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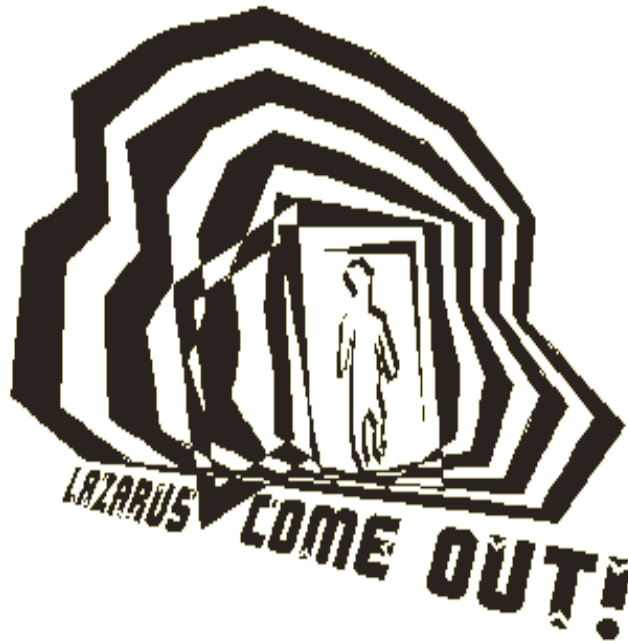
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Fifth Sunday of Lent - "A"

Passion Sunday

April 6, 2014

Lord, I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and Your Church will grow.

EVENTS for the WEEK

Holy Mass – 10:00AM – Traditional liturgy in English.

Today, April 6th – Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

In of the most important incidents in the Gospel, Jesus weeps at the death of His friend Lazarus, and shows His divine power by raising him from the dead, foreshadowing the true resurrection.

10:00AM – Holy Mass intention: for All **Parishioners**.

- ⋄ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ⋄ Collection for missions.
- ⋄ Coffee & Cake.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Daniel 13:1-9.15-17.19-30.33-62 or Daniel 13:41c-62; John 8:1-11; **Tue.**, Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30; **Wed.**, Daniel 3:14-20.91-92.95; John 8:31-42; **Thu.**, Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59; **Fri.**, Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42; **Sat.**, Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56

MONDAY, April 7th - Lenten Weekday

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

TUESDAY, April 8th – Lenten Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for the remission of sins.

WEDNESDAY, April 9th - Lenten Weekday

6:00PM – Bitter Lamentations (1)

7:00PM – Frackville Ministerium Lenten Service at St. Peter's UCC.

THURSDAY, April 10th - Lenten Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for those, who helped making “Easter Egg” Project this year (God's blessing).

FRIDAY, April 11th – Lenten Weekday

6:00PM – Stations of the Cross.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 13th – Palm Sunday - VI Sunday of Lent

9:50AM – The Oath of the Parish Committee Officers.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

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.

ENTRANCE RITE (Daniel 12:2-3)

V. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; Some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.

R. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

V. Lord for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

I Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

Through the prophet, God announces the reality of a future, physical resurrection from the dead.

GRADUAL (Hosea 6:1-2)

V. Come, let us return to the Lord, for it is He Who has torn and He will heal us; He has struck down, and He will bind us up.

R. After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live before Him.

II Reading: Romans 8:8-11

St. Paul teaches that the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, given to us by Christ, is the source of our own resurrection from the dead.

TRACT (Romans 6:8-9)

V. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him.

R. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over Him.

GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus teaches that He himself is the door to eternal life, being both fully God and fully human.

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.

God the Father, through His Son Jesus Christ, has given us the gift of the Holy Spirit; may we continue to share this gift with the world.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

May 2 - 4th 14th Mission & Evangelism Workshop – Woonsocket, RI
Sep. 29th–Oct. 3rd, 2014 - 24th General Synod of the PNCC (Erie, PA)

CENTRAL DIOCESE

April 26th Diocesan Council meeting – Scranton, PA
May 17th Diocesan ANS Convention in Frackville, PA.

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

????? Seniorate Council meeting in Hazleton, PA (1:00PM)
June 19th Corpus Christi service in McAdoo, PA (7:00PM)

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 7:00PM)

April 22nd Pastors meeting (1:00PM)

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** and **Mr. Jacob Komara** for being a lectors;
- to **Veronica Plichta** for her help at the altar;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

THANK YOU very much to our **Parishioners** and **Friends** for your help making Easter Eggs last week and during the whole project! Thank you for your time, work, donations, faithful presence and dedication to our parish family. May God Bless You All!

FRACKVILLE MINISTERIUM LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesday, **April 9** – St. Peter's UCC (7:00PM)

Good Friday, **April 18** – Trