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**Polish National Catholic Church**

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**Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle “B”  
Solemnity – Christ the King**

**November 25, 2012**

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, November 25<sup>th</sup> – Solemnity – Christ the King - XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Christ is our King!” Today we celebrate and reflect on this great truth. May we come to know more deeply what it means to let Jesus rule our lives, and so come to the true freedom of His royal family.  
**8:45AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. **Bernard Halaburda Jr.**, of. by Halaburda & Elsavege family.

### WEEKDAY READINGS:

**Mon.**, Revelation 14:1-3.4b-5; Luke 21:1-4; **Tue.**, Revelation 14:14-19; Luke 21:5-11; **Wed.**, Revelation 15:1-4; Luke 21:12-19; **Thu.**, Revelation 18:1-2.21-23;19:1-3.9a; Luke 21:20-28; **Fri.**, Romans 10:9-18; **Matthew 4:18-22**; **Sat.**, Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36

### TUESDAY, November 27<sup>th</sup> – *Weekday*

**9:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Keim, Staneck families...(All Souls).

### WEDNESDAY, November 28<sup>th</sup> - *Weekday*

**9:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr...(All Souls)



### FRIDAY November 30<sup>th</sup> – Feast – St. Andrew, Apostle

*Born at Bethsaida, he was a disciple of John the Baptist before he became a follower of Christ, to whom he also brought his brother, Peter. According to tradition, he preached the Gospel in Greece and in year 60 was crucified in Patras on an X-shaped cross. He is a patron saint of Russia and Scotland.*

**Patron Saint of:** fishermen

**9:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

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

### NEXT SUNDAY, December 2<sup>nd</sup> - I Sunday of Advent

**8:45AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for sp. Bertha Zimmerman, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Onisick & family.

- **Baptism** – Gracie Mae Bidgood.
- Collection for missions.

**2:00PM** – Frackville Elks Memorial Service.

### 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** (Sirach 18:3; Psalm 22:28-29)

V. The Lord guides the world with a turn of His hand, and all things obey His will. For He is King of all, and by His power He separates what is holy from what is not.

**R. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; All the families of the nations shall bow down before Him. For dominion is the Lord's, and He rules the nations.**

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: Crown Him With Many Crowns**

1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; His regal scepter knows no bounds, all kingdoms are his own. All Christians, come and sing to him who died for thee, and hail him as thy Savior King for all eternity.
2. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave; in death he bore our ev'ry strife and hope to sinners gave. Our homage now we sing to him who rose on high: He came eternal life to bring and now

no more to die.

**I Reading: Daniel 7:13-14**

*In his mysterious vision, Daniel glimpses the peace and unity of God's kingdom. At the centre of his vision is a figure of a man who is divinely given kingship – a foreshadowing of Jesus.*

**The Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is King, He is robed in majesty.**

**II Reading: Revelation 1:5-8**

*In a revelation of the last things, this reading calls us to look beyond the here and now to Christ's eternal reign. All things are drawn to Him and in His love we are made a royal priesthood.*

**ALLELUIA (Mark 11:9,10)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel: John 18:33-37**

*At the end of His life, Jesus stands before Pilate as both powerless and king. His kingship is not of this world, but draws us into truth.*

**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**

**Christ's rule** in our lives brings us peace and freedom. With confidence we turn to Him with all our needs.

- Let us pray for the Church, and especially for those in positions of authority among God's people: may we always know the power and love of Christ's kingship. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- We pray for the world, torn apart by conflicting powers: that people of goodwill may increase Christ's rule in places of struggle and need. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- We remember especially today all young people: may they have hearts open to God's will for them, and play their parts in the building up of the kingdom. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- Let us pray for those who are sick, sad or lonely: may the majesty of God's love for them console and heal them.

- For our friends and relatives who have died – **sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr.:** they may come quickly home to their Father's house. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

**Heavenly Father,** we bring these and all the prayers of our hearts to You. Teach us, as we place our trust in You, to live lives worthy of Your royal household, through Christ, our Lord and King. **R. Amen.**

**OFFERTORY HYMN – Come and Worship**

Come and worship, royal priesthood. Come and praise Him, Holy Nation. Worship Jesus, our Redeemer. He is precious, King of glory /3 times

**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 – Hail, Redeemer, King Divine**

1. Hail, Redeemer King divine! Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine; King whose reign shall never cease, Prince of everlasting peace. **Refrain:** Angels, saints and nations sing: “Praised be Jesus Christ, our King; Lord of earth and sky and sea, King of love on Calvary”.
2. Christ, thou King of truth and might, be to us eternal light, till in peace nation rings with thy praises, King of kings. **Refrain:**

Go out from this place as sharers in Christ's own kingship, building the kingdom of His truth and love in all you do and say.

### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **FRACKVILLE**

- 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.

**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.

**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.

**BLESSING OF HOMES 2013** – Father Robert asks our Parishioners and Friends who need a blessing for their home, please sign your name on the list in the vestibule. Deadline is Sunday, **December 9**, 2012.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Paul Dudek**, his family, and parishioners of Holy Savior Parish in Union City, CT.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 28 – Joanne Plaxa; November 29 – Michelle Boychak; November 30 – Crystin Stetts.


**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.

**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.

**UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS:** **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.

 **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 REMINDER.** 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.



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