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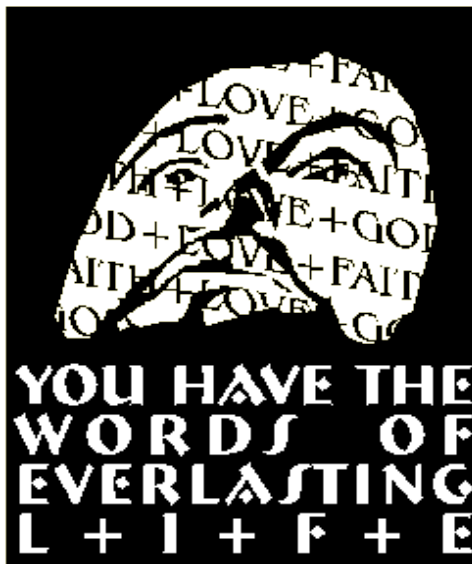
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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle "B"

August 23, 2009

"If you think you can, you can. If you think you can't, you're right." – MARY KAY ASH

Events for the Week

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

Today, August 23rd – XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord calls His followers today to choose freely between being with Him, or walking away. His is the way that leads to eternal life.

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

- 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., Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51; Matthew 23:13-22; **Tue.**, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 23:23-26; **Wed.**, 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:27-32; **Thu.**, 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13; Matthew 24:42-51; **Fri.**, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13; **Sat.**, Jeremiah 1:17-19; Mark 6:17-29

MONDAY, 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.

8:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, August 26th – Solemnity – Our Lady of Częstochowa

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

SATURDAY, August 29th – Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist

St. John's fearless condemnation of Herod's unlawful marriage incurred the hatred of the king's bride, Herodias. She had him imprisoned and, finally, killed. St. John the Baptist teaches us to be strong in carrying out the mission God has given us.

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: Bishop, priests and deacons of the Central Diocese – God's blessing.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 30th – Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. John Dziedziak Sr., of. by Justin Hymon.

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

(Psalm 100:1-2.4a)

V. Sing joyfully to the Lord all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful song!

R. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, His courts with praise; give thanks to Him! Bless His Name!

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: Joshua 24:1-2.15-18

Joshua asks the newly liberated Israelites whom they would worship – the gods of their neighbors, or the God who brought them out of Egypt. Their choice would bind them to the true God for ever.

THE GRADUAL

(Job 21:15; Isaiah 6:3)

V. What is the Almighty that we should serve Him? And what gain shall we have if we pray to Him?

R. Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts!” they cried one to the other. “All the earth is filled with His glory!”

II Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

In this letter, married couples are urged to respect and serve each other, self sacrificially, with love. Such is the relationship between Christ and His Church.

THE 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 6:60-69

Jesus responds to the difficulties of His followers over His teaching on the Eucharist. He challenges them to follow Him, or leave. The apostles know that with Him is life eternal.

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 be with you all, as you follow Him wherever He may take you, this day and always.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Sep. 5th Flea Market (8:00AM – 2:00PM)

Sep. 11th “Bleenie” sale

Oct. 11th “Chinese” Auction

FRACKVILLE

Sep. 4th “Bleenie” sale (every two weeks)

Oct. 3rd Blessing of pets (at the parking) – 2:00PM
Oct. 25th “Chinese” Auction
Nov. 8th Pastor’s Installation – 4:00PM

GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 5th Annual Track & Field Meet, Minooka
Oct. 20 – 22nd National Clergy Conference – Lancaster, NY

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 greeter, the people working on fundraisers, the decorators, repair and maintenance people and members of the choir.

THANK YOU very much to **Mr. Jacob Komara** for being a lector, last Sunday (August 16).

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.

CHURCH’S ENVELOPES – please, continue using the church envelopes given, adjust the actual date. Thank you.

FLEA MARKET – Sell your collectible and treasures at the church hall on **Saturday, September 5th** from **8:00AM – 2:00PM**. Tables 96 inches/30 inches - **\$10.00**. Refreshments available. Crafters welcome! 50/50 chances available **\$1.00 each**, 6 for **\$5.00**. For more information and details please contact **Mrs. Anne Andruscavage** or **Mr. Jacob Komara** at **570-462-3230**. Thank you.

HERITAGE DAY – we are asking our Parishioners to donate food to the baskets that we will chance on the Heritage Day. Please, bring the food to the rectory. **Thank you.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 23 – Margaret Kruszynski; August 25 – Claire Mallick; August 28 – Debbie Whitecavage.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Margaret Kruszynski – Helen Menzyk - Connie Sincavage - Maurice Curcio – James Panco – Catherine Marasco - Edward Ryszka Jr.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Aug. 30:** sp. John Dziedziak Sr.; **Sep. 6:** sp. John Dziedziak Sr.; **Sep. 13:** all Parishioners; **Sep. 20:** sp. John Dziedziak Sr.; **Sep. 27:** Spójnia Sunday; **Oct. 4:** sp. William Zamonas Sr.; **Oct. 11:** sp. Mary and James Albano; **Oct. 18:** sp. Stephanie Mendofik; **Oct. 25:** sp. Zeldia Evans; **Nov. 1:** sp. William and Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 8:** sp. William Mallick; **Nov. 15:** sp. Robert and Charles Hoppes.

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.



Sacrament of Anointing

“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.

CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **October 11, 2009** 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. If you need help with delivering your items to the church, please contact Father Robert and arrangements will be made for pick-up. THANK YOU.

PASTOR’S INSTALLATION – the installation of Fr. Robert as a pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish (Frackville) will be held on **Sunday, November 8, 2009** at **4:00PM**. All of our Parishioners and Friends are cordially invited. The reception will follow after the service in our St. John’s hall. In the vestibule there is a list where you can signed you name as a participant. The deadline is **Sunday, October 25th**.

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!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES. The Classes will start in **September 2009** (first Saturday after the Labor Day). I’m asking the parents whose children (age 8 and older) did not receive the Holy Communion, please encouraged your children to attend the classes.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES. The Classes will start in **October 2009**. I’m asking the parents whose children was not confirmed, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. The minimum age for Confirmation is 14. Students who will be 14 years old or older in May 2011 are eligible to take confirmation classes. The course is two years, as required by the Church and will be completed in Spring of the year 2011.



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.

BE SUBORDINATE
TO ONE ANOTHER



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!

