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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Cycle "B"

September 20, 2009

“Age is a question of mind over matter. If you don’t mind, it doesn’t matter.” – SACHEL PAGE

Events for the Week

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

Today, September 20th – XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time

In our relationship with the Lord there are times when, like the disciples in today's Gospel, we lack understanding and courage. In our celebration today may our minds be opened and our hearts strengthened.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **John Dzieziak Sr.**, of. by Mrs. Lottie Wysocki.

- 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., Ephesians 4:1-7.11-13; Matthew 9:9-13; **Tue.**, Ezra 6:7-8.12b.14-20; Luke 8:19-21;
Wed., Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6; **Thu.**, Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:7-9; **Fri.**, Haggai 2:1-9; Luke 9:18-22; **Sat.**, Zechariah 2:5-9.14-15a; Luke 9:43b-45



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

Son of Alphaeus, 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

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, September 24th - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

SATURDAY, September 26th - *Weekday*

11:00AM – The Diocesan Council meeting in Scranton, PA

NEXT SUNDAY, September 27th – Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – *Spójnia Sunday*

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for deceased members of the PNU of America – Spójnia.

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

(Jeremiah 12:19a,20)

V. Yet I, like a trusting lamb led to slaughter, had not realized that they were hatching plots against me.

R. But You, o Lord of hosts, o just Judge, searcher of mind and heart, let me witness the vengeance You take on them, for to You I have entrusted my cause!

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 2:12.17-20

This is written in the form of a speech by those who in their defiance of God are determined to persecute the virtuous whose lives they see as a reproach to their own.

THE GRADUAL

(1 Peter 4:13-14)

V. But rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when His glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly.

R. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

II Reading: James 3:16-4:3

Peace comes from true wisdom; the causes of strife are found in ourselves. The remedy is selfless prayer.

THE ALLELUIA

(1 Peter 3:18a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that He might lead you to God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

There is a stark contrast between Jesus who predicts His passion and the disciples who vie with each other for power.

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 God help us to welcome and care for all who are in need.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Oct. 3rd First Holy Communion Catechism Class – 9:00AM

Oct. 11th “Chinese” Auction

FRACKVILLE

- Oct. 2nd “Bleenie” sale (every two weeks)
Oct. 3rd Blessing of animals (at the parking) – 2:00PM
Oct. 25th “Chinese” Auction
Nov. 8th Pastor’s Installation – 4:00PM

CENTRAL DIOCESE

- Nov. 10th Liturgy Commission meeting – Scranton, PA (10:30AM)

GENERAL CHURCH

- 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, and to **Joe Karvois** for help at the altar **last** Sunday (September 13).

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.

PARISH COMMITTEE NEWS – Mr. John Blickley resigned from his position as a recording secretary. Thank you very much for everything what he had done to our congregation. **Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes** is our new recording secretary.

MASS LITURGY CHANGES – beginning today until Easter we will stop shaking hands during the Holy Mass, due flu season.

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



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

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **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. Zelda Evans; **Nov. 1:** sp. William and Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 8:** sp. William Mallick; **Nov. 15:** sp. Robert and Charles Hoppes; **Nov. 22:** sp. Eleanor Hovanec.



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.

“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.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES. With the upcoming holy days of All Saints and All Souls in the not too distant future, we remind our parishioners and friends, to please submit the names of their departed loved ones for remembrance during this holy season. All Soul’s Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: PRINT) and return them to Father Robert as soon as possible. (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!



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.



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!



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.