

Holy Ghost Parish
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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"
Dwudziesta Niedziela Zwyczajna

August 19, 2012

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, August 19th – XX Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Eucharist is the sacrament of love. In giving himself to us in Holy Communion, Jesus shows the greatness of His love.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **William Zamonas Sr.**, of. Children.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Ezekiel 24:15-23; Matthew 19:16-22; **Tue.**, Ezekiel 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30; **Wed.**, Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16; **Thu.**, Ezekiel 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14; **Fri.**, Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51; **Sat.**, Ezekiel 43:1-7ab; Matthew 23:1-12

Tuesday, August 21 – Thursday, August 23 – Clergy Retreat & Conference – Mt. Pocono, PA

FRIDAY, August 24th - Feast – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Bartholomew was from Cana in Galilee. Mentioned in the gospels as one of the twelve apostles, he is identified with Nathanael. His friend, the apostle Philip, brought him to Jesus. According to tradition, St. Bartholomew preached the Gospel in India and died there a martyr.

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

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: God's blessing for **Victoria** and **Veronica Plichta**.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 26th – XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Susan Bednarek, of. by Mr. Julian Bednarek.

^ Collection – Youth Fund.

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 (Deuteronomy 8:3)

V. He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers.

R. In order to show you that not by bread alone does man live, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

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: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom prepares a banquet and invites all to walk in the way of understanding and live

GRADUAL (Nehemiah 9:20; Job 22:29)

V. “Your good Spirit You bestowed on them, to give them understanding; Your manna you did not withhold from their mouths, and You gave them water in their thirst.”

R. For God abases the proud, but He saves the lowly.

II Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

St. Paul urges Christians to be thoughtful in doing God's will, to be filled with the Spirit and become people of praise.

ALLELUIA (John 12:26a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Whoever serves Me must follow Me; and where I am, there also will My servant be.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

Jesus stuns His listeners by saying that He is the bread come down from heaven and that those who receive His body and blood will live for ever.

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 (Song of Songs 2:4)

V. He brings me into the banquet hall and His emblem over me is love.

COMMUNION VERSE (John 6:27)

V. Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on Him the Father, God, has set His seal.

May the grace of God help us and guide us in the coming week.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 1st Annual YMSofR Track and Field Meet, Minooka, Scranton, PA
Sep. 14th Bishops consecration (Scranton, PA at 3:30PM)

CENTRAL DIOCESE

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

FRACKVILLE

Aug. 24th "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 for our church operational fund donations: **Mr. & Mrs. James Panco, Mr. Frank Gill, Mr. Jan Cegielski, Ms. Marylyn Stefanski, Mrs. Eugenia Tyrrell, Mr. Lance Nelson.** When you make a check for donations, please make it out to: **Holy Ghost PNCC.**

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

PARISH CELEBRATION – On Sunday, **September 9, 2012** (Solemnity of Brotherly Love), Father Robert will celebrate the Holy Mass at 11:00AM, and after Mass the Pastor will impart the **Sacrament of Holy Anointing** to everyone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Please, invite our Parishioners, Friends and every person who want to take a part of this Liturgy.

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 Marek Gnidziński**, his family, parishioners of the Blessed Virgin Mary

of Częstochowa Parish in Latham, NY.

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. First class will be held on **Saturday, Sep. 8th, 2012** at **10:00AM** in the parish hall at **Frackville, PA**.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 23 – Margaret Kruszynski; August 25 – Claire Mallick.



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. 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

Wiedzą sąsiedzi, jak kto siedzi. The neighbors know everything.

GOD'S FIELD Publication Information:

Please remember that articles and pictures can be submitted to God's Field via the internet at godfield@pncc.org or godfield@comcast.net When sending pictures, please make sure that they are sent in JPEG or TIFF format with the resolution set at 300 pixels per inch or as high as possible. If you have questions concerning the submission of articles, especially for upcoming important events in your parish, you may contact the God's Field office at:

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