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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"

Dziewiętnasta Niedziela Zwykła

August 12, 2012

EVENTS for the WEEK

Holy Mass – 8:45AM – Traditional liturgy in English.

Today, August 12th – XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

In each Mass we celebrate the gift of Christ's own life to us. Yet it is also the gift of His sacrifice of that life. We cannot receive one without the other.

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Walter** and **Valeria Golba**, of. by Children.

♣ Blessing of flowers and herbs.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Ezekiel 1:2-5.24-28c; Matthew 17:22-27; **Tue.**, Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5.10.12-14; **Wed.**, Revelation 11:19a.12:1-6a.10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56; **Thu.**, Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1; **Fri.**, Ezekiel 16:1-15.60.63 or 16:59-63; Matthew 19:3-12; **Sat.**, Ezekiel 18:1-10.13b.3-32; Matthew 19:13-15

MONDAY, August 13th - *Weekday*

7:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Mary Ann Etcho**, of. by Mr. John Etcho.

WEDNESDAY, August 15th – Solemnity – Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This feast has been celebrated in the liturgy of the Eastern rites since the sixth century, and in Rome since the seventh century. This feast confirms us in the theological virtue of hope, whereby we seek our sanctification and that of others in the midst of our ordinary duties. At the same time, we are encouraged to look toward our goal in heaven.

9:00AM – Holy Mass in Shenandoah.

7:00PM – Holy Mass in Frackville, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

FRIDAY, August 17th - *Weekday*

7:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Krystyna Plichta**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 19th – XX Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Josephine Studlick, of. by Jim & Mary Stank.

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 RITE (Sirach 24:18-19; Psalm 34:9)

V. Come to Me, all you that yearn for Me, and be filled with My fruits; You will remember Me as sweeter than honey, better to have than the honeycomb.

R. Taste and see how good the Lord is; happy the man who takes refuge in Him!

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 – **Dawn is Ringing** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 243

1. Dawn is ringing with our singing, As we praise our Mary sweet; Hail this day, and let dismay be turned into a joy complete. See the wonder as we ponder her great gift from God on high; Purest Lady, all who may desire thine aid are not denied.
2. May this heart become a part of ev'ry laud to thy delight. In our need thou hast agreed to shield the poor and sick from blight. See the wonder as we ponder her great gift from God on high; Purest Lady, all who may desire thine aid are not denied.

I Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

God's angel brings food to Elijah in his state of despair.

GRADUAL (Sirach 14:20; 15:3)

V. Happy the man who mediates on wisdom and reflects on knowledge.

R. Nourish him with the bread of understanding and give him the water of learning to drink.

II Reading: Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2

We are invited to follow Christ by loving each other as He has loved us.

ALLELUIA (Revelations 2:17b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. To the victor I will give some of the hidden manna.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:41-51

Jesus is the living bread, come down from heaven.

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN – *Let Us All Draw Close* – PNCC Hymnal, p. 241

1. Let us all draw close like children and cling to the heart of Mary. Even though annoyance, hardships and thorns of our sins afflict us. With a sure stride let us meet her; With a wistful eye and heart we greet her. For the heart that knows a child's voice deflects ev'ry painful choice.
2. Oh, her heart is the most sensitive of all those of Adam's daughters. It is always open to us; it looks for us, calls us sweetly. Come, o children of the nations; And withstand the flood of weeping. Those who find me find abundant life through Jesus, Who grants salvation.
3. There beneath the cross you suffered, became ev'ry heart's own mother. So then Jesus' wounds and suffering appeased all the Father's anger. Jesus from the cross is saying, "Mother, now My life is ending. I give John to you and you to him. Be mother as I'm his brother."

