# St. John the Baptist Parish

**Polish National Catholic Church** 

90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Organizing

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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Trzydziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwykła

**November 3, 2013** 

# **EVENTS** for the **WEEK**

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

## <u>Today</u>, <u>November 3<sup>rd</sup></u> – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

We have been given this time and space to come together to celebrate. This Sunday, let us make room in our hearts to come closer to the Lord in the Eucharist, and allow His word and presence to open our lives in new ways.

8:45AM - Holy Mass with the reading of Memorial List - intention: for Sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk, of. by Ms. Alice McCloskey.

- A Benedection of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ▲ Collection for missions.
- All Souls Service at the cemetery/or in the church.

12:00Noon doors open for the Chinese Auction, the auction begins at 2:00PM.

### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon**., Romans 11:29-36; Luke 14:12-14; **Tue**., Romans 12:5-16ab; Luke 14:15-24; **Wed**., Romans 13:8-10; Luke 14:25-33; **Thu**., Romans 14:7-12; Luke 15:1-10; **Fri**., Romans 15:14-21; Luke 16:1-8; **Sat**., Romans 16:3-9.16.22-27; Luke 16:9-15

MONDAY, November 4th - Weekday

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

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

WEDNESDAY, November 6<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for deceased members of Touchinsky and Brazausky families (All Souls)

THURSDAY, November 7<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese (God's blessing)

FRIDAY, November 8<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Mary Ann Etcho...(All Souls)

**SATURDAY**, **November** 9<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

10:00AM - 11:00AM - Confirmation Class in Shenandoah.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 10<sup>th</sup> - XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time - Veteran's Day Service

8:45AM - Holy Mass - intention: for Sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk, of. by Ms. Irene Cicioni.

A Coffee & Cake after the Mass.

### Today's liturgy

<u>ASPERGES</u> – **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 poczatku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

### ENTRANCE RITE (Psalms 103:13-14,11)

V. As a Father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on the faithful. For He knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust.

R.As the heavens tower over the earth, so God's love towers over the faithful.

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: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

The Lord delights in all His creation. Because of this joyous love His compassion towards us is infinite.

### **GRADUAL** (Psalms 26:2,3;9:10)

V. Test me, o Lord, and try me; search my heart and mind. Your love is before my eyes; I walk guided by Your faithfulness.

R. The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

#### II Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

As the Christians of Thessalonica live in hope and expectation of the Lord's coming, St. Paul urges them to be at peace, and allow the Lord to bring to completion His goodness in them.

### **ALLELUIA** (Zephaniah 2:3a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth, who have observed His law; seek justice, seek humility.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

#### **GOSPEL:** Luke 19:1-10

Crowded in by so many people, Zacchaeus finds a space so that he can see Jesus; and Jesus sees him, and Zacchaeus' whole life is

### 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.

The Lord Jesus wants all people come to Him, and know the Father, and the joy of life in the Spirit. In your daily lives may this mission be made and more real in the world.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

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
Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day Service

#### **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;
- to Veronica Plichta for her help at the altar.

**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.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for **Father Carmen Bolock**, his family and parishioners of St. Mary's Parish in Duryea, PA [saintmaryspncc.org]

<u>PNCC CHURCH BURNED</u> – SS Cyril & Methodius church in Perth Amboy, NY burned down on Monday, October 28. Please pray for the congregation and its pastor – Father Mariusz Zochowski as they go through this horrible reality in the life of that parish and our Diocese.

**FRACKVILLE LIBRARY** – is sponsoring a Fresh Holiday Greens Sale. Decorate your home for the holidays while supporting the Frackville Public Library. Fresh wreaths, swags, cemetery decorations and more are available and reasonably priced. Orders can be placed by visiting or calling the Frackville Library 570-874-3382. Order deadline is Nov. 20, 2013. Delivery date is Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2013.

THANKSGIVING DAY MEALS – The Kinghts of Columbus, Schuylkill Council 431, Pottsville, PA in conjunction with other councils in Schuylkill County, will be providing free, in-home delivered meals to all those in need living in Schuylkill County. To be placed on the list, address, phone number, and number of meals needed. If no answer leave a message and someone will call back to confirm the information. The numbers to call are 570-691-1429, 570-773-0327 or 570-628-3333. quirement is that the recipients be a resident of Schuylkill County. Meals will be delivered on Thanksgiving Day between the hours of 10:00AM and 1:00PM. Parties must be at home as meals will not be left on the door-step and we can not guarantee we will be able to get back to you. Orders for meals must be received by Thursday, November 21 – 5:00PM. Anybody wanting to volunteer their assistance may do so by calling 570-628-3333 and leave message.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 9 – Ted Butcavage.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Anniversary best wishes are extended to: November 4 – John and Joanne Plaxa.

NEW-Charles | BORN BABY - girl - Zoey - was born on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 in Pottsville, PA; she is Mr. & Mrs. Chiao's Jr. great granddaughter, Zoey was 7 pound 11 ounces wieght and 19 inches length. CONGRATULATIONS!

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 <u>Nursing Homes</u>: Helen Chistakoff - Dolores Halaburda - *Frackville Nursing Homes*: 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.

<u>UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS:</u> Nov.10: sp. Elizabeth Tokarczyk; Nov. 17: sp. Mary Ann Etcho; Nov. 24: sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr.

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.

<u>ATTENTION PARISHIONERS</u> – 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.

**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