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**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"**

Dwudziesta Druga Niedziela Zwyczajna

**September 2, 2012**

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, September 2<sup>nd</sup> – XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The commandments help us to live in charity with God and with our neighbor.

**8:45AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Elizabeth Prock**, of. by Mr. Edward Halaburda, Mr. & Mrs. George Wycheck.

✠ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

△ Collection for missions.

### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Luke 4:16-30; **Tue.**, 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16; Luke 4:31-37; **Wed.**, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Luke 4:38-44; **Thu.**, 1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Luke 5:1-11; **Fri.**, 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 5:33-39; **Sat.**, Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16.18-23

#### **WEDNESDAY, September 5<sup>th</sup> - *Weekday***

**8:30AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

#### **THURSDAY, September 6<sup>th</sup> - *Weekday***

**8:30AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

#### **FRIDAY, September 7<sup>th</sup> - *First Friday of the month***

**11:00AM - ? - “Bleenie” Sale.**

**4:30PM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Marianna Zaborowska**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

#### **SATURDAY, September 8<sup>th</sup> - *Solemnity – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

*The Church in commemorating with a feast the birth of the BVM, celebrates the dawning of the day of the Redemption – the moment when she who was to be the Mother of our Savior was born. The Blessed Virgin occupies a unique place in the history of salvation. Heaven rejoices at her birth. The Lord reserves for her the highest mission ever entrusted to any creature. We rejoice in the certainty that the Mother of God is our Mother, too.*

**10:00AM – First Holy Communion Catechism Class** in the hall.

**11:15AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **John Snokus**, of. by Mrs. Sophia Stetts & family.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY, September 9<sup>th</sup> – *Solemnity – Brotherly Love - XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**8:45AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Mary Ann Etcho, of. by Mr. John Etcho.

### **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 (Psalm 19:8-9)**

V. The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

**R. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye.**

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 – *Amazing Grace***

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved and set me free! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
2. ‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed!

#### **I Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2.6-8**

*God gives commandments as guidelines to help the people live well. The commandments are a sign of God's*

love.

**GRADUAL (Psalm 15:2.5)**

V. He who walks blamelessly and does justice, who thinks truth in his heart.

**R. He who does these things shall never be disturbed.**

**II Reading: James 1:17-18.21-22.27**

*St. James reminds us that living virtuously is not a private affair and includes caring for those who are vulnerable.*

**ALLELUIA (Psalm 147:5)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Great is our Lord and mighty in power: to His wisdom is no limit.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23**

*Jesus teaches His hearers that there is a natural law implanted in all of us by God – this law is more important than any human legislation.*

**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 – Holy, Holy, Holy – Volume 3, #13**

1. Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee: Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.
2. Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

**COMMUNION HYMN – Hear Me Jesus – Volume 2, #24**

Come, my Jesus come, Come, my Jesus come, to my heart, so poor and humble, Come, my Jesus, come.

1. Hear me, Jesus, Gracious Savior, all my love to Thee I give, may Thy Holy precious Body in my heart forever live.
2. Come, O Holy Lord, Redeemer, come into my waiting soul, Come, O Thou Most Dearest Savior, make Thy dwelling in my soul.
3. Come, O Blessed Bread of Heaven, feed my soul eternally, Savior, may I find redemption, and forever live with Thee.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN – O Beautiful For Specious Skies**

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood. From sea to shining sea.
2. O beautiful for pilgrim's feet, whose stern, impassioned stress. A thorough fare for freedom beat, across the wilderness! America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self control, Thy liberty in law.

God has drawn near to us once again in the sacrifice of the Mass, and now sends us as witnesses to the world.

## COMING EVENTS

### GENERAL CHURCH

Sep. 14<sup>th</sup> Bishops consecration (Scranton, PA at 3:30PM)

### CENTRAL DIOCESE

Oct. 11-13<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Synod in Scranton, PA

### FRACKVILLE

Sep. 7<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" Sale (11:00AM - ?)

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> Animals blessing (2:00PM)

Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> 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 Rafal Dadelo**, his family, parishioners of the Holy Spirit Parish in Little Falls, NY.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 2 – Michael Stetts.



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 3 – Fr. Robert and Janina Plichta; September 8 – Charles Jr. and Sharon Chiao.



**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. First class will be held on **Saturday, Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012** at **10:00AM** in the parish hall.



**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:** **Sep. 9:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **Sep. 16:** sp. John Snokus; **Sep. 23:** PNU; **Sep. 30:** sp. John Snokus; **Oct. 7:** sp. Deceased members of Chiao family; **Oct. 14:** sp. Deceased members of Chiao family; **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; **Dec. 16:** sp. Melissa Chiao; **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**

Jak oczy nie widzą to serce nie boli.  
What the eyes don't see the heart doesn't feel.

### **GOSPEL'S SUMMARY**

Law and the concept of law can have a very bad image. Law can have a negative aspect, but it also can have a good one. God has implanted a natural law within us, which has an eternal aspect. The Ten Commandments are a summary of this natural law. Jesus and the gift of the Spirit are the fullness of all law.

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