

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

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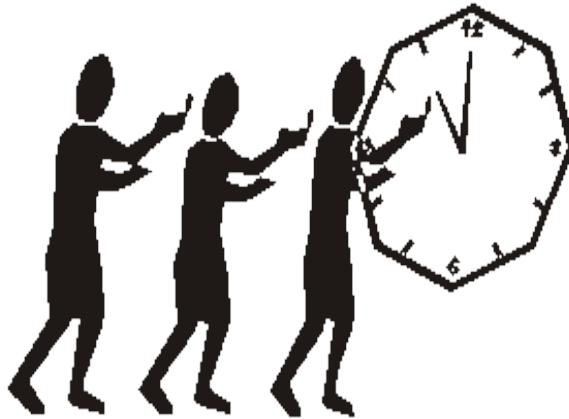
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Parish Committee Chairman – **Mr. James Chistakoff**



*Be like servants awaiting
their Master's return*

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Dziewiętnasta Niedziela Zwykła

August 11, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, August 11th – XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

How hard it is to be patient! We like so much to see immediate results. Our Gospel reminds us to wait patiently for the Lord's coming, and to be faithful as we wait.

5:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Stanley Bulcavage**, of. by the Boychack's Family.

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Josephine Studlick**, of. by Mrs. Barbara Davis.

^ Blessed Sacrament Society meeting in the hall.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Deuteronomy 10:12-22; Matthew 17:22-27; **Tue.**, Deuteronomy 31:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5.10.12-14;
Wed., Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20; **Thu.**, Revelation 11:19a.12:1-6a.10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-
27; Luke 1:39-56; **Fri.**, Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12; **Sat.**, Joshua 24:14-29; Matthew 19:13-15

MONDAY, August 12th – *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: Sp. **Krystyna Plichta**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

TUESDAY, August 13th – *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Helena Zaborowska**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

WEDNESDAY, August 14th – *Weekday*

6:30PM – Choir practice before the Anniversary Mass. Choir members and those who would like to help to sing are invited.

THURSDAY, August 15th – Solemnity – Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of obligation) – *Blessing of flowers & herbs*

7:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

SATURDAY, August 17th – *Weekday*

2:00PM – Ordination Mass in Dupont, PA

7:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Dorothy Halaburda**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Chiao Jr.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 18th – XX Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45AM – Holy Mass – intention: for Sp. Lucille Greenman, of. by Ms. Elizabeth Greenman.

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 (Psalms 28:7; 105:7-8)

V. The Lord is my strength and my shield, in Whom my heart trusted and found help. So my heart rejoices; with my song I praise my God.

R. The Lord is our God who rules the whole earth. He remembers forever His covenant, the pact imposed for a thousand generations, which was made with Abraham, confirmed by oath to Isaac, and ratified as binding for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel.

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 – Hear Thou Our Prayer – Volume 3, #2

Hear Thou our pray'r so humble; Lord as we come to Thee. Each yearning heart seeks comfort, Lord thy children call to Thee! From earthly evils protect us. Ever our guardian be. O send Thy light to guide us. That we may follow Thee, Ever may follow Thee.

I Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

This reading retells the rescue of the Hebrew people, and reassures us that we too will similarly be called by God.

GRADUAL (Hebrews 11:1-2; Proverbs 3:5-6)

V. Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Because of it ancients were well attested.

R. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence rely not; in all your ways be mindful of Him, and He will make straight your paths.

II Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19

The writer tells of the deep trust in God of Abraham and Sarah.

ALLELUIA (Hebrews 11:6b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Anyone who approaches God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-48

We are the stewards of the Lord's house, and He is on His way back to see how faithful we have been.

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 – Christ Be Beside Me – Binder

1. Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, never to part.
2. Christ in my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, light of my life.
3. Christ be in all hearts thinking about me, Christ be on all tongues telling of me. Christ be the vision in eyes that see me, in ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

COMMUNION HYMN – O Lord, I Am Not Worthy – Volume 3, #54

1. O Lord I am not worthy that Thou shouldst come to me, but speak the words of comfort, my spirit healed shall be.
2. And humbly I'll receive Thee, the Bridegroom of my soul, no more by sin to grieve Thee, or fly Thy sweet control.
3. O Sacrament most Holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving, be ev'ry moment Thine.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN – Lord, When You Came

1. Lord, when you came to the seashore you weren't seeking the wise or wealthy, but only asking that I might follow. **Refrain:** O Lord, in my eyes you gazing, kindly smiling, my name you were saying; all I treasured, I have left on the sand there; close to you, I will find other seas.
2. Lord, you knew what my boat carried: Neither money nor weapons for fighting, but nets for fishing, my daily labor. **Refrain:**

RECESSIONAL HYMN – Through the Years – PNCC Hymnal, p. 2

1. Through the years unto Thee, o Lord, Faithful service we have rendered, At the break of dawn marched sunward, At the chains of bondage straining, At the chains of bondage straining.
8. Would to God we be faithful ever, Would to God this sacred banner In our souls and hearts be opened, Until

death our life does sever, Until death our life does sever.

