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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"

Trzydziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwykła

November 4, 2012

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, November 4th – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

The essence of our belief is summed up in the two great commandments: to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and with all our strength; and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

8:45AM – Holy Mass with the reading of the *Memorial List*, intention: for sp. **Bertha Zimmerman**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Klima & family.

- ⤴ All Souls Service after the Holy Mass.
- ⤴ Collection for missions.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Philippians 2:1-4; Luke 14:12-14; **Tue.**, Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 14:15-24; **Wed.**, Philippians 2:12-18; Luke 14:25-33; **Thu.**, Philippians 3:3-8a; Luke 15:1-10; **Fri.**, Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 16:1-8; **Sat.**, Philippians 4:10-19; Luke 16:9-15

MONDAY, November 5th - *Weekday*

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

TUESDAY, November 6th - *Weekday*

8:30AM – **Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Michał** and **Maria Zaborowski, Alfons Zaborowski, Gertruda Rezmer**, of. by Janina Plichta.

FRIDAY, November 9th - *Weekday*

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

NEXT SUNDAY, November 11th – XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45AM – **Holy Mass** with the reading of the *Memorial List*, intention: for sp. Bertha Zimmerman, of. by the members of the Blessed Sacrament Society.

- ⤴ 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 RITE (Psalm 119:151-152.159)

V. You, o Lord, are near and all Your commands are permanent. Of old I know from Your decrees, that You have established them forever.

R. See how I love Your precepts, o Lord; in Your kindness give me life.

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 – Serdeczna Matko/Mother Most Gracious – PNCC Hymnal, p. 263, 1 Polish, 1 English

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. Mother most gracious, guardian of the people, May cries of orphans 'waken you to mercy. Exiles of Eve, to you we cry, o Mary, Have mercy on us; may we cease our wand'ring.

I Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

The people of Israel are called to dedicate themselves completely to God.

GRADUAL (Psalm 119:13-14.17)

V. With my lips I declare all the ordinances of Your mouth. In the way of Your decrees I rejoice, as much as in all riches.

R. Be good to Your servant, that I may live and keep Your words.

II Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Christ's power to save is utterly certain, for He remains for ever.

ALLELUIA (Psalm 119:12)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Blessed are You, o Lord; teach me Your statutes.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Mark 12:28-34

Jesus sums up His teaching with the two great commandments.

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 – Nearer, My God, to Thee – PNCC Hymnal, p. 276

1. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me; Still all my song shall be, Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer, my God to Thee, Nearer to Thee!
2. Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, darkness be over me, My rest a stone; Yet in my dreams I'd be Nearer, my God to Thee, Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!
3. There let the way appear steps unto Heav'n: All that Thou sendest me in mercy giv'n: Angels to beck on me, Nearer, my God to Thee, Nearer, my God to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

COMMUNION HYMN – Come Unto Jesus – PNCC Hymnal, p. 180

1. Come unto Jesus, Come while you may; hear how He calls you, Come now this day. How He does love you, follow His way, Gently He calls you, Come! **Refrain:** Lo, the vision wondrous to behold! He would save us from this sinful world. To heaven's blessed glory untold, O dearest Lord, we come!
2. Come, O my child, now, Come heed His call, Give Him your heart, your love and your all. He shall uplift you, lest you should fall, Gently He calls you, Come! **Refrain:**
3. Come, fallen sinner; come while you may! Christ will accept you! Do not delay! Tears of repentance He wipes away. Trust in Him only! Come! **Refrain:**

RECESSIONAL HYMN – Witaj Królowo – PNCC Hymnal, p. 282

1. Witaj Królowo nieba i Matko litości, Witaj nadziejo nasza, w smutku i żałości
2. K'tobie wygnańcy Ewy wołamy synowie, K'tobie wzdychamy płacząc z padołu więźniowie.
3. Orędowniczko nasza, racz swe litościwe Oczy spuścić na nasze serca żałośliwe.
4. I owoc błogosławion żywota Twojego, racz okazać po zejściu z świata mizernego.

May the Lord in His goodness be with you always.

COMING EVENTS

FRACKVILLE

Nov. 21st Frackville Ministerium Thanksgiving Service (St. Ann's RCC – 7:00PM)
Dec. 4th Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)

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.

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 Zbigniew Kaszubski**, his family, parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish in Webster, MA, and SS. Peter & Paul Parish in New London, CT.




HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 9 – Ted Butcavage.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: November 4 – John and Joanne Plaxa.

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

UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS: **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; **Dec. 23:** Mr & Mrs. Joseph Wolk (God's blessing); **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.

2013 CALENDAR is publishing for members of the PNCC. This calendar contains information concerning PNCC holy days. For individual orders the calendar cost is \$3.00 plus \$1.75 shipping and handling. If you pick your order at the National Church Center, there will be no shipping charge. An additional \$25.00 per order is required for ad setup for a sponsor and specific parish information regarding Sunday services, telephone numbers, names of pastor, etc. If someone is interested to purchase this calendar, please sign your name on the list on the vestibule.



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.

DUES 2012. 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 2002 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 St. John the Baptist parish and a member of the Polish National Catholic Church each adult will be responsible for paying the following:

Total dues for 2012 per Adult Member: \$79.00 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, St. Johns Fund, Fuel Fund, Cemetery Fund, Clergy/Pension Fund, Easter Egg Project Fund, Easter Donations, Flower Fund, Bleenie Sales (we had a great time last year, come out help out, join in the fun...), and Christmas Donations.

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 **THURSDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.

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.

BULLETIN SPONSOR:
Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage