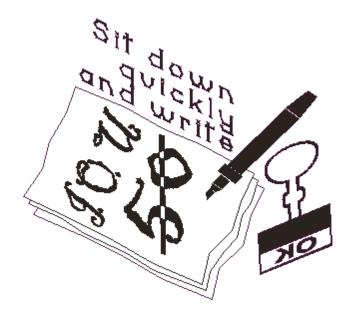
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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle "C"

Dwudziesta Piąta Niedziela Zwykła

September 19, 2010

"Don't stay away from church because it is not perfect. How lonely you would feel in a perfect church!"

Events for the Week

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

<u>Today, September 19th</u> – XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time Let us gather to celebrate the goodness of God, and our desire to reflect God's generosity in our lives.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Geraldine Andrews, of. by Ms. Leona Ciesluk.

- Parish Committee meeting.
- 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., Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke 8:16-18; Tue., Ephesians 4:1-7.11-13; Matthew 9:9-13; Wed., Proverbs 30:5-9; Luke 9:1-6; Thu., Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9; Fri., Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22; Sat., Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8; Luke 9:43b-45



TUESDAY, September 21st – Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Son of Alpheus, Matthew was a publican, that is, a tax collector for the Romans. His profession was despised by the Jews. Nevertheless, our Lord called him to be an apostle. Matthew's vocation reminds us that sanctity is not restricted only to a certain states in life. All professions, all our work and all our other endeavors should be sanctified. We do not know details of his evangelization or of his martyrdom which by most accounts took place in Persia or Ethiopia. Tradition unanimously acknowledges his as the author of the first *Gospel*, written in Aramaic, and afterwards translated into Greek.

Patron Saint of: accountants, bankers, bookkeepers, tax collectors

12:30PM - Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: God's blessing for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

WEDNESDAY, September 22nd - Weekday 6:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, for Health.

THURSDAY, September 23rd - Weekday 6:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 26th – Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Spójnia Sunday 11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Spójnia Members.

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 Świetemu, jak była na poczatku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Psalms 113:1-2)

V. Praise, you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

R. Blessed be the name of the Lord both now and forever.

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: Amos 8:4-7

God describes the oppression of those who are poor and vulnerable as being sinful.

GRADUAL (Deuteronomy 25:13-14.16)

V. You shall not keep two differing weights in your bag, one large and the other small; nor shall you keep two different measures in your house, one large and the other small.

R. Everyone who is dishonest in any of these matters is an abomination to the Lord, your God.

II Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

St. Paul urges that prayers be said for people in positions of power, that they may lead their lives and make decisions in accordance with Gospel values.

ALLELUIA (Sirach 29:11)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. Dispose of your treasure as the Most High commands, for that will profit you more than the gold.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

You cannot be slave of both God and money.

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.

Let God's generosity and sensivity to people in need be a gift that you share with others.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Oct. 1st Food Sale

FRACKVILLE

- Oct. 1st "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

GENERAL CHURCH

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

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> to Mr. Jacob Komara and Dylan Whitecavage for your help during the Holy Mass last Sunday (September 12).

<u>CHINESE AUCTION THANK YOU</u> – especially to: Mrs. Donna Berkoski & Family, Ms. Cheryl Stanitis, the Panco's family, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Mr. John Golba, Mary Ann Hoppes, Mr. & Mrs. William Solnoki II, Mrs. Violet Cegielski, Mr. Jan Cegielski, Mr. Jacob Komara, Mrs. Anne Andruscavage and Amy, Ms. Susan Bobbins, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky, Mrs. Loretta Kovalewski, Mrs. Christina Pukas

and anyone else who left items even no names! Alle gifts and food/drink items were donated! Winners: Afghan - Mrs. Jean Keim; 50/50 - Mr. & Mrs. Kellie Solnoki II.

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 Jan Kość, his family, and parishioners of the Church of the Holy Trinity & St. Joseph's PNCC in Linden, NJ.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: Sp. Geraldine Andrews: 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.



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!

THE MANOR AT WAYMART – a personal care facility, is located in beautiful waymart, PA near the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center. We invite you to contact us at 570-488-6829 or manoratwaymart@echoes.net for rates, room availability, or to arrange a tour of our facility.



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 – Did God set aside one day in the week for His special worship? God set aside one day, The Lord's Day, for His special worship. The apostles and the early Christian Church chose

Sunday to be the Lord's Day because on Sunday Christ arose from the dead and on Sunday the Holy Spirit came down upon the apostles.



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.

MYSTERIES AT OUR CHURCH

- 1. The mystery of the empty pew. The freedom to worship apparently is interpreted as freedom from worship.
- 2. The mystery of the disappearing church member. Some move and disappear without a trace. No one knows where they live.
- 3. The mystery of the closed Bible. In many homes the Bible is left on a table or shelf to gather dust.
- 4. The mystery of the buried talents. Many of our church members have the ability to serve; yet they hide their talents, refusing to use them for God.
- 5. The mystery of the misused day. Some Christians use a beautiful Sunday for everything except the worship and praise God.

MEMBERS DUES 2010. 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 2010 per Adult Member: <u>\$95.00 Per Year</u>

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.

DEAD WEIGHT IN THE CHURCH

I've been a dead weight many years around the church's neck; I've let the others carry me and always pay the check. I've had many name upon the rolls for years and years gone by; I've criticized and grumbled, too; nothing could satisfy. I've been a dead weight lonf enough upon the church's back; beginning now, I'm going to take a wholly different track. I'm going to pray and pay and work and carry loads instead; and not have others carry me as people do the dead.