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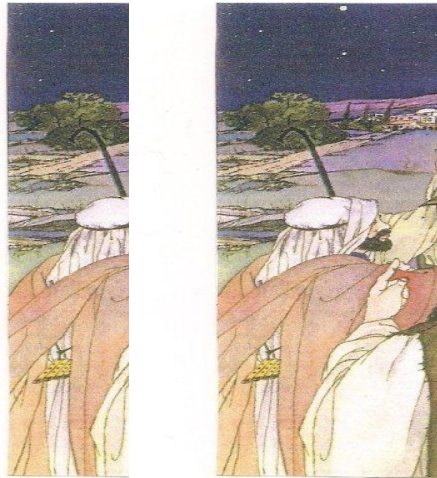
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Solemnity – Humble Shepherds – Cycle “C”

December 27, 2009

“Remember, today is tomorrow you worried about yesterday.” DALE CARNEGIE

Events for the Week

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

Today, December 27th – Humble Shepherds

This solemnity is celebrated on the first Sunday after Christ’s Nativity, in honor of the humble people who tended sheep in the land of Jesus.

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Leon, Peter, Mary Andrews...**, (All Souls).

- Colelction for the Seminary.
- 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:

December 28: 1 John 1:5-2:2; Matthew 2:13-18; **December 29:** 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35;
December 30: 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40; **December 31:** 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18;
January 1: Genesis 17:9-14; Galatians 5:3-6; Luke 2:21; **January 2:** Exodus 3:13-15;
 Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 1:18-25

MONDAY, December 28th – *Within the Octave of the Nativity* - Holy Innocents

The Church celebrates the memory of the twenty or so babies whom Herod put to death in his attempt to kill Jesus. These innocent victims thus bear witness to Christ to a world unwilling to receive him.

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for **Victoria** and **Veronica Plichta** (God’s blessing); of by. Fr. Robert & Janina.

TUESDAY, December 29th – *Within the Octave of the Nativity*

9:00AM – **4:00PM** – Fr. Robert works in the chancery (Scranton)

WEDNESDAY, December 30th - *Within the Octave of the Nativity*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

THURSDAY, December 31st – *Within the Octave of the Nativity*

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: the thanksgiving for God’s graces during the year 2009.

FRIDAY, January 1st 2010 – Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord

10:00AM – Holy Mass in **Shenandoah**; intention: God’s blessing for the New Year.

11:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville; intention: God’s blessing for the New Year.

SATURDAY, January 2nd – Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus

From apostolic times, the Church has professed that “at the name of Jesus every knee shall bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Through the particular efforts of St. Bernardine of Siena, devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus was promoted through the inscription monogram of the Holy Name (IHS) and the addition of the name Jesus to the Hail Mary.

10:00AM – Holy Mass in Frackville.

NEXT SUNDAY, January 3rd – Solemnity – Holy Family

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Andruscavage, Komara, Wasser, Wychulis families (All Souls).

- Colelction for the Seminary.

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

(Wisdom 18:14-15a; Psalm 93:2)

V. For when peaceful stillness compassed everything and the night in its swift was half spent,
Your all-powerful Word from heaven's royal bounded, a fierce warrior, into the doomed land.

R. Your throne stands firm of old; You are from everlasting, Lord.

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: Jeremiah 31:10-14

THE GRADUAL

(Psalm 45:3,2a)

V. You are the most handsome of men; fair speech has graced Your lips.

R. My heart is stirred by a noble theme, as I sing my ode to the king..

II Reading: Titus 3:4-7

THE ALLELUIA

(Psalm 93:1)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Lord is King, robed with majesty; the Lord is robed, girded with might.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:15-20

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.

Grace and truth have come to us in Jesus Christ. May almighty God continue to bless you.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

Jan. 9th, 2010 First Holy Communion Catechism Class – 9:00AM

Jan. 17th, 2010 The Annual Parish Meeting

FRACKVILLE

Feb. 7th, 2010 The Annual Parish Meeting

Feb. 15 – March 21, 2010 Easter Egg Sale Project

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** and **Joe Karvois** for help during the liturgy this year 2009.

THANK YOU very much to our Parishioners for sending Christmas wishes to the rectory. Thank you to everyone who remembers Fr. Robert and his family sending cards and all gifts during this Christmas time! May God bless 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.

PARISH COMMITTEE – Our PNCC is a democratic Church, where the members have a privilege to serve in the parish. It is a privilege and responsibility to help the church grow, and to be a member of the parish committee. If anyone is interested to help the Committee, please contact Fr. Robert or Mr. Joseph Petrusky. Thank you.



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

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Jan. 3, 2010:** sp. Andruscavage, Komara, Wasser, Wychulis families (All Souls); **Jan. 10, 2010:** sp. Cichocki & Mallick families (All Souls).



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.

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!

HUMBLE SHEPHERDS SOLEMNITY PRAYER

Blessed Christ Child in the manger, bless me with Your peace today. Blessed Jesus, let me see the radiant star – Humble shepherds stand and watch You, awaiting the Three Kings from the East. Blessed Jesus strengthen me with Your gentle grace. Blessed Jesus, smile on me, come and touch me with Your love. Amen.



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.