COMMUNION HYMN – *Jesus, My Lord And Savior* – PNCC Hymnal, p. 159

1. Jesus, my Lord and Savior, here would I worship Thee. All that I have I give Thee for Thou didst die for me. Here in this Bread of heaven, here in this Host Divine. Thanksgiving, praise and honor be ev'ry moment Thine. All my vain pride I humble, all my poor soul I give unto my Lord and Savior that with Him I may live.
2. Hosanna in the highest! Angelic choirs do sing, Glorious praise unceasing to Christ our Lord and King. Setting for us a standard as we our songs employ, Bringing us closer to Him, filling us with His joy. He knows the tears of suffering through His own earthly life. With trembling heart we praise Him, telling Him of our strife.

RECESSIONAL HYMN – *Serdeczna Matko* – PNCC Hymnal, p. 263

1. Serdeczna Matko, Opiekunko ludzi, Niech Cię płacz sierot do litości wzbudzi. Wygnańcy Ewy do Ciebie wołamy, Zlituj się, zlituj, niech się nie tułamy.
2. Do kogóż wzdychać mamy nędzne dziatki? Tylko do Ciebie, ukochanej Matki; U której Serce otwarte każdemu, A osobliwie nędzą strapionemu.

May you be sustained, healed and enlightened by God's gift living within you.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 14th Bishops consecration (Scranton, PA)

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Oct. 11-13th Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA

FRACKVILLE

Aug. 24th "Bleenie" Sale (11:00AM - ?)

Oct. 6th Animals blessing (2:00PM)

Nov. 21st Frackville Ministerium Thanksgiving Service (St. Ann's RCC – 7:00PM)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to:

- **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.

PARISH CELEBRATION – On Sunday, **September 9**, 2012 (Solemnity of Brotherly Love), Father Robert will celebrate the Holy Mass at 8:45AM, and after Mass the Pastor will impart the **Sacrament of Holy Anointing** to everyone who would like to receive this Sacrament. Please, invite our Parishioners, Friends and every person who want to take a part of this Liturgy.

THE PARISH COMMITTEE NEXT MEETING – will be held on Monday, October 1, 2012.

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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Marian Pociecha**, his family, parishioners of All Saints Parish in Rome, NY.

THE HERITAGE PARADE – will be held on Saturday, August 25, 2012 in Shenandoah, PA. If anyone of you plan to participate actively as a Polish group, please come at 10:00AM (on that day) - St. Casimir RCC in Shenandoah.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 10 – Sandra Elsavage.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES. The Classes will start in **September 2012**. I'm asking the parents whose children were born in **2004** or older (age 8 and older) did not receive the Holy Communion, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. If your child will be 9 years old in May 2013 is eligible to receive his/her First Holy Communion.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – James Chistakoff – Dorothy Halaburda – Sophia Stetts – Sarah Powanda – Joseph Makauskas - Edward Halaburda – Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Sue Pascavage – Carolyn Boychak. At **Nursing Homes:** Helen Chistakoff – 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.

FARMER'S MARKET – On Thursday afternoons from **2:00PM to 6:00PM** Frackville Farmer's Market will

take place. Throughout the season participants will be selling fresh produce and baked goods. Location is Frack Street and Lehigh Avenue beside the Wells Fargo bank.

UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS: **Aug. 19:** sp. Josephine Studlick; **Aug. 26:** sp. Elizabeth Prock; **Sep. 2:** sp. Elizabeth Prock. **Sep. 9:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **Sep. 16:** sp. John Snokus; **Sep. 23:** PNU; **Sep. 30:** sp. John Snokus; **Oct. 21:** sp. Bertha Zimmerman; **Oct. 28:** sp. Bertha Zimmerman; **Nov. 4:** sp. Bertha Zimmerman; **Nov. 11:** sp. Bertha Zimmerman; **Nov. 18:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **Nov. 25:** sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr.; **Dec. 2:** sp. Bertha Zimmerman; **Dec. 9:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **4 Sundays** in Jan. 2013 – sp. Edward Bulcavage. *Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 1 year. Thank you.*

 **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.

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.

Polish Proverbs

Zły to ptak, który własne gniazdo kala.
The lowest bird does not dirty its own nest.

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