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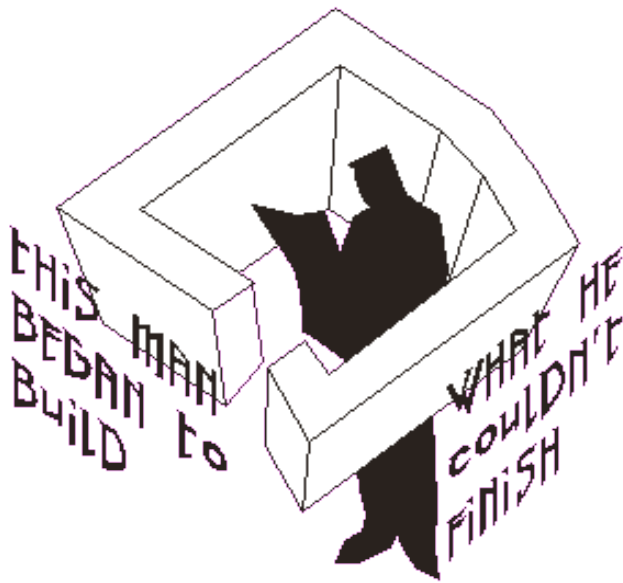
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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “C”

Dwudziesta Trzecia Niedziela Zwykła

September 5, 2010

“Some say, “the Church”. Some say, “my church”. What do you say?”

Events for the Week

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

Today, September 5th – XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we gather here to celebrate the Eucharist together, let us offer our love and our commitment.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Geraldine Andrews**, of. by Mr. Violet Cegielski & family.

- Collection for mission.
- 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., 1 Corinthians 5:1-9; Luke 6:1-11; **Tue.**, 1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Luke 6:12-19; **Wed.**, Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16.18-23; **Thu.**, 1 Corinthians 8:1b-7.11-13; Luke 6:27-38; **Fri.**, 1 Corinthians 9:16-19.22b-27; Luke 6:39-42; **Sat.**, 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Luke 6:43-49

MONDAY, September 6th – *Weekday* – **Labor Day**
9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, September 8th – *Solemnity* – **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The Church in commemorating with a feast the birth of the BVM, celebrates the dawning of the day of the Redemption – the moment when she who was to be the Mother of our Savior was born. The Blessed Virgin occupies a unique place in the history of salvation. Heaven rejoices at her birth. The Lord reserves for her the highest mission ever entrusted to any creature. We rejoice in the certainty that the Mother of God is our Mother, too.

6:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for sp. **Marianna Zaborowska**, of. by Fr. Robert & Janina Plichta.

THURSDAY, September 9th - *Weekday*

6:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for **Jan Zaborowski** – good health, of. by Fr. Robert & Janina Plichta

SATURDAY, September 11th – **9th Anniversary of 9/11/2001**

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 12th – **Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** – **Solemnity- Brotherly Love**

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Geraldine Andrews, of. by Mrs. Christina Pukas.

- Collection for Manor at Waymart.
- Chinese Auction, doors open at 12:00 (noon); the auction starts at 2:00PM.

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 (Romans 11:34-35; Job 40:2)

V. For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Who has given him anything that he may be repaid?

R. Will we have arguing with the Almighty be the critic? Let him who would correct God give answer!

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: Wisdom 9:13-18

No human being can know God's mind; it is hard enough to work out what is on earth. God's wisdom has taught human beings those things that it pleases God for us to know.

GRADUAL (Job 36:22,23,26)

V. Behold, God is sublime in his power. What teacher is there like him? Who prescribes for him his conduct, or who can say, "You have done wrong"?

R. Lo, God is great beyond our knowledge; the number of his years is past searching out.

II Reading: Philemon 9-10.12-17

St. Paul writes a plea to Philemon. The letter accompanies a freed slave, Onesimus. St. Paul doesn't just ask for mercy for Onesimus, he requests that Philemon welcomes him as a brother in Christ.

ALLELUIA (Luke 14:34)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Salt is good, but if salt itself loses its taste, with what can its flavor be restored?

