

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

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**Do to others as you would
have them do to you.**

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Solemnity – Brotherly Love

September 8, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, September 8th – Solemnity – Brotherly Love - XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

On this day members of the PNCC and the PNU of America strive to increase their faith and spirituality, and their love for all God's people, they express a desire to live daily the Two Commandments of Love.

5:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Stanley Bulcavage**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. George Wycheck.

8:45AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Edward Halaburda**, of. by Mrs. Eugenia Tyrrell & Mr. Lance Nelson.

^ Blessed Sacrament Society meeting after the Mass.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16.18-23; **Tue.**, Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 6:12-19; **Wed.**, Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 6:20-26; **Thu.**, Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 6:27-38; **Fri.**, 1 Timothy 1:1-2.12-14; Luke 6:39-42; **Sat.**, Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

MONDAY, September 9th – Solemnity – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Marianna Zaborowska**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

WEDNESDAY, September 11th - 12th Anniversary of 9/11/2001

9:00AM – Holy Mass

6:30PM – Choir practice before the Anniversary Mass.

THURSDAY, September 12th - *Weekday*

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for

SATURDAY, September 14th – Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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

5:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Edward Halaburda**, of. by the Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 15th – XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time.

8:45AM – Holy Mass – intention: for Sp. Dorothy Halaburda, of. by Ms. Angela Elsavege.

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 (1 John 4:7,9)

V. Beloved, let us love one another, because love is God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

R. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through 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 – **Idźmy Tulmy Się Jak Działki/Let Us All Draw Close** – PNCC Hymnal, p. 241

Idźmy tulmy się jak działki, do serca Maryi Matki. Czy nas nęka życia trud, czy to winy czerni brud; Idźmy, idźmy ufny 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, hardships and thorns of our sins afflict us. With a sure stride let us meet her; With a wistful eye and heart we greet her. For the heart that knows a child's voice deflects ev'ry painful choice.

I Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

GRADUAL (Luke 17:3b-4)

V. If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

R. And if he wrongs you seven times in one day and returns to you seven times saying, "I am sorry," you should forgive him.

II Reading: 1 John 4:17-21

ALLELUIA (John 15:17)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. This I command you: love one another.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, come, let this be Your home; come and dwell among all of us who sing this song. Come into this place, shine on ev'ry face, fill us with Your love and grace, Holy Spirit come. Come and dwell among us. 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 – 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:**

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:**
3. Lord, have you need of my labor, hands for service, a heart made for loving, my arms for lifting the poor and broken. **Refrain:**

CLOSING HYMN – In Thy Protection – PNCC Hymnal, p. 210

1. Pod Twą obronę, Ojczy na niebie grono Twych dzieci swój powierza los. Ty nam błogosław, ratuj w potrzebie i broń od zguby, gdy zagraża cios.
2. In Thy protection, Father in heaven, Lo, we Thy children, place our life, our all. Lord, wilt Thou bless us, save us from temptation, keep us from danger, lest in sin we fall.

May the support of the Father, the healing of the Son and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit be with you.

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

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

Sep. 27th “Bleenie” Sale (11:00AM - ?)

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**.

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 **our Friends**, who are not members of our parish, but who came to help us! See you Sunday, and hopefully at the next sale.

Thank you so much to everyone for preparing food and for all kind of donations for the Community Yard Sale held yesterday. Thanks a lot to our Parishioners and Friends for your participation.

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.

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. **89 people** responded positively.

PARISH NEWS INFO – Cleaning up and setting up the hall for **the dinner** will begin on **Tuesday, Sep. 17th** thru **Sep. 21st**. Anyone able to help whenever. Washing dishes, cleaning floor, removing unpleasant items, setting tables and chairs, dressing tables, etc.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Luciano Bruno**, his family and parishioners of Santo Spirito Parish in Sabaudia, Italy.

Sunday, October 13, 2013 at 5:00PM, at Shenandoah Valley High School – **Mr. John Etcho** will be awarded: Sports Hall of Fame. He played and excelled in three sports: football, baseball and basketball for Mahanoy Township. Congratulations, Mr. John! Tickets \$20.00 per person, please contact Mrs. Sharon Chiao at: 570-773-2782.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 9 – Judith Touchinsky; September 11 – Edmund Hessert, Sophia Stetts; September 12 – John Keim.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 8 – Charles and Sharon Chiao.



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: **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. 17:** sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **Nov. 24:** sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr. **Please, do not order the mass intentions until the end of September.** Thank you.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES. The Classes will start in **October 2013**. I'm asking the parents whose children was not confirmed, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. The minimum age for Confirmation is 14. Students who will be 14 years old or older in May 2015 are eligible to take confirmation classes. The course is two years, as required by the Church and will be completed in Spring of the year 2015.



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.

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



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.

BULLETIN SPONSOR:
Mrs. Flossy Bulcavage