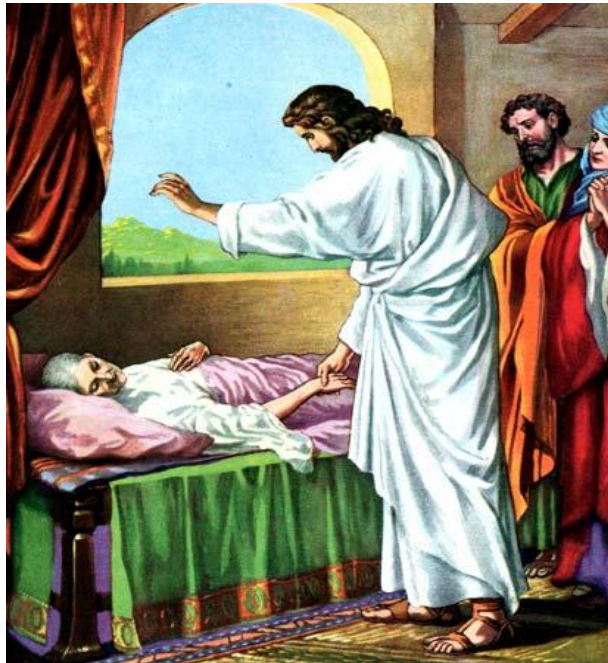


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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “B”
Czwarta Niedziela Zwykła
January 29, 2012

“Prayer is fundamental, not supplemental.”

EVENTS for the WEEK

Holy Mass – 8:45AM – Contemporary liturgy in English [page 63]

Today, January 29th – IV Sunday in Ordinary Time – Music Scholarship Sunday

We come together to celebrate the presence of the Lord among us, to hear His living word and to receive Him ever more fully into our lives.

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Edward Bulcavage**, of. by Ms. Flossy Bulcavage.

- △ Collection for Music Scholarship.
- △ “Easter Eggs” project meeting after the Holy Mass.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 2 Samuel 15:13-14.30. 16:5-13; Mark 5:1-20; **Tue.**, 2 Samuel 18:9-10.14b.24-25a.30-19:3; Mark 5:21-43; **Wed.**, 2 Samuel 24:2.9-17; Mark 6:1-6; **Thu.**, Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40; **Fri.**, Sirach 47:2-11; Mark 6:14-29; **Sat.**, 1 Kings 3:4-13; Mark 6:30-34

TUESDAY, January 31st - *Weekday*

7:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

THURSDAY, February 2nd - Solemnity – Presentation of the Lord – *Blessing of candles*

This feast was first observed in the Eastern Church as “The Encounter”. In the sixth century it began to be observed in the West: in Rome with a more penitential character and in France with solemn blessings and processions of candles. It is popularly known as “Candlemass”. The Presentation of the Lord formally concludes the celebration of the Nativity; with the offerings of the Virgin Mother and the prophecy of Simeon, the events now point toward Easter.

9:30AM – Holy Mass in Shenandoah.

10:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Marianna Zaborowska**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

FRIDAY, February 3rd - First Friday on the month

7:30AM – Holy Mass to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**; intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 5th - *V Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Charles Touchinsky, Robert Touchinsky and Leonard Brazausky, of. by

- Collection for missions.
- Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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 (Isaiah 48:17, Jeremiah 7:23b)

V. Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: ”I, the Lord, your God, teach you what is for your good, and lead you on the way you should go.”

R. Listen to My voice, then I will be your God, and you shall be My people. Walk in the ways that I command you, so that you may prosper.

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.

ENTRANCE HYMN: **Jesus, You Call Us** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 170

1. Jesus, You call us all to rejoice, even when tears well up in our eyes. So we would hearken unto Your voice, answ'ring, “Your will be done” in our lives. In times of gladness, in times of suff'ring, We want to sing the song of thanksgiving.
2. When life's dark shadow shall on us fall, clouds will conceal the light of the sun. Then at Your altar, Lord, we will call, finding our strength and consolation. Lord, we will bless You in times of suff'ring, and softly sing the song of thanksgiving.

I Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

The Lord promises to raise up a prophet like Moses to speak God's word to God's people.

The Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Expecting the world to end soon, St. Paul calls for single-minded devotion to God rather than attention to one's worldly needs

THE ALLELUIA

V. Alleluia, alleluia!

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

V. The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Jesus teaches with an authority that is validated by subduing of an evil spirit.

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come Thou Creator Spirit blest. And in our souls take up Thy rest. Come with Thy grace and wondrous aid. Fill now the hearts which Thou hast made. Come with Thy grace and wondrous aid. Fill now the hearts which Thou hast made. Amen.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH [page 71]

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

We turn to the Lord who sets His people free. So we pray with confidence that our prayers are heard.