May the Lord sustain and encourage you as you strive, day by day, to carry out His will.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

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)

First Sunday of each month – coffee & cake after the Mass

Aug. 23rd “Bleenie” Sale (11:00AM - ?)

Sep. 22nd 90th Anniversary of our Parish Organizing celebration (3:00PM)

Oct. 5th Animals blessing at the parking (2:00PM)

Nov. 3rd “Chinese” Auction

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**.

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.

THANK YOU for your continued support of the “**Bleenie**” project. Thank you very much to all of you for your hard work last Friday! Special “thanks” to all of you who came for frying bleenies! Thank you for all donations also. Everyone’s help is needed with these sales – even if you can only give a half-hour of your time. It takes all of us working together to make these sales a success. Thank you to all of you who really care for your Parish! Thank you so much to **those who are not members** for their great help! See you Sunday, and hopefully at the next sale :). Thank you to our Parishioners for painting new advertising boards! Glory To God In The Highest!

CHURCH & RECTORY NEWS – **Mr. James Chistakoff** donated the marble countertop for the altar and new steps were installed from Memorial Fund of **Sp. Edward Halaburda** at the cemetery. **Mr. John** and **Mrs. Joanne Plaxa** purchased the new telephone system, and **Mr. Charles Chiao** helped to installed it. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

90th ANIVERSARY CELEBRATION – Our Parish celebrates the 90th Anniversary of Organizing (1923-2013). The special Anniversary Holy Mass will take place in our church on **Sunday, September 22, 2013** at **3:00PM**, reception will follow after the Mass. **The Main Celebrant – the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. Nowicki**, Bishop Ordinary of the Central Diocese. The Clergy of the Plymouth Seniorate will concelebrate the Mass together with the Bishop. As of today **47 people** responded positively.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Felix Pyzowski**, his family and parishioners of St. Joseph Mission in Belle Vernon, PA.




HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 17 – Sandra Elsavage.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – James Chistakoff – Sophia Stetts – Sarah Powanda


– Joseph Makauskas - 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); 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.




CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **November 3, 2013** in the parish hall. We are asking all parishioners to help with the fundraiser by donating **new items** for this event. We are also appealing to you for your help. Everyone's help is needed especially on the day of the auction.

UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS: **Aug. 17:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Aug. 18:** sp. Lucille Greenman; **Aug. 24:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Aug. 25:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Aug. 31:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Sep. 1:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Sep. 7:** sp. Stanley Bulcavage; **Sep. 8:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Sep. 14:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Sep. 15:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Sep. 21:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Sep. 22:** Spójnia Sunday; **Sep. 28:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Sep. 29:** sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk; **Oct. 5:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Oct. 6:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Oct. 12:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Oct. 13:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Oct. 19:** sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk; **Oct. 20:** sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Oct. 26:** sp. Melissa Chiao; **Oct. 27:** sp. Edward Halaburda; **Nov. 3:** sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk; **Nov.10:** sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk; **Nov. 24:** sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr. **Please, do not order the mass intentions until the end of September.** *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.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

 **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.

PNCC APPEAL – for funds and assistance to the Żarki parish (birthplace of Prime Bishop Francis Hodur) was considered during the December 2012 PNU Borad meeting. This appeal related to necessary refurbishment and maintenance on the parish rectory and the church structure. Based on the appeal, the Board of Directors authorized PNU CEO Irene L. Jugan and PNU CFO John C. Andrzejewski to work with PNCC Prime Bishop Anthony A. Mikovsky to organize a fundraising campaign with a goal of **\$50,000 USD**. The PNU Board was the first to contribute **\$1,000 USD** toward this goal. On behalf of the Prime Bishop, the PNU Board of Directors, CEO Jugan and CFO Andrzejewski, this appeal is being sent to PNCC members asking for their participation in this important fundraising effort. Tax deductible contributions should be made payable in USD to: **PNCC – Zarki 50th Ann.**, and mailed to:

Polish National Union of America
Attention: Zarki 50th Anniversary Fund
1006 Pittston Avenue

Scranton, PA 18505

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