

**St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church
90th Anniversary of Organizing**

414 West Oak Street, Frackville, PA 17931

Rectory: 570-874-1960

Pastor - Rev. Robert Plichta, M.Th., M. in Canon Law

Website: www.stjohnpncc.org

E-mail: robertb1@ptd.net

PNCC website: www.pncc.org

Central Diocese website: www.centraldiocesepncc.org

PNU website: www.pnu.org

Prime Bishop of the PNCC – **Most Rev. Dr. Anthony A. Mikovsky**

Bishop Ordinary of the Central Diocese – **Rt. Rev. Bernard J. Nowicki**

Plymouth Seniorate Administrative Senior – **Very Rev. Thaddeus Dymkowski**

Parish Committee Chairman – **Mr. Edward Halaburda**



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Druga Niedziela Zwyczajna

January 20, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, January 20th – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus graced with His presence a wedding at Cana. It's with that same presence that we are blessed today at this Mass.

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Edward Bulcavage**, of. by Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage & family.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22; **Tue.**, Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28; **Wed.**, Hebrews 7:1-3.15-17; Mark 3:1-6; **Thu.**, Hebrews 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12; **Fri.**, Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mark 16:15-18; **Sat.**, Hebrews 9:2-3.11-14; Mark 3:20-21

MONDAY, January 21st - *Weekday*

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

WEDNESDAY, January 23rd - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Edward Bulcavage**, of. by Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage & family.

7:00PM – **Christian Unity Service** – **St. Ann's RCC**

THURSDAY, January 24th - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass

FRIDAY, January 25th - **Conversion of St. Paul – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends**

The conversion of Saul of Tarsus while he was on his way to Damascus is one of the most touching miracles in the history of the early Church. It shows us how faith comes from grace and from one's free cooperation. The doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ receives proof and a clear illustration when Christ says, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" We should realize that the best way to hasten the unity of all Christians is to foster our own daily personal conversion.

9:00AM – Holy Mass for Christian Unity.

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

NEXT SUNDAY, January 27th – **III Sunday in Ordinary Time – Music Scholarship Sunday**

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. **Edward Bulcavage**, of. by Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage & family.

▲ Collection for Music Scholarships.

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 (John 2:11)

V. Jesus did this as the beginning of His signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed His glory.

R. And His disciples began to believe 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 – **Lord, Forsake Us Not** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 175

1. Lord, forsake us not; Lord forsake us not; Jesus, Lord, forsake us not. Leave us not in desolation 'Mid earth's fall and devastation. Lord of love, bind us about You, For we cannot live without You.
2. Lord, forsake us not; Lord forsake us not; Jesus, Lord, forsake us not. Where can we find consolation? Where find reconciliation? Where allay the tears of sadness. Where discover joy and gladness?

I Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

The prophet speaks of Jerusalem's glorious future, when the Lord will address her as "My Delight" and her land as "The Wedded".

GRADUAL (Hebrews 2:4; Psalms 22:26)

V. God added His testimony by signs, wonders, various acts of power, and distribution of the gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His will.

R. I will offer praise in the great assembly; my vows I will fulfill before those who fear Him.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

There are many gifts and many ministries, but one God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – is at work in them all.

ALLELUIA (John 8:12)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

At a marriage feast in Cana of Galilee, Jesus gives His first “sign” and begins to reveal Himself.

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 – Morning Hymn – PNCC Hymnal, p. 195

1. Lord, this morn we raise our voices As the world in song rejoices. All the works of Your creation Join to sing in admiration.
2. You have formed us, God our Savior, Overwhelmed us with Your favor. Blessed with gifts beyond all measure, May we praise You now and ever.
3. At the moment we awaken, We will call to God in heaven When we call Him He will hear us, when we seek Him He is near us.

COMMUNION HYMN – Hallowed Be Forever – PNCC Hymnal, p. 155

1. Hallowed be forever, Living Host Divine, In which Christ our Savior hidden is sublime. **Refrain:** Hail Thou Jesus, Son of Mary, Thou art God eternal, Won'drous mystery.
2. Hallowed be forever, Thou Angelic Bread, Sacrament Most Holy, by which we are fed. **Refrain:**
3. Hallowed be forever, Shepherd Crucified, For us Thou didst suffer, for us Thou hast died. **Refrain:**
4. Hallowed be forever, ris'n in victory, In this Bread Most Holy we would worship Thee. **Refrain:**

RECESSIONAL 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!

May God strengthen you and give you joy in His service. May the Son inspire you with the desire to do whatever He tells you. May the Holy Spirit fill you with the fire of love.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Feb. 11th Pastor's meeting – Middleport, PA (1:00PM)

Apr. 27th Seniorate Council Meeting – Edwardsville, PA (1:00PM)

May 30th Corpus Christi Service – Frackville, PA (7:00PM)

Sep. 29th 90th Anniversary Celebration of Organizing St. John the Baptist PNCC in Hazleton, PA

Oct. ... 90th Anniversary Celebration of Organizing SS. Peter & Paul PNCC in McAdoo, PA.

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 7:00PM)

Feb. 13th Ash Wednesday – 7:30PM
March 3rd Annual Parish Meeting after 11:00AM Holy Mass
May 18th First Holy Communion Day (Saturday)
May 30th Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES – 7:00PM

February 20th – St. Ann's RCC
February 27th – First United Methodist Church
March 6th – St. Peter's United Church of Christ
March 13th – Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church
March 20th – St. John the Baptist PNCC

SHENANDOAH

Feb. 13th Ash Wednesday – 6:00PM

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.

THANK YOU very much to our Parishioners who came last Thursday to remove Christmas decorations.

PASTORAL VISIT & HOME'S BLESSING 2013 is completed. Thank you for your nice words and all donations. If I missed someone, and you'd like your home to be blessed, please contact Fr. Robert as soon as possible.

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.

SNOW and ICE ALERT – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Raymond Drada**, his family and parishioners of All Saints Parish in Sterling Heights, MI.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: January 20 – Sherri Larson; January 21 – Lucas Tokarczyk; January 25 – Dolores Halaburda.





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 – John Kruk – Charles Chiao Jr. 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: Jan. 23 (Wed.): sp. Edward Bulcavage; **Jan. 27:** sp. Edward Bulcavage; **Feb. 3:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho. *Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 3 months. 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.

THE HAND WASHING RITUAL

Before eating, Jewish people must ritually wash their hands, as follows: They first must fill a spoutless vessel with water. Then they pour the water over the round smooth rim, onto their hands. The most common practice is to pour first over the right hand three times, then the left three times, using up all the water. Finally they dry their hands and recite a blessing. If they leave the table for any reason during the meal, this process must be repeated. There is no wonder that so many stone jars of water were handy, when Jesus changed the water into wine.

BULLETIN SPONSOR:
Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage