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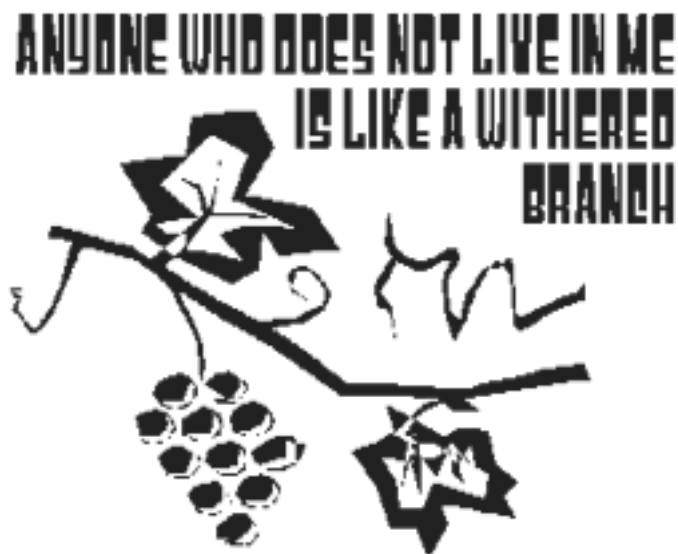
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Fifth Sunday of Easter - Cycle "B"

Mother's Day

May 10, 2009

“The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age.” – LUCILLE BALL

Events for the Week

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



Today, May 10th – Fifth Sunday of Easter – *Mother's Day*

Gathered as we are in the presence of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, let us think and pray about what it means to be the Church.

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

- Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary (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., Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26; **Tue.**, Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a; **Wed.**, Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8; **Thu.**, Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11; **Fri.**, Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17; **Sat.**, Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21

WEDNESDAY, May 13th – *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Ann Kowalonek (Grande)**, of. by Children.

SATURDAY, May 16th – *Easter Weekday*

1:00PM – Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting in St. John the Baptist PNCC at Hazleton, PA

NEXT SUNDAY, May 17th – *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

11:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Joseph and Emilia Wychulis, of. by Mrs. Anne Andruscavage, Amy Andruscavage & Mr. Jacob Komara.

- 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

(Romans 7:4; Galatians 5:22-23)

V. In the same way, my brothers, you also were put to death to the law through the body of Christ so that you may belong to another, to the One Who was raised from the dead in order that we might bear fruit for God. Alleluia.

R. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such there is no law. 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 9:26-31

Saul's visit to Jerusalem finds the disciples wary of him, but Barnabas tells them about his conversion. When he gets into an argument with some Hellenist Jews he is forced to flee to Tarsus.

THE GRADUAL

(Jeremiah 17:10)

V. I, the Lord, alone probe the mind and test the heart. Alleluia.

R. To reward everyone according to his ways, according to the merit of his deeds. Alleluia!

II Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

St. John describes the Christian life as filled with love that is real and active, not mere talk. He talks about keeping God's commandments, and affirms that whatever we ask of God we shall receive because we keep God's commandments.

THE ALLELUIA

(John 15:16a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

V. It was not you who chose Me, but I Who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

Jesus declares that He is the true vine and His Father the vinedresser. Every branch that bears no fruit is cut away.

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 you grow as branches of the true vine, bearing fruit in Christ through the Holy Spirit.

COMING EVENTS

SHENANDOAH

May 25th Memorial Day Holy Mass at the cemetery (11:00AM)

Sep. 11th "Bleenie" & Food sale

Oct. 11th "Chinese" Auction

FRACKVILLE

May 25th Memorial Day Holy Mass at the cemetery (9:00AM)

June 12th "Bleenie" sale (every two weeks)

Oct. 25th "Chinese" Auction

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

June 11th 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.

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

THANK YOU very much to **Mr. Jacob Komara** and **Mr. John Blickley** for being a lector; to **Joe Karvois**, 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 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.



Mother's Day prayer:

Almighty and merciful God and most gracious Father, You gave us our mothers for the rearing of each new generation and the fulfillment of Your purposes on earth. You poured into their hearts the great graces of faith, love and sacrifice, and chose them to be instrument of Your holy and noble aims. On this day, dedicated to the honor of our mothers, we ask that You would bless all the mothers of our congregation. Empower them to lovingly fulfill the obligations You have given them, as they look to the example of Mary, the Blessed Mother of Jesus, and to the lives of all devoted and holy women. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. Amen.

PARISH INFORMATION. **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 **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.

MEMBERS DUES 2009. 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 (18 years old+) 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 2009 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, Bleenie Sales (we had a great time last year, come out help out, join in the fun...), Chinese Auction, and Christmas Donations.