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**Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"**

Dwudziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwykła

**August 25, 2013**

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, August 25<sup>th</sup> – XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time – Youth Sunday**

Today we are given an image of people from every part of the world entering the kingdom of God. It reminds us that salvation is God's gift to all the human family.

**11:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Sp. **William Zamonas Sr.**, of. by Mrs. Barbara Snyder & family.

^ Collelction – Youth Fund.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5.8b-10; 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.**, Jeremiah 1:17-19; Mark 6:17-29; **Fri.**, 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8; Matthew 25:1-13; **Sat.**, 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11; Matthew 25:14-30

**MONDAY, August 26<sup>th</sup>** – Solemnity – Our Lady of Czestochowa

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville.

**THURSDAY, August 29<sup>th</sup>** - Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for Sp. **Helena Zaborowska**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

**FRIDAY, August 30<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**7:00PM** – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for Sp. **Jan Zaborowski**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

**SATURDAY, August 31<sup>st</sup>** – Annual YMSofR Track & Field Meet, Minooka, Scranton, PA

**5:00PM** – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for Sp. **Edward Halaburda**, of. by Mrs. Helen Hopko.

**NEXT SUNDAY, September 1<sup>st</sup>** – XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

^ Collection for Missions.

### 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 (Psalms 65:2-5)**

V. To You we owe our hymn of praise, o God, in Zion; to You must vows must be fulfilled, You who hear prayers. To You all flesh must come with its burden of wicked deeds.

**R. We are overcome by our sins; only You can pardon them. Happy the chosen ones You bring to dwell in Your courts. May we be filled with the good things of Your house, the blessings of Your holy temple!**

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: Isaiah 66:18-21**

*The Lord's promise that people of every language and nation will witness God's glory in Jerusalem is a sign of salvation for all.*

**GRADUAL (Psalms 117:1-2)**

V. Praise the Lord, all you nations! Give glory, all you peoples!

**R. The Lord's love for us is strong; the Lord is faithful forever. Hallelujah!**

**II Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13**

*An explanation of suffering in terms of the training that the Lord gives to those He loves.*

**ALLELUIA (John 10:9a)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. I am the gate. Whoever enters through Me will be saved.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 13:22-30**

*Salvation cannot be taken for granted. It is given by God to those who respond in faith.*

**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 we be renewed in faith, hope and love.

### COMING EVENTS

#### PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Sep. 29<sup>th</sup> 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Organizing St. John the Baptist PNCC in Hazleton, PA  
Oct. ... 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Organizing SS. Peter & Paul PNCC in McAdoo, PA.

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 7:00PM)

**First Sunday** of each month – coffee & cake in the hall.

Sep. 6<sup>th</sup> “Bleenie” Sale (11:00AM - ?)

Sep. 7<sup>th</sup> Food Sale

Sep. 22<sup>nd</sup> 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish Organizing celebration (3:00PM)

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Animals blessing at the parking (2:00PM)

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> “Chinese” Auction

### 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.

**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.

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS** – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Fathers: Gastone Bernacchi and Paolo Leone**, their families and people whom they serve in Italy.

**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, 2013. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

**SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS:** **Sep. 1:** sp. Susan Berto Bednarek; **Nov. 24:** sp. Robert Hoppes and Charles Hoppes.



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

Frank Gill.  
(Shen. Hts.) -



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for Helen Menzyk – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Dolores Halaburda – Donna Kolwicz. **Providence Palace Drums, PA** - Violet Cegielski. **Trinity Mission** 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.

**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.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES.** The Classes will start in **September 2013**. 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 2013**. 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 2015 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 2015.

**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.

**PNCC APPEAL** – for funds and assistance to the Żarki parish (birthplace of Prime Bishop Francis Hodur) was considered during the December 2012 PNU Borad meeting. This appeal related to necessary refurbishment and maintenance on the parish rectory and the church structure. Based on the appeal, the Board of Directors authorized PNU CEO Irene L. Jugan and PNU CFO John C. Andrzejewski to work with PNCC Prime Bishop Anthony A. Mikovsky to organize a fundraising campaign with a goal of **\$50,000 USD**. The PNU Board was the first to contribute **\$1,000 USD** toward this goal. On behalf of the Prime Bishop, the PNU Board of Directors, CEO Jugan and CFO Andrzejewski, this appeal is being sent to PNCC members asking for their participation in this important fundraising effort. Tax deductible contributions should be made payable in USD to: **PNCC – Żarki 50<sup>th</sup> Ann.**, and mailed to:

Polish National Union of America  
Attention: Żarki 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fund  
1006 Pittston Avenue  
Scranton, PA 18505

**PARISH INFORMATION.** **Daily Masses** as announced. Examples of the Mass intention are: for the Sick, in remembrance of the faithful departed (especially parents, grandparents, relatives...), to ask God’s Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries (...) To make arrangements, please contact Father Robert.

**Holy Day Masses** are held as announced in the bulletin.

**Sacrament of Baptism** – Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior the ceremony. Only **practicing Christians** should be chosen as **godparents**.

**Sacrament of Matrimony** – Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

**Emergencies, Sickness and deaths** – please contact to the rectory immediately.

**The parish bulletin** - is made on **THURSDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.

### **Prayer for the Beginning of the New School Year**

Dear Lord, as we begin this new school year, we gather once again as your community of believers.

We thank you for the energy and the spirit that you renewed in us through the summer months.

We thank you for the time to enjoy our family and

friends and to reflect on what is important in our lives.

Let this year be marked by enthusiasm and love so that, with the inspiration of your Spirit, we may continue to grow in our faith.

Help us to fulfill Your hope for us with honest intentions and works of faith.

Let us be gentle with ourselves and bring laughter, joy and love to others.

We ask this in Your name. **Amen.**

Every good gift comes from the Father of light. May He grant you His grace and every blessing, and keep you safe throughout the new school year.

**R. Amen!**

May He grant you unwavering faith, constant hope, and love that endures to the end.

**R. Amen!**

May He order your days and work in His peace, hear your every prayer, and lead you to everlasting life and joy.

**R. Amen!**

**May almighty God bless you,**  
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen!**