryk Jankowski.**

FRIDAY, July 23rd – *Weekday*

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

NEXT SUNDAY, July 25th – *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Ann Kowalonek (Grande), of. by Children.

- Blessing of the automobiles (after the Holy Mass).

Today's liturgy

ASPERGES – **Pokropisz mnie** Panie hyzopem, a będę oczyszczony, obmyjesz mnie, a nad śnieg będę wybielony. Zmiłuj się nade mną Boże, według wielkiego miłosierdzia Twego. Chwała Ojcu i Synowi i Duchowi Świętemu, jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

ENTRANCE

(Matthew 6:33; Proverbs 16:3)

V. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides.

R. Entrust your works to the Lord, and your plans will succeed.

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: Genesis 18:1-10

Abraham welcomes three visitors to his tent and receives the blessing of the Lord.

THE GRADUAL

(Psalms 104:23; 90:17)

V. People go forth to their work, to their labor till evening falls.

R. May the favor of the Lord our God be ours. Prosper the work of our hands!

II Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

St. Paul explains God's purpose to gather the whole world in Christ Jesus.

THE ALLELUIA

(John 8:31b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. If you remain in My word, you will truly be My disciples.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

Jesus visits the home of Martha and Mary.

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, who visits His people, grant you His gift of peace.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

July 25th Blessing of automobiles at our parking (after Mass)

Sep. 12th "Chinese" Auction

Oct. 1st Food Sale

FRACKVILLE

July 23rd "Bleenie" Sale (every 2 weeks)

July 25th Blessing of automobiles at our parking (after Mass)

Oct. 2nd Blessing of the animals at the parking (2:00PM)

Oct. 24th "Chinese" Auction

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Oct. 11th Pastor's meeting (Wilkes-Barre, PA) 1:00PM

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Sep. 11th ANS Convention in Scranton, PA

GENERAL CHURCH

July 26-30th Youth Convo (Monmouth University, NJ)

Sep. 4th Annual YMSofR Track & Field Meet (Scranton, PA)

Oct. 4-8th 23rd General Synod (Canada)

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.

Fr. Robert will be not available from today afternoon (July 18) until Monday (July 19) evening. In the case of emergency, please contact my cell phone: 570-205-3631.

THANK YOU to **Mr. Jacob Komara** and **Joe Karvois** for your help during the Holy Mass last Sunday (July 11).

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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for the **Father Andrew Bieganowski**, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Cross PNCC in Baltimore, MD.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Sp. Geraldine Andrews:** Aug. 1, Aug. 8, Aug. 29, Sep. 5, Sep. 12, Sep. 19, Oct. 3, Oct. 10, Oct. 17, Oct. 24, Oct. 31, Nov. 21, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, Dec. 12, Dec. 19, Dec. 26, Jan. 2, 2011, Jan 9, 2011; **July 25:** sp. Ann Kowalonek (Grande); **Aug. 15:** Thanksgiving Mass; **Aug. 22:** sp. William Zamonas Sr.; **Sep. 26:** Spójnia Members; **Nov. 7:** sp. William and Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 14:** sp. Charles Hoppes; **Jan. 16, 2011:** sp. Susan Bednarek, Helena Bednarek, Julian Bednarek Sr.; **Jan. 23, 11:** sp. Franciszek, Elzbieta Sroka; **Jan. 30, 11:** for John and Dolores Sroka.

Please, do not order the Holy Mass intention until October 2010. If you would like to order the Mass, it will be celebrated in Frackville, during the week.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: July 23 – Russel Sincavage Sr., July 24 – Edward Ryszka Jr.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Curcio – James Panco – Catherine Marasco - Connie Sincavage – Jan Sroka. **Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)** - Margaret Kruszynski - Edward Ryszka Jr.



Sacrament of Anointing

Robert can come for prayer.

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.

“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!

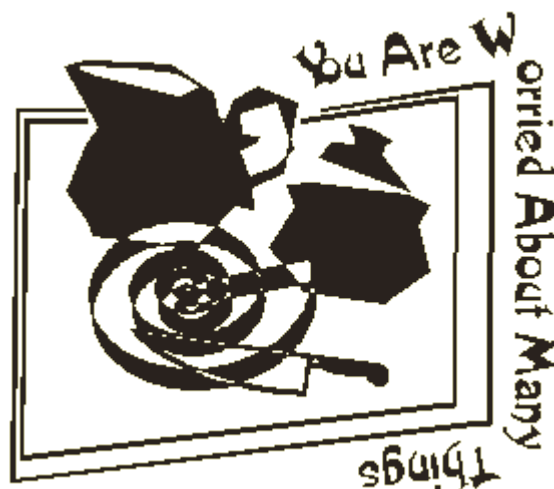


CHINESE AUCTION will be held on Sunday, **September 12, 2010** in the parish hall. We are asking all parishioners to help with the fundraiser by donating **new items** for this event. We are also appealing to you for your help. Everyone’s help is needed especially on the day of the auction. THANK YOU.



The Lord Appeared To Abraham

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 is placed on the tongue, not in the hand.



WHAT IS LACKING IN CHRIST'S AFFLICTIONS

At first glance, Paul's claim to be "filling... what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ" seems to be a vain boast. What could be worse than Jesus' sufferings? He was abandoned, beaten, and nailed to a cross. Jesus accepted this torture to build a bond with all people suffer anywhere in any time. The best bond would be love, but since we fail so badly in that virtue, the alternative is a bond of pain.

The missing element in Jesus' suffering is our own involvement. When we "offer up" our own afflictions, we relate to Christ in a way that makes our pain a saving act. We can suffer for others who cannot endure the burden.

SAINT MARTHA

Jesus probably traveled to Jerusalem three times a year, throughout His life. He would have taken the safest route, through the Jordan River valley and up the eastern side of the Mount of Olives. Bethany would have been his last stop. He would wait here for Sunrise and the spectacular view of the Temple at dawn. It would seem that he visited the home of Lazarus, Mary and Martha to rest the night.

As his fame grew, Lazarus' family would look forward to these arrivals. Martha wants to anticipate his every

need. She seems overwrought and stuffy in this scene. She doesn't appear to be saint-material. However, of the three people in the family, she is the one who shows the greatest growth. When her brother dies she is the one who states, "I have come to believe..." Because of this, Martha is the only one of three who is honored by a universal feast day.

