

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

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Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Dwudziesta Siódma Niedziela Zwyczajna

October 6, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, October 6th – XXVII Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Paul tells us that we have been given a great gift – our faith – which we are to fan into a flame. We gather this day to renew our thanksgiving for the many gifts we have been given.

Saturday, 5:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Edward Halaburda**, of. by Mrs. Betty Brazausky.

8:45AM – Holy Mass – intention: for Sp. **Dorothy Halaburda**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Boychak.

- ^ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ^ Collection for missions.
- ^ Coffee & Cake after the Mass.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 1:12-14; Luke 1:26-38; **Tue.**, Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 10:38-42; **Wed.**, Jonah 4:1-11; Luke 11:1-4;

Thu., Malachi 3:13-20b; Luke 11:5-13; **Fri.**, Joel 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Luke 11:15-26; **Sat.**, Joel 4:12-21; Luke 11:27-28

MONDAY, October 7th - Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary

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

6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee.

TUESDAY, October 8th - Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Michał** and **Maria Zaborowski**, of. by Janina Plichta.

WEDNESDAY, October 9th - Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Krystyna Plichta**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

FRIDAY, October 11th - Weekday

11:00AM – Sellout – Bleenie” Sale. The preparation starts at 7:30AM in the hall.

SATURDAY, October 12th - Weekday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Jan Zaborowski**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

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

NEXT SUNDAY, October 13th – Solemnity – Christian Family - XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45AM – Holy Mass – intention: for Sp. Edward Halaburda, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Boychak.

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 (Isaiah 33:2,5)

V. O Lord, have pity on us, for You we wait. Be our strength every morning, our salvation in time of trouble!

R. The Lord is exalted, enthroned on high; He fills Zion with right and justice.

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.

I Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4

The prophet complains that God does not hear or act; God responds and asks for faith and patience.

GRADUAL (Luke 12:37; Matthew 12:18)

V. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on His arrival. Amen, I say to you, He will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.

R. Behold, My servant whom I have chosen, My beloved in whom I delight; I shall place My spirit upon him.

II Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

God gives the Holy Spirit, empowering us to bear witness to our faith and to persevere in the face of difficulty.

ALLELUIA (Mark 9:35)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

It is not the quantity of faith that matters, but the quality of one's relationship with God.

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.

May you never be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, and may you be kept strong in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Oct. 15th Pastors meeting

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

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

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**.

RECTORY'S NEWS – **Mr. James Abicunas** purchased the new chair for the rectory's office – Thank you!

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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Zbigniew Dawid**, his son and parishioners of Holy Mother of Sorrows Parish in Dupont, PA.

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: October 6 – James Freeman; October 9 – Hildegarde Tomczyk.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Bishop John Mack – Father Senior Wiesław Pietruszka - 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.


ALL SOULS ENVELOPES. With the upcoming holydays of All Saints and All Souls in the not too distant future, we remind our parishioners and friends, to please submit the names of their departed loved ones for remembrance during this holy season. All Soul's Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: PRINT) and return them to Father Robert as soon as possible. (Thank you).

ALL SOULS CEMETERY SERVICE will be held on our cemetery/or in the church on Sunday, November 3, 2013 immediately after the Mass.



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: **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.*

 **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 – Żarki 50th Ann.**, and mailed to:

Polish National Union of America
Attention: Żarki 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.

“No one ever graduates from Bible Study until he meets its author face to face.”

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