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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “A”

Trzydziesta Druga Niedziela Zwyczajna

November 6, 2011

“No one really gives thanks unless he is willing to give more than thanks.”

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, November 6th – XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom is a grace of God that gives us understanding and insight into life, and the power to live life well. This grace is found most fully in Jesus, the power and the wisdom of God.

11:00AM – Holy Mass with the Reading of the Memorial List intention: for sp. **William** and **Josephine**

Zamonas, of. by Mrs. Loretta Kovalewski, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky.

✧ Collection for missions.

✧ Flowers on the side altars – in memory of William & Josephine Zamonas, of by Children.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6; **Tue.**, Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Luke 17:7-10; **Wed.**, Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19; **Thu.**, Wisdom 7:22b-8:1; Luke 17:20-25; **Fri.**, Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37; **Sat.**, Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8

MONDAY, November 7th - *Weekday*

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

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

TUESDAY, November 8th - *Weekday*

9:30PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, November 9th - *Weekday*

9:30PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, November 10th - *Weekday*

9:30PM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

FRIDAY, November 11th - *Weekday*

7:30PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for those who are in Purgatory.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 13th - XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00AM – Holy Mass with the reading of the Memorial List, intention: for all Parishioners.

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 (Amos 5:14-15a)

V. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; then truly will the Lord, the God of hosts, be with you as you claim!

R. Hate evil and love good, and let justice prevail at the gate.

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 6:12-16

The ancient writer tells us how bright a gift is wisdom, and how much God wishes to impart it.

GRADUAL (Psalm 63:7-8)

V. When I think of You upon my bed, through the night watches I will recall

R. That You indeed are my help, and in the shadow of Your wings I shout for joy.

II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The death and resurrection of Jesus is our insight into the promise of everlasting life.

ALLELUIA (Isaiah 40:8)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Though the grass withers and the flower wilts, the word of our God stands forever.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus tells a story to urge us to be wise. Let every day find us dressed for action, with lamps and oil to spare.

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 (Jeremiah 13:16a)

V. Give glory to the Lord, your God, before it grows dark; before your feet stumble on darkening mountains.

COMMUNION VERSE (Jeremiah 14:9b)

V. You are in our midst, O Lord, Your name we bear; do not forsake us!

May the Lord grant you the graces of wisdom and understanding, that you may love one another.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Nov. 23rd Thanksgiving Holy Mass (6:00PM)

FRACKVILLE

Apr. 29th 2012 "Chinese" Auction

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Oct. 11-13th, 2012 Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA

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 church operational fund donation: **Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes, Mrs. Helen Menzyk, Mrs. Mary Stukas, Mr. Lance Nelson, Mr. Julian Bednarek, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Savitsky, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Mr. Stanley Sawecki, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky; Ms. Maria Celso, Ms. Diane Jellen, Ms. Susan Bobbin, Mr. Frank Gill.** When you make a check for donations, please make them out to: **Holy Ghost PNCC.**

THANK YOU – very much to **Joe Karvois** and **Dylan Whitecavage** for their help at the altar.


CHURCH SERVICES – we stop shaking hands during the Holy Mass due the flu conditions. Thank you.

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 **Father John Kowalczyk Jr.**, his family and parishioners of St. Michael Archangel Parish in Cedar Lake, IN.

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, 2011. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Nov. 27:** sp. Charles Hoppes and Robert Hoppes.

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for Helen Menzyk - Maurice Crucio – James Panco - Connie Sincavage – Violet Cegielski. Eugenia Halaburda – Dolores Halaburda. ***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.

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. The Manor at Waymart, A Personal Care Home, requests the honor of your presence at our Open House on **November 12, 2011** from **1:00PM – 4:00PM**. RSVP 570-488-6829. Come see what makes the Manor “A home away from home”. 596 Honesdale Road Waymart, PA.

BINGO – St. Stanislaus PNCC will be conducting their next monthly bingo on Sunday, November 13th between 2:00PM – 5:00PM. Doors open at 12:30PM with two early birds beginning at 1:45PM.



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 HOLY GHOST PARISH CONCERNS - In this blessed land of the United States of America, no community is complete without its House of Worship. For this, full credit must be justly given to the Founding Fathers of our Country. Our forefathers were of a thoroughbred spiritual stock. Being God fearing, religious and church going people they built our national structure upon the foundation of God. Judging by the results, God was with them in all their civic undertakings with a blessing that was as constant as it was generous. If there is any truth whatever in the proverb, “like father, like son,” then it is easy to understand why the present generation intends to keep God in its midst today, tomorrow and forever. To God’s glory and His name the people of the United States have built beautiful temples and churches, large or small, stately or simple, according to the means of the community and the needs of the congregation they were intended to serve.

Inspired with this motive and impelled with this same purpose a group of citizens of Polish descent and emigrants from Poland residing in Shenandoah area united in a resolve to built for them a House of Worship. Early in the 1920's residents of Shenandoah turned for guidance and advice to the Most Rev. Franciszek Hodur in Scranton, PA. An organizational meeting was held in May 1922 in the presence of the Rev. Father Leon Grochowski and the Rev. Father Jan Gritenas who helped to organize the Holy Ghost Polish National Catholic Church. The church records state that the first Mass was celebrated in the Russian Hall on Center Street by the Rev. Father Stanisław Cybulski and for the first time the Mass was celebrated in the Polish language. Later, property was purchased at West Lloyd and Chestnut Streets and a church was built and dedicated in December 1923. In addition to the church building, the parish's property consists of a rectory, cemetery and park..During these formative years, the parish grew in membership and various societies were organized to help with the work of the parish. Among them were the Ladies Adoration Society, The Polish School Society, two branches of the Polish National Union of America - (Spójnia), Young Men's Resurrection Society, the St. Mary's Girls Society and the Frederick Chopin Choir.

Now we are desperately struggle to survive, and to keep our church doors open. ***Dear Parishioners and Friends***, please, take care of your own parish, because we are in danger to close. Our parish family needs you, your assistance and participation: both: spiritually – in time of worship, and financially – to support your own church.by your donations. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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.

PRAYER IN ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS

Loving Father, I come before You burdened by the serious financial difficulties I am facing. I am suffering in mind and spirit from the stress and tension of trying to make ends meet. Please help me cope with these economic hardships, and adequately provide for my family. Teach me to live within my means, while at the same time doing my best to improve our resources. Let me never lose heart, but inspire me to grow in greater trust in You. Lead me to seek first Your Kingdom each day, in the assurance that all the necessities of life will be given to me besides. Amen.

