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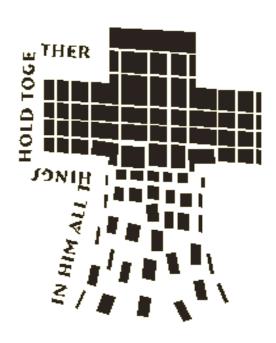
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Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"
Solemnity - Christ the King

November 24, 2013

EVENTS for the **WEEK**

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

Today, November 24th - Solemnity - Christ the King - XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's plan to reconcile all things in heaven and on earth and to bring us into the peace of the kingdom brought about by Christ's death death on the cross. Today we celebrate the fulfilment of God's plan as we acknowledge Christ as our King.

11:00AM – **Holy Mass** with the reading of the Memorial List, intention for: Sp. **Robert Hoppes** and **Charles Hoppes**, of. by Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Daniel 1:1-6.8-20; Luke 21:1-4; **Tue**., Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11; **Wed**., Daniel 5:1-6.13-14.16-17.23-28; Luke 21:12-19; **Thu**., Daniel 6:12-28; Luke 21:20-28; **Fri**., Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33; **Sat**., Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

MONDAY, November 25th – Weekday 9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

<u>TUESDAY, November 26th</u> – Weekday 9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

WEDNESDAY, November 27th - Weekday 9:00PM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

SATURDAY, November 30th – Feast – St. Andrew, Apostle

Born at Bethsaida, he was a disciple of John the Baptist before he became a follower of Christ, to whom he also brought his brother, Peter. According to tradition, he preached the Gospel in Greece and in year 60 was crucified in Patras on an X-shaped cross. He is a patron saint of Russia and Scotland. Patron Saint of: fishermen

10:00AM - Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, December 1st – I Sunday of Advent

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Deceased members of Cichocki & Mallick families (All Souls).

▲ **2:00PM** – Frackville Elks Memorial Service in St. John'n church. Everyone who will participate the service are invited for refreshments to Frackville Elks.

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 (Sirach 18:3; Psalm 22:28-28)

V. The Lord guides the world with a turn of His hand, and all things obey His will. For He is King of all, and by His power He separates what is holy from what is not.

R. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; All the families of the nations shall bow down before Him. For dominion is the Lord's, and He rules the nations.

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: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel choose David and anoint him as their king.

GRADUAL (Psalm 145:10-13)

V. Let all Your works give You thanks, o Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You. Let them discourse of the glory of Your kingdom and speak of Your might.

R. Making known to men Your might and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom. Your Kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and Your dominion endures through all generations.

II Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

All things were created through Christ and for Him. God's plan is for all things to be reconciled through Him so that we may take our place in the kingdom of the Son that God loves.

ALLELUIA (Isaiah 43:15)

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- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. I am the Lord, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:35-43

The good thief recognizes Jesus as the King of the Jews and is promised a place with Him in paradise.

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 peace and unity of God's kingdom fill your hearts.

COMING EVENTS

SNENANDOAH

Dec. 15th Advent Penitential Service (10:45AM)
Dec. 22nd Decorating the church for Christmas
Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Mass 8:00PM
Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass 9:30AM

FRACKVILLE - Each First Friday on the month - Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM - 7:00PM)

Dec. 1st Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)

Dec. 1sth Advent Penitential Service (8:30AM)

Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Mass 10:00PM

Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass 11:00AM

Feb. 2, 2014 Annual Parish Meeting

March 3, 2014Pastors Seniorate Meeting (1:00PM)

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 greeters, the people working on fundraisers, the decorators, repair and maintenance people, and members of the choir.

<u>PLEASE CALL FR. ROBERT</u> - ...if you or your relative are admitted to a hospital and nursing home; ...if your telephone number or address change; ...if you have a prayer concern.

<u>ATTENTION PARISHIONERS</u> – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for **Bishop Anthony Rysz**, his wife and parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Nanticoke, PA.

<u>PNU MESSAGE</u> – November is a time to be thankful for all the blessings we've been given. What a great time to share the many benefits of the PNU with your family and friends. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the many offerings the PNU can offer to help you provide for those you care about. Contact the PNU Home Office at **1-800-724-6352** for more information on the financial security we can help you provide.

<u>THE PARISH MEMBERSHIP</u> – to keep our parish membership list up to date – please pay your dues during the fiscal year, a deadline is December 31, 2013. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: Dec. 29: Sp. Ann Kowalonek.Grande.



Violet Cegielski. Trinity Mission (Shen. Hts.) - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221).

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!

<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!

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.

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

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<u>PARISH INFORMATION.</u> Daily Masses as announced. Examples of the Mass intention are: for the Sick, in remembrance of the faithful departed (especially parents, grandparents, relatives...), to ask God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries (...) To make arrangements, please contact Father Robert.

Holy Day Masses are held as announced in the bulletin.

Sacrament of Baptism – Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior the ceremony. Only **practicing Christians** should be chosen as **godparents**.

Sacrament of Matrimony – Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

Emergencies, Sickness and deaths – please contact to the rectory immediately.

The parish bulletin - is made on THURSDAYS and FRIDAYS. All requested announcements should be submitted by FRIDAY 10:00AM.

MEMBERS DUES 2013. 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 2013 per Adult Member: \$95.00 Per Year

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, and Christmas Donations.

TODAY IN PARADISE

Flower gardens were almost nonexistent in ancient times. Arable land was used for growing food. Only the most wealthy could enjoy the luxury of purely ornamental planting. Typically this meant that only a king could afford such a space. In Persia (Iran) the royal garden was enclosed with a high wall, kept behind locked gates. It was secured for the private enjoyment of the ruler and those in his favor. The Persian word for this enclave was "pairi-daiza" or enclosed park. The English word is "paradise".

One of the two thieves crucified with Jesus recognizes the special nature of Jesus. Our Lord promises that he will soon be with him in paradise. It is an admission of kingship by Christ and a promise for all admitted sinners.



Happy Thanksgiving Day to Everyone!