St. John the Baptist Parish

Polish National Catholic Church

90th Anniversary of Organizing

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Seventh Sunday of Easter - "C" Mother's Day

May 12, 2013

EVENTS for the **WEEK**

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

Today, May 12th - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day

The Lord calls on us to be united in Gods' love and to serve others with love.

Saturday, May 11th – 5:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for sp. Jan Zaborowski, of. by Mr. James Abicunas and Ms. Elizabeth Greenman.

8:45AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all Mothers.

- Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Mother's Day Surprise in the hall. Everyone are welcome.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33; Tue., Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a; Wed., Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19; Thu., Acts 22:30. 23:6-11; John 17:20-26; Fri., Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19; Sat., Acts 28:16-20.30-31; John 21:20-25

TUESDAY, May 14th - Easter Weekday

9:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Antonina and Paweł Jaskowiak, of. by Janina Plichta.

WEDNESDAY, May 15th - Easter Weekday

6:00PM - Choir practice before the First Holy Communion

THURSDAY, May 16th - Easter Weekday

9:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Jan Zaborowski, of. by Mrs. Christina Pukas.

FRIDAY, May 17th - Easter Weekday

9:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Jan Zaborowski, of. by Mrs. Judith Touchinsky.

6:00PM - The Sacrament of Penance for Children and practice before their First Holy Communion.

SATURDAY, May 18th - Easter Weekday

10:00AM – First Holy Communion Mass, intention: for Michaela Chiao and Victoria Plichta (God's blessing for them and their families)

5:00PM - Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 19th - Solemnity of Pentecost

8:45AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Mary Ann Etcho, of. by Husband, Mr. John Etcho.

Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Today's liturgy

<u>ASPERGES</u> (PNCC Hymnal p. 5) – Widziałem wodę – Płynącą ze świątyni z prawego boku, alleluja, alleluja, alleluja. A wszyscy, których tknęła woda, uzdrowieni są i rzekną:Alleluja, Alleluja, Alleluja. Wyznawajcie Pana, albowiem dobry, ponieważ na wieki miłosierdzie Jego. Chwała Ojcu, i Synowi, i Duchowi Świętemu. Jak była na początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków, Amen. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Ephesians 4:1-3)

V. Live in a manner worthy of the call you have received. Alleluia.

R.With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace. Alleluia.

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 - Idźmy Tulmy Się Jak Dziatki/Let Us All Draw Close - PNCC Hymnal, p. 241

Idźmy tulmy się jak dziatki, do serca Maryi Matki. Czy nas nęka życia trud, czy to winy czerni brud; Idźmy, idźmy ufnym krokiem, rzewnym sercem, łzawym okiem, Serce to zna dzieci głos, odwróci bolesny cios.

Let us all draw close like children and cling to the heart of Mary. Even though annoyance, hardhips and thorns of our sins afflict us. With a sure stride let us meet her; With a wistful eye and heart we great her. For the heart that knows a child's voice deflects ev'ry painful choice.

I Reading: Acts 7:55-60

This is the record of the first martyrdom of a disciple of Christ. Stephen is filled with the Holy Spirit and sees Christ as he is condemned to death.

GRADUAL (Acts 2:46-47)

- V. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. Alleluia.
- R. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 22:12-14.16-17.20

People who have shown heroic faith are assured of Christ's power and love.

ALLELUIA (Colossians 1:17)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
- V. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

On the last evening of Jesus' earthly life, He prays for future generations of believers.

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 - Alleluia! Christ is Risen - PNCC Hymnal, p. 118

- Alleluia! Christ is risen! From the grave which was His prison! Death's dark sleep is ended now, Death's dark sleep is ended now.
- Alleluia! He has vanquished. Mankind's sin which us imprisoned. In such slav'ry shamefully, In such slav'ry shamefully.
- Alleluia! Truth has triumphed, mean deceit is surely dying. Truth reigns over earth now freed, truth reigns over earth now freed.

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

- 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!
- 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:
- 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 - Cześć Maryi/Hail, Dear Mary - PNCC Hymnal, p. 236

Cześć Maryi, cześć i chwała Pannie świętej cześć. Śpiewaj, śpiewaj, dziatwo mała, hołd jej spiesz

się nieść. Śpiewaj, śpiewaj, dziatwo mała, hołd jej spiesz się nieść.

Hail, dear Mary, praise and glory unto you we bring. Sing, o child, in exultation, of her virtues sing. Sing, o child, in exultation, of her virtues sing.

Let us be inspired by the risen Christ and the Holy Spirit to be energetic, hopeful and faithful witnesses in the world.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

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

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

May 17th Sacrament of Penance before the First Holy Communion (6:00PM)

May 18th First Holy Communion Day (Saturday 10:00AM)
May 27th Memorial Day Mass (11:00AM) in the church
May 30th Seniorate Corpus Christi Service (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;
- to Victoria and Veronica for their help at the altar last Saturday.

<u>PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY</u> - ..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.

<u>FUNDRAISER HELP</u> – the time is approching for "bleenie" sales to begin. However, we need people to help do these sales. In the back of the church is a sign up list. Please, do not sign if we can't count on you being there to do your job. Whether or not this project will take place depends upon the number of people committed to help.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for Father Mark Raya and his family.



<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</u> Birthday best wishes are extended to: May 14 – Nicole Lahutsky; May 15 – Shannon Keim; May 18 – James Chistakoff.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: May 14 - Al and Louise

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK - especially for - James Chistakoff - Sophia Stetts - Sarah Powanda - Joseph Makauskas - Edward Halaburda - Dorothy Halaburda - Helen Hopko - Paul Elsavage - John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage - Sharon Chiao - Sue Pascavage - Carolyn Boychak - Anna Folta - John Kruk - Charles Chiao Jr. - Donna Kolwicz. 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.

<u>DEATH NOTICE</u> – Father John M. Druther passed away on Thursday, May 9, 2013 in Scranton, PA. His funeral will take place on Monday, May 13 in Dickson City, PA. *Eternal rest grant unto him*, *o Lord...*

<u>UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS:</u> May 19: sp. Mary Ann Etcho; May 26: sp. Vera Pilo; June 2: sp. Vera Pilo; June 9: Fr. Robert 25th Anniversary of Ordination. <u>Please, do not order the mass intentions ahead of 3 months</u>. 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.

<u>RECEIVING THE HOLY EUCHARIST</u> — 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.

HOW GOD CREATED MOTHER?

God took the fragrance of a flower, The majesty of a tree; The gentleness of morning dew, The calm of a quiet sea,
The beauty of a twilight hour,
The soul of a starry night,
The laughter of the rippling brook,
The grace of a bird in flight,
Then God fashioned from these things
A creation like no other,
And when His masterpiece was through,
He called it simply...MOTHER

BULLETIN SPONSOR: Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage