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Solemnity - All Saints

November 1, 2009

"A professional is a man who can do his best at a time when he doesn't particularly fell like it." – ALISTAIR COOKE

Events for the Week

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

<u>Today, November 1st</u> – Solemnity – All Saints – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time – *Daylight Saving Time ends*

God has called us to be saints. This feast of All Saints reminds us of the struggle involved in this but challenges us to respond to this call to holiness in our daily lives.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. William and Josephine Zamonas, of. by Mrs. Loretta Kovalewski & Mrs. Theresa Petrusky.

- The flowers at the altar in memory of William and Josephine Zamonas.
- Collection for Missions.
- All Souls service in the church after the Holy Mass.
- 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., Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; Matthew 25:31-46; **Tue**., Romans 12:5-16ab; Luke 14:15-24; **Wed**., Romans 13:8-10; Luke 14:25-33; **Thu**., Romans 14:7-12; Luke 15:1-10; **Fri**., Romans 15:14-21; Luke 16:1-8; **Sat**., Romans 16:3-9.16.22-27; Luke 16:9-15

MONDAY, November 2nd – All Souls Day

The Church, after celebrating the feast of All Saints, today prays for all who, in the purifying suffering of purgatory, await the day when they will join in their company. The celebration of the Mass, which re-enacts the sacrifice of Calvary, has always been the principal means by which the Church fulfills the great commandment of charity toward the dead. We can also relieve their sufferings through our prayers, suffrages, and penance. Even after death, links with our fellow travelers are not broken.

9:00AM - Holy Mass with reading of the *Memorial List*, in Shenandoah; intention: for all deceased.

10:00AM - Holy Mass with reading of the *Memorial List*, in Frackville; intention: for all deceased.

6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee in Frackville.

TUESDAY, November 3rd – Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, November 4th – Weekday

8:30AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, November 5th – Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, November 6th – First Friday of the month

8:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus after the Holy Mass.

SATURDAY, November 7th – Weekday

9:00AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 8th - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. William Mallick, of. by Mrs. Claire Mallick.

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

(Isaiah 51:11; Psalm 145:10-11)

- V. Those whom the Lord has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; they will meet with joy and gladness.
- R. All Your works give You thanks, o Lord, and Your faithful bless You. They speak of the glory of Your reign and tell of Your great works.
- 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: Revelation 7:2-4.9-14

John sees a huge number of saints who have suffered persecution but now enjoy victory in heaven.

THE GRADUAL

(Psalm 30:5; 34:10)

- V. Sing praise to the Lord, you faithful; give thanks to God's holy Name.
- R. Fear the Lord, you holy ones; nothing is lacking to those who fear Him.

II Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

We are told that in the end we shall be like God because we will see Him as He really is.

THE ALLELUIA

(*Matthew 11:28*)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- V. "Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes Jesus tells us what kind of people will enter into His kingdom.

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 the holiness of the Lord's face shine upon you.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Nov. 14th First Holy Communion Catechism Class – 9:00AM

Dec. 6th Christmas Party – after 11:00AM Holy Mass

FRACKVILLE

Nov. 8th Pastor's Installation – 4:00PM.

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.

<u>THANK YOU</u> very much to **Mr. Jacob Komara** for being a lector and to **Joe Karvois** for help at the altar **last** Sunday (October 25).

<u>PLEASE CALL FR. ROBERT</u> - ..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.

<u>MASS LITURGY CHANGES</u> – beginning today until Easter we will stop shaking hands during the Holy Mass – *the sign of peace* - due flu season.

<u>CHURCH'S ENVELOPES</u> – please, continue using the church envelopes given, adjust the actual date. Thank you.



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

<u>UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS:</u> 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.

<u>NEW PNCC CALENDAR</u> – The PNCC is publishing a full color home liturgical calendar for members of the church. This calendar contains information concerning PNCC holy days. For individual orders the calendar cost is \$3.00 plus \$1.75 S&H. The deadline for orders is <u>November 13, 2009</u>. If someone is interested to purchase the calendar please sign your name on the list in the back of the church.



CHRISTMAS PARTY - will be held in our Holy Ghost church hall on Sunday, **December 6, 2009** following 11:00AM Holy Mass. If someone is interested to participate please sign your name on the sheet at the vestibule. If someone is planned to participate, please bring one inexpensive gift. The **deadline is November 29.**

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!



<u>WELCOME OUR VISITORS</u> – 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!



All Saints and All Souls (Zaduszki)

Both the Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls evolved in the life of the Church independently of paganism and Halloween. The exact origins of this celebration are uncertain, although, after the legalization of Christianity in 313, a common commemoration of Saints, especially the martyrs, appeared in various areas throughout the Church. In the West, a commemoration for all the saints was celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The primary reason for establishing a common feast day was because of the desire to honor the great number of martyrs, especially during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian (284-305), the worst and most extensive of the persecutions.

The designation of November 1st as the Feast of All Saints occurred over time. Pope Gregory III (731-741) dedicated an oratory in the original St. Peter's Basilica in honor of all the saints on November 1st, and this date then became the official date for the celebration of the Feast of All Saints in Rome.

Along with the Feast of All Saints developed the Feast of All Souls. The Church has consistently encouraged the offering of prayers and Mass for the souls of the faithful departed in Purgatory. The faithful on earth can assist these souls in Purgatory in attaining the Beatific Vision through their prayers, good works and the offering of Mass. In Germany, Widukind, Abbot of Corvey (died 980) recorded a special ceremony for the faithful departed on October 1st. St. Odilo, the Abbot of Cluny (died 1048), decreed for all the Cluniac monasteries that special prayers be offered and the Office of the Dead sung for all the souls in Purgatory on November 2nd, the day after All Saints. The Benedictines and Carthusians adopted that same devotion, and soon November 2nd was adopted as the Feast of All Souls for the whole Church.



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.