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**Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"**  
**Polish Independence Day**

**November 11, 2012**

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, November 11<sup>th</sup> – XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

God's love for us, in Christ Jesus, is utterly certain, but we live in a troubled world. Our trust and our hope in the Lord is our strength.

**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.

### WEEKDAY READINGS:

**Mon.**, Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6; **Tue.**, Titus 2:1-8.11-14; Luke 17:7-10; **Wed.**, Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19;  
**Thu.**, Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25; **Fri.**, 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37; **Sat.**, 3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8

**MONDAY, November 12<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

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

**TUESDAY, November 13<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**9:00AM** – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Mary Ann Etcho...(All Souls)

**THURSDAY, November 15<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Helena Zaborowska**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

**FRIDAY, November 16<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**9:00AM** – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Edward Bulcavage...(All Souls)

**5:00PM – 6:00PM** – First Holy Communion Catechism Class.

**NEXT SUNDAY, November 18<sup>th</sup>** – *XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**8:45AM** – Holy Mass with the reading of the *Memorial List*, 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** (Sirach 29:11-12; Tobit 12:8c-9a)

V. Dispose of your treasure as the Most High commands, for that will profit you more than the gold. Store up almsgiving in your treasure house, and it will save you from every evil.

**R. It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin.**

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** – **Holy God, We Praise Thy Name** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 227

1. Holy God, we praise Thy name! Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee. Boundless is Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.
2. Hark! The loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising! Cherubim and Seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising; Fill the Heav'ns with sweet accord, Holy! Holy! Holy Lord!

**I Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16**

*In a time of famine a widow woman shows great faith in God.*

**GRADUAL** (Sirach 35:9-10; Tobit 4:8b)

V. Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one Who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold.

**R. If you have great wealth, give alms out of your abundance; if you have but little, distribute even some**

of that.

**II Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28**

*Jesus offers himself for sinners and brings salvation.*

**ALLELUIA (Sirach 3:29)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44**

*Rich scribes cheat those who are poor widow trusts in God.*

**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 – Amazing Grace – PNCC Hymnal, p. 224**

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! 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!
3. The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

**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.

**At Thy Door, I Come Before Thee – PNCC Hymnal p. 167 (if necessary)**

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. Heavn's gift, Thou Lord Almighty, Heavn'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.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN – Boże Coś Polskę/Lord God of Mercy – PNCC Hymnal, p. 8**

Boże coś Polskę przez tak liczne wieki otaczał blaskiem potęgi i chwały, Coś ją osłaniał tarczą swej opieki od nieszczęść które przygnębić ją miały. Przed Twe ołtarze zanosim błaganie: Ojczyznę wolną pobłogosław Panie. Lord God of mercy, Who for many ages blest our dear Poland with Your endless graces, You gave Your wisdom

to her bards and sages, shielded protected her throughout the ages. Before Your altars hear our supplication: Lord, we entreat You, bless our land and nation.

The Lord has gathered you from the four corners of the earth to praise His name. May He send you forth in peace and filled with joy.

### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **FRACKVILLE**

- Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> Frackville Ministerium Thanksgiving Service (St. Ann's RCC – 7:00PM)  
Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)  
Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party (4:00PM)

### **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,
- to **Victoria Plichta** for her help at the altar.

**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.

**THE NEW BABY GIRL IN THE PARISH** – **Gracie Mae Bidgood** – a daughter of Robert Bidgood and Alexis Stash was born on October 13, 2012 at 6:42PM; She was 8 lbs 13 oz and 20 inches. Congratulations! Baptism – on Sunday, December 2, 2012.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY** – will be held in our hall on **Sunday, December 16, 2012 at 4:00PM**. Anyone who would like to participate, please sign your name and ... what kind of food you will bring on the list in the back of the church. Please, purchase some gifts for your own children only. Deadline is **December 9**. Thank you.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Paul Lukaszewicz**, his family and parishioners of Church of the Transfiguration Parish in New Britain, CT.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 14 – William Cabulis; November 17 – Jocelyn Payne.



**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 (205) – 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. 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.

**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.

### **NOVEMBER 11 – POLISH INDEPENDENCE DAY**

National Independence Day is the most important Polish national holiday. On November 11, 1918, after 123 years of captivity, Poland regained its independence.

After years of partitions done by Austria, Prussia and Russia between 1772 and 1795, national uprisings (November Uprising of 1830 and January Uprising of 1863), struggles and efforts in various fields, Poles, owing to their steadfastness, patriotism and heroism, managed to regain their freedom. Józef Piłsudski, "First Marshal of Poland", played an enormous role in Poland's recovery of sovereignty.

The date of 11 November was announced a national holiday in 1937. Since 1939 to 1989, celebration of the holiday was forbidden. After the collapse of communist government, the holiday gained particular significance and it is now a red letter day.

Major celebrations, attended by Polish State authorities, are held in Warsaw at Piłsudski Square. Sharply at noon, a ceremonious change of guards takes place before the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Patriotic gatherings and parades are held all over Poland. Churches celebrate masses with the intentions of the Homeland. Since 1989 every year several thousands of volunteers have taken part in the Race of Independence to commemorate the day.

Current president of Poland, Bronisław Komorowski, announced in 2011 that he will lead the 2012 "Independence March" if organizers would let him to do so.

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