# **Holy Ghost Parish**

# **Polish National Catholic Church**

90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Organizing (1922 - 2012)

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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle "B"

Dwudziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwykła

August 26, 2012

**EVENTS for the WEEK** 

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

# <u>Today, August 26<sup>th</sup></u> - XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time - Youth Sunday

Jesus is the bread of life, giving us access to the heart of the Father. We are called to keep on choosing His path, for we will not find such fullness of life anywhere else.

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

▲ Collection – Youth Fund.

#### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

Mon., 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5.11-12; Matthew 23:13-22; Tue., 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a.14-17; Matthew 23:23-26; Wed., Jeremiah 1:17-19; Mark 6:17-29; Thu., 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51; Fri., 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13; Sat., 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 25:14-30

# MONDAY, August 27th - Our Lady of Czestochowa

8:30AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

# WEDNESDAY, August 29<sup>th</sup> – 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.

8:30AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

# FRIDAY, August 31st - Weekday

8:30AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

# **SATURDAY**, **September 1**<sup>st</sup> - Weekday

Annual YMSofR Track and Field Meet, Minooka, Scranton, PA

# NEXT SUNDAY, September 2<sup>nd</sup> - XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

▲ Collection for missions.

## **Today's liturgy**

<u>ASPERGES</u> – **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 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

**Remembering how they** were liberated from slavery, and guided through the wilderness, the tribes of Israel resolve to serve their mighty God.

### **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 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**

The mystery of the marriage covenant between man and woman reflects the mystery of Christ's self-sacrificing love for His Church.

#### **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' claim** to be the bread of life challenges many to the point of desertion, except St. Peter, who realizes that there is no one else to turn to.

## **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** (Deuteronomy 6:13)

V. The Lord, your God, shall you fear; Him shall you serve and by His name you shall swear.

## **COMMUNION VERSE** (Psalm 63:1a.9)

V. O God You are my God whom I seek. My soul clings fast to You; Your right hand upholds me.

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

## **COMING EVENTS**

## GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 14<sup>th</sup> Bishops consecration (Scranton, PA at 3:30PM)

## **CENTRAL DIOCESE**

Oct. 11-13<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA.

## **FRACKVILLE**

Sep. 7<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" Sale

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Animals blessing (2:00PM)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>THANK YOU</u> 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.

<u>THANK YOU</u> for our church operational fund donations: Mr. & Mrs. James Panco, Mr. Frank Gill, Mr. Jan Cegielski, Mrs. Eugenia Tyrrell, Mr. Lance Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Savitsky, Mrs. Mary Stukas, Mr. Julian Bednarek, Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes, Mr. John Golba. When you make a check for donations, please make it out to: Holy Ghost PNCC.

THANK YOU very much to Joe Karvois and Dylan Whitecavage for their help on Sunday's Mass.

<u>PARISH CELEBRATION</u> – 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 Senior Walter Madej, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Cross Parish in Syracuse, NY and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in New York Mills, NY.

**PNCC NEWS** – The Prime Bishop, the Most Rev. Anthony A. Mikovsky and the Supreme Council of the PNCC joyfully invite us to the Consecration of the Rev. Stanley M. Bilinski Jr. and the Rev. Bernard J. Nowicki as Bishops in the PNCC on Friday, September 14, 2012 at 3:30PM at St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr Cathedral in Scranton, PA. Reception to follow. The deadline to sign the names is September 1, 2012.

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. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 10:00AM in the parish hall at Frackville, PA.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 28 – Debbie Whitecavage; September 1 – John Edmondson.

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.

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 Chaiman 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. <u>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.</u> 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**

Każdy w młodości jest skłonny do miłości. The voung are always ready for love.

## **GOD'S FIELD Publication Information:**

Please remember that articles and pictures can submitted to God's Field via the internet at <a href="mailto:godsfield@comcast.net">godsfield@pncc.org</a> or <a href="godsfield@comcast.net">godsfield@pncc.org</a> 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 or articles, especially for upcoming important events in your parish, you may contact the God's Field office at:

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