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**Fourth Sunday of Easter - Cycle "B"**

**May 3, 2009**

“A true friend is someone who is there for you when he’d rather be anywhere else.” – LEN WEIN

**Events for the Week**

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

**Today, May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Easter**

We shall be like Christ. So says St. John today. Jesus describes Himself as the Good Shepherd, ready to lay down His life for us. Let us, then, live our lives in Him.

**11:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: sp. **Lucille Gill**, of. by Mr. Frank Gill.

- Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary (after the Holy Mass).
- Collection for Missions.
- 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.**, Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10 or John 10:11-18 (“A”); **Tue.**, Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30;  
**Wed.**, Acts 12:24 – 13:5a; John 12:44-50; **Thu.**, Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20; **Fri.**, Acts  
13:26-33; John 14:1-6; **Sat.**, Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14

**MONDAY, May 4<sup>th</sup>** – Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross

**8:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville, litany to the BVM (Blessed Virgin Mary) after the Holy Mass.

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

**TUESDAY, May 5<sup>th</sup>** – *Easter Weekday*

**8:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville, litany to the BVM after the Holy Mass.

**THURSDAY, May 7<sup>th</sup>** – *St. Stanislaus of Kraków, Bishop & Martyr*

**8:30AM – Holy Mass** in Frackville; intention: **God’s blessing for bishop, priests and deacons of the Central Diocese**; of. by Fr. Robert & family; litany to the BVM after the Holy Mass.

**NEXT SUNDAY, May 10<sup>th</sup>** – *Fifth Sunday of Easter – Mother’s Day*

**11:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Mothers living and dead.

- Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary (after the Holy Mass).

### **Today’s liturgy**

**ASPERGES** – **Widziałem wodę** – Płynącą ze świątyni z prawego boku, alleluja, a wszyscy, do których zbliżyła się woda owa, uzdrowieni są i rzekną: Alleluja, alleluja; Wyznawajcie Pana, albowiem dobry: ponieważ na wieki miłosierdzie Jego. Chwała Ojcu i Synowi i Duchowi Świętemu, jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

### **ENTRANCE**

*(Ezekiel 34:31; Psalm 79:13)*

V. You, My sheep, you are the sheep of My pasture, and I am your God, says the Lord God. Alleluia.

**R. Then we, Your people and the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever; through all generations we will declare Your praise. Alleluia.**

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: Acts 4:8-12**

*Arrested for an act of kindness, Peter joyfully proclaims the risen Lord.*

**THE GRADUAL**

*(Isaiah 40:11)*

V. Like a shepherd He feeds His flock; in His arms He gathers the lambs, alleluia.

R. Carrying them in His bosom, and leading the ewes with care. Alleluia.

**II Reading: 1 John 3:1-2**

*St. John reflects on our present blessings and looks forward to eternal joys.*

**THE ALLELUIA**

*(1 Peter 5:4; Psalm 95:7)*

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. And when the Chief Shepherd is revealed, you will receive the unfading crown of glory. For He is our God, and we are the people He shepherds, the flock He guides.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL: John 10:11-18**

*Jesus, the Good Shepherd, willingly gives His life for the unity of us all.*

**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 Jesus, the Good Shepherd, keep you free from all danger.**

**COMING EVENTS**

**SHENANDOAH**

Sep. 11<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" & Food sale

Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> "Chinese" Auction

**FRACKVILLE**

June 12<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" sale (every two weeks)

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> "Chinese" Auction

**PLYMOUTH SENIORATE**

May 16<sup>th</sup> Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting in Hazleton, PA at 1:00PM

June 11<sup>th</sup> Corpus Christi service in Plymouth, PA (Good Shepherd PNCC) at 7:00PM

## 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.

**BLEENIE SALE** – THANK YOU very much to **Mrs. Mary Ann Hoppes, Mr. John Golba, Mr. Stanley Bulcavage, Mrs. Violet Cegielski, Mrs. Claire Mallick, Mrs. Geraldine Andrews, Mr. Jacob Komara, Mr. Julian Bednarek, Mr. John Blickley, Joe and Theresa Petrusky**, for your faithful appearance and work at our “Bleenie” and Food & Bake sale (**Friday, May 1, 2009**). We can never thank you enough for your help. Many **THANKS** for all **DONATIONS!**

**THE PARISH WEBSITE** – **The Rev. Deacon James Konicki**, Voorheesville, NY has created the website for our parish. This is his gift to our church. **THANK YOU!** The website address is: [www.holyghostpncc.org](http://www.holyghostpncc.org)

**THANK YOU** very much to **Mr. Jacob Komara** and **Mr. John Blickley** for being a lector; to **Joe Karvois**, and sisters: **Maria** and **Diana Blickley** for help at the altar, past few Sundays.



**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 other times are necessary please contact Fr. Robert.

**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.

**LITURGICAL ROLES** – Anyone interested in becoming a lector should see Father Robert after Mass or call him at the rectory. There will be preparation sessions held for those who are interested. 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 Dziedziak.

**UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS:** **May 10:** all Mothers; **May 17:** sp. Emilia and Joseph Wychulis; **May 24:** sp. Sandra Caddy; **May 31:** sp. Stanley Dzikowski; **June 7:** sp. Mary Andrulonis; **June 14:** sp. Peter Petrewicz; **June 21:** all Fathers; **June 28:** sp. Robert Zamonas; **July 5:** sp. Mary Andrulonis; **July 12** – sp. Mary Andrulonis; **July 19** – sp. Ann Kowalonek.



Sacrament of Anointing

**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.

**Holy Unction** is the sacrament in which, through the anointing with holy oil by the priest and through his prayer, a sick person receives health and strength of the soul and sometimes of the body. *Always have in the house: Crucifix, Holy Water, White Table Cloth, 2 Blessed Candles and Candlesticks, Cotton.*

**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.

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.

**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!

**SENIORATE COUNCIL MEETING** – The Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting will be held Saturday, May 16, 2009 at 1:00PM, hosted by St. John the Baptist PNCC, 748 N. Chestnut Street in Hazleton, PA. Please bring the annual seniorate dues of \$25.00. If you wish to submit additions or suggestions for the meeting agenda, please forward this to Fr. Senior by Saturday, May 9.

**Joseph, patron saint of workers,**  
Blending skill with charity,  
Silent carpenter, we praise you!  
Joining work with honesty,  
You taught Christ with joy to labor  
Sharing his nobility.  
Joseph, close to Christ and Mary,  
Lived with them in poverty,  
Shared with them their home and labor,  
Worked with noble dignity.  
May we seek God's will as you did,  
Leader of His family!  
Joseph, workmen's inspiration,  
Man of faith and charity,  
Make us honest, humble, faithful,  
Strong with Christ's true liberty,  
Make our labor and our leisure  
Fruitful to eternity!