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus addresses the crowds and tells them that in order to follow Him they must reject their families and take up their cross. He asks which of them wouldn't plan properly before going into battle or building a tower.

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 you serve the Lord in all humility.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Sep. 12th "Chinese" Auction

Sep. 19th Parish Committee meeting

Oct. 1st Food Sale

FRACKVILLE

Sep. 17th "Bleenie" Sale (every 2 weeks)

Oct. 2nd Blessing of the animals at the parking (2:00PM)

Oct. 24th "Chinese" Auction

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Oct. 11th Pastor's meeting (Wilkes-Barre, PA) 1:00PM

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Sep. 11th ANS Convention in Scranton, PA

GENERAL CHURCH

Oct. 4-8th 23rd General Synod (Canada)

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 to **Mr. Jacob Komara** and **Dylan Whitecavage** for your help during the Holy Mass last Sunday (August 29).

Fr. Robert and Janina are saying *Thank You* words to the **Komara/Andruscavage family** for attending the wedding anniversary Mass on Thursday evening, and for the gift. May God bless you!

TODAY – if you have a time, please help us to carry the items from the classroom into the parish hall for our Chinese Auction.

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 the **Father Joseph Cyman**, his family, and parishioners of the Holy Cross PNCC in Woodland Park, NJ.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Sp. Geraldine Andrews:** Sep. 12, Sep. 19, Oct. 3, Oct. 10, Oct. 17, Oct. 24, Oct. 31, Nov. 21, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, Dec. 12, Dec. 19, Dec. 26, Jan. 2, 2011, Jan 9, 2011; **Sep. 26:** Spójnia Members; **Nov. 7:** sp. William and Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 14:** sp. Charles Hoppes; **Jan. 16, 2011:** sp. Susan Bednarek, Helena Bednarek, Julian Bednarek Sr.; **Jan. 23, 11:** sp. Franciszek, Elżbieta Sroka; **Jan. 30, 11:** for sp. John and Dolores Sroka.

Please, do not order the Holy Mass intention until October 2010. If you would like to order the Mass, it will be celebrated in Frackville, during the week.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Crucio – James Panco – Catherine Marasco - Connie Sincavage. **Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.)** - Margaret Kruszynski - Edward Ryszka Jr.



Sacrament of Anointing

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.

“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.

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!



CHINESE AUCTION will be held on Sunday, **September 12, 2010** 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.



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.

THE PARISH CATECHISM – *What is the greatest act of worship offered to God?* The Mass is the greatest and highest act of public worship given to Almighty God. *What is the Mass?* The Mass is the sacrifice of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

FORGIVENESS AND THE EUCHARIST – People often ask if it right to receive the Eucharist into an unforgiving heart. If you are in a state of alienation from someone and you have no desire to do anything about healing the hurt on both sides, then, objectively speaking, it would be a contradiction to receive the Eucharist. The presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and the presence of Jesus in our neighbor are inseparable. The Eucharist is not a reward for doing good but an aid to help us to do good.

HATING ONE'S FAMILY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says something shocking, "Anyone who comes to me without hating father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, cannot be my disciple." We should realize that it was intended to provoke a response. If we took his words literally, it would be the exact opposite of all that he preached. But are the words meant in the literal sense?

Jesus used what we might call "reverse psychology" to elicit a commitment from his disciples. Many came to him because he was a free physician. They had only a passing or no interest in his teachings. His words might be interpreted to say, "Anyone who wants to be my follower must love me far more than he does his own father, mother, wife, children, brothers, or sisters--yes, more than his own life--otherwise he cannot be my disciple."



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.

ONESIMUS

Paul spent much of his ministry in the Roman province of Asia--now known as Turkey. He made a number of converts in Colossae, a city about 80 miles east of Ephesus. Among these was the family of Philemon, a wealthy slave owner. One of the slaves, Onesimus, whose name means "useful", followed Paul after the apostle left. Runaway slaves could be killed with impunity. Paul wrote a short note to Philemon to plead on behalf of Onesimus. Apparently he was successful, because in the 20th century a plaque was found near Colossae. It was a tribute to someone named "Philemon from his beloved Onesimus". A coincidence?