- Let us for the Church: that through grace, she may bring the joy of God's love to the world which is in such need of health and wholeness. May we give our lives, means and talents to this service. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- Let us pray for those in Church and State who have authority over others: that they may use their power for good, give a voice to those who are oppressed, and enable all who are poor and weak to flourish. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- Let us pray for all who teach: that their authority may be drawn from that of Christ, and that all who learn from them may be inspired and enlightened by the truth. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- Let us pray for those who have died – Edward Bulcavage – that light perpetual may shine upon them; and for those who mourn their loss, that they may be comforted. **R. Lord hear our prayer.**

Creator God, author of all things, we rejoice in the knowledge of Your boundless love and compassion. May our prayers always reflect our gratitude for Your great mercy towards us and all Your creatures, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

OFFERTORY VERSE (Psalm 119:12)

V. Blessed are You, O Lord; teach me Your laws.

OFFERTORY HYMN – Morning Hymn – PNCC Hymnal, p. 195

1. Lord, this morn we raise our voices As the world in song rejoices. All the works of Your creation Join to sing in admiration.
2. You have formed us, God our Savior, Overwhelmed us with Your favor. Blessed with gifts beyond all measure, May we praise You now and ever.
3. At the moment we awaken, We will call to God in heaven When we call Him He will hear us, when we

seek Him He is near us.

COMMUNION HYMN – At Thy Door, I Come Before Thee – PNCC Hymnal p. 167, 5 verses

1. At Thy door I come before Thee, At Thy door I come before Thee. And I ask, O Lord, Thy mercy, And I ask, O Lord, Thy mercy.
2. In this Bread we now behold Thee, In this Bread we now behold Thee. Heav'n's gift, Thou Lord Almighty, Heav'n's gift, Thou Lord Almighty.
3. In this Sacrament Most Holy, In this Sacrament Most Holy. From on high, come, Lord of Glory, From on high, come, Lord of Glory.
4. In this Host, this Bread of Heaven, In this Host, this Bread of Heaven. God's Eternal Son is given, God's Eternal Son is given.
5. What a wondrous act of glory, What a wondrous act of glory. Now this bread becomes His Body! Now this bread becomes His Body!

COMMUNION VERSE (Matthew 28:18)

V. Then Jesus approached and said to them, “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.”

RECESSIONAL HYMN – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee – PNCC Hymnal, p. 228, 2 verses

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, praising The their Sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.
2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays, stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in Thee.

May the God of mercy and compassion be with you and all who are dear to you, this day and throughout the coming week.

COMING EVENTS

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Apr. 12th Diocesan Council meeting (Scranton, PA)
Oct. 11-13th, Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Feb. 20th Pastors meeting (Wilkes-Barre, PA 1:00PM)
May... Seniorate Council meeting (Shenandoah, PA)
June 7th Corpus Christi Service (Middleport, PA 7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE

Feb. 22nd Ash Wednesday Holy Mass at 7:30PM
Apr. 29th “Chinese” Auction

SHENANDOAH

Feb. 22nd Ash Wednesday Holy Mass at 6:00PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to:

- **Mrs. Betty Brazausky** and members of the Parish for preparing the altars, and the church for services;
- to **Mrs. Cindy Eickhoff** for musical preparations, and to the Choir members;
- to **Mr. James Abicunas** for being a lector,
- to the **Sunday greeters**, the people working on fundraisers.

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY - ..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.

'KOLEDA – BLESSING OF HOMES – is completed. Thank you so much for your kindness, all donations, and nice discussions.

ANS NEWS – Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society meeting will be held on **Sunday, Feb. 12** after the Holy Mass. A \$10.00 membership dues is due this month.

EASTER EGG PROJECT – St. John the Baptist Parish is asking our Parishioners for help at this fundraiser. We need everyone's prayer and help to succeed. If you feel a part of our congregation please sign your name on the list in the back of the church, including a time of a day when you may come for help. Thank you so much!!!

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY – don't forget to put out your soup pots for a special offering for the Frackville Ministerium on Super Bowl Sunday, February 5. Checks should be made out to Frackville Ministerium and mailed to: Rev. John Fields, St. Michael the Archangel Ukrainian Catholic Church, 45 S. Balliet St., Frackville, PA 17931.



CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **April 29, 2012** 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. The ANS Society is asking Parishioners for donating items for **Big** and **Small** tables. Thank you!

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father John Sielchan**, his family, and parishioners of St. Mary's Parish in St. Petersburg, FL.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – James Chistakoff – Josephine Studlick – Dorothy Halaburda – Sophia Stetts – Sarah Powanda – Joseph Makauskas - Edward Halaburda – Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - George Chesko – Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Sue Pascavage. At **Nursing Homes:** Helen Chistakoff - Eugenia Halaburda – Dolores Halaburda - **Frackville Nursing Home** – Louise Gursky (307) - Ann Lech (108) – Stanley Bulcavage (313); NY – Cecelia Pyzowski.



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.

SNOW and ICE ALERT – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth.

UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS: **Feb. 5:** sp. Charles Touchinsky, Robert Touchinsky, Leonard Brazausky; **Feb. 12:** sp. Etcho family. *Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 1 year. Thank you.*

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.



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 **8:30AM** (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.



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.

BULLETIN SPONSOR:
Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage