

**St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church**

90th Anniversary of Organizing

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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Trzydziesta Trzecia Niedziela Zwyczajna

November 17, 2013

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, November 17th – XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

In following Christ we may be called to suffer for our faith; but such times of trial are also opportunities to bear witness to Him.

8:45AM – Holy Mass with the reading of Memorial List – intention: for Sp. **Mary Ann Etcho**, of. by Mr. John Etcho.

△ Blessed Sacrament Society meeting after the Mass.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 1 Maccabees 1:10-15.41-43.54-57.62-63; Luke 18:35-43; **Tue.**, 2 Maccabees 6:18-31 ; Luke 19:1-10;
Wed., 2 Maccabees 7:1.20-31; Luke 19:11-28; **Thu.**, Zechariah 2:14-17; **Matthew 12:46-50**; **Fri.**, 1 Maccabees
4:36-37.52-59; Luke 19:45-48; **Sat.**, 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40

MONDAY, November 18th - *Weekday*

8:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Mr. & Mrs. John Kruk...(All Souls)

TUESDAY, November 19th - *Weekday*

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Ignacy & Rozalia...(All Souls)

WEDNESDAY, November 20th - *Weekday*

6:30PM – Choir practice before the Advent Season.

THURSDAY, November 21st - Solemnity – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Together with Christians of the East, the Catholic Church preserves the early tradition that a small child, Mary was presented to the Lord by her parents in the Temple. This celebration calls our attention to the total dedication of Mary to God's service and her obedience to God's plans. We, too, are called to serve God joyfully and without seeking any human glory in return.

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

FRIDAY, November 22nd - *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Halaburda Family...(All Souls).

SATURDAY, November 23rd - *Weekday*

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

NEXT SUNDAY, November 24th – Solemnity – **Christ the King** - XXXIV (Last) Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45AM – Holy Mass with the reading of the Memorial List – intention: for Sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr., of. by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Elsavage & Family.

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 (2 Peter 3:10,13)

V. The day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.

R. But according to His promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

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 - Holy God, We Praise Thy Name – PNCC Hymnal, p. 227

1. Holy God, we praise Thy name! Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore Thee. Boundless is Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.
2. Hark! The loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising! Cherubim and Seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising; Fill the Heav'ns with sweet accord, Holy! Holy! Holy Lord!

I Reading: Malachi 3:19-20

The Lord comes in judgement but also with healing.

GRADUAL (Luke 1:78-79)

V. Because of the mercy of our God by which the daybreak from on high will visit us.

R. To shine on those who sit in darkness and death's shadow, to guide our feet into the path of peace.

II Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Waiting for Christ's return is no reason to sit in idleness but rather to earn one's own bread.

ALLELUIA (Daniel 3:10)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders; His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and His dominion endures through all generations.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

In the face of persecution and hostility Christians are called to bear witness to their faith.

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.

May your lives be filled with joy and hope of Christ's Gospel.

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

Dec. 1st Baptism

Dec. 1st Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)

Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Mass 10:00PM

Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass 11:00AM

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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski**, his family and parishioners of the Holy Cross Parish in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

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 Kings 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. requirement 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.

PNU MESSAGE – November is a time to be thankful for all the blessings we've been given. What a great time to share the many benefits of the PNU with your family and friends. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the many offerings the PNU can offer to help you provide for those you care about. Contact the PNU Home Office at **1-800-724-6352** for more information on the financial security we can help you provide.

2014 HOMES' BLESSING – will begin on January 6. If you would like your home to be blessed, please sign your name on the list located in the back of the church. The deadline to sign is **December 8, 2013**.

2014 CALENDAR is publishing for members of the PNCC. This calendar contains information concerning PNCC holy days. For individual orders the calendar cost is \$3.00 plus \$1.92 shipping and handling. An additional \$25.00 per order is required for ad setup for a sponsor and specific parish information regarding Sunday services, telephone numbers, names of pastor, etc. If someone is interested to purchase this calendar, please sign your name on the list on the vestibule.



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 – Victoria Plichta. 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.

UPCOMING SUNDAY'S MASS INTENTIONS: 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.

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.

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.

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