

Holy Ghost Parish
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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"
Osiemnasta Niedziela Zwykła

August 5, 2012

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, August 5th – XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

We gather to give God thanks and praise, to be fed and strengthened by the bread of heaven, to renew our faith in God's kindness.

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

▲ Collection for missions.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Daniel 7:9-10.13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36; **Tue.**, Jeremiah 30:1-2.12-15.18-22; Matthew 14:22-36; **Wed.**, Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28; **Thu.**, Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23; **Fri.**, Nahum 2:1.3;3:1-3.6-7; Matthew 16:24-28; **Sat.**, Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20

MONDAY, August 6th - Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord

This feast became widespread in the West in the 11th century and was introduced into the Roman calendar in 1457 to commemorate Christendom's victory over Islam in Belgrade in 1456. Before that, the Transfiguration of the Lord was already celebrated in the Syrian, Byzantine, and Coptic rites. The Transfiguration prefigures the glory of the Lord as God, foretells His ascension into heaven, where we shall see God face to face.

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, August 9th – *Weekday*

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, August 10th - St. Laurence, Deacon & Martyr

(+258). A Roman deacon, he died four days after Pope Sixtus II, during the persecution of Valerian. Arrested by the prefect and called on to deliver up the property of the Church, his answer was point to a crowd of poor people. "Here are the true treasures of the Church", he said. He was burned to death on a gridiron.

11:00AM - ? - "Bleenie" Sale in Frackville.

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 12th – XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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 RITE (Psalm 78:19.20b-21a.22)

V. Yes, they spoke against God, saying: "Can God spread a table in the desert? Can He also give bread, and provide meat for His people?"

R. Then the Lord heard and was enraged; because they believed not God nor trusted in His help.

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: Exodus 16:2-4.12-15

The people complain at their lack of food. God sends manna from heaven.

GRADUAL (Psalm 78:24-25.27)

V. He rained manna for the people to eat, He gave them the grain of heaven. Men ate the bread of angels; He sent them all the food they could eat.

R. He rained meat on them like dust, flying birds like the sand on the seashore.

II Reading: Ephesians 4:17.20-24

St. Paul invites the Ephesians to put aside their own self and to put on the new self.

ALLELUIA (Exodus 16:31)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Israelites called this food “manna”. It was like coriander seed, but white, and it tasted like wafers made with honey.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

Jesus reveals himself as the bread from heaven, who answers our deepest hungers.

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 (Psalm 78:32)

V. Yet for all this they sinned still more, and believed not in His wonders.

COMMUNION VERSE (Exodus 16:35a)

V. The Israelites ate this manna for forty years, until they came to a settled land.

May God, who knows every one of your needs give you peace in your hearts, take away all your fears and guide you in the ways of eternal life.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 14th Bishops consecration (Scranton, PA)

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Aug. 21-23rd Clergy Retreat & Conference (Mt. Pocono, PA)

Oct. 11-13th Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA.

FRACKVILLE

Aug. 10th “Bleenie” Sale

Oct. 6th Animals blessing (2:00PM)

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 everyone who prepared and organized Yard Sale yesterday – especially to **the Karvois family, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky, Mrs. Eugenia Tyrrell, Mrs. Kellie Solnoki**. Thank you also for donating cakes and support this project. May God bless you all!

THANK YOU very much to **Joe Karvois** for his help on Sunday's Mass.

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 **Father Gregory Mludzik**, his family, parishioners of the Transfiguration of our

Lord Parish in Wallington, NJ.

THE HERITAGE PARADE – will be held on Saturday, August 25, 2012 in Shenandoah, PA. If anyone of you plan to participate actively as a Polish group, please come at 10:00AM (on that day) - St. Casimir RCC in Shenandoah.

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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES. The Classes will start in **September 2012**. I'm asking the parents whose children were born in **2004** or older (age 8 and older) did not receive the Holy Communion, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. If your child will be at least **9** years old in **May 2013** is eligible to receive his/her First Holy Communion.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 5 – Nicole Sosna.



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: **Aug. 19:** sp. William Zamonas Sr.; **Aug. 26:** sp. Susan Bednarek. *Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 1 year. Thank you.*

FROM THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PNCC – “Article XVIII, Section 1: The Chairman of the Parish Committee calls and the Pastor announces all Committee and Parish meetings and the Chairman presides over them. He signs all legal documents pertaining to the Parish property and its administration.”

Thank you very much to **Mr. Joseph Petrusky** for being such a great Chairman through these years, for his concern, dedication, love for our Parish, and for taking a very good care of the parish properties. Mr. Joseph participates (as much as he could) in the spiritual events of the Seniorate and the Diocese as well. Thank you also to all of our **Parishioners** who would like to keep our church open! May God bless you all!

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 2012. 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 2012 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.

Polish Proverbs

Co się dzieje w domu, nie opowiadaj nikomu.
Tell no one what goes in the home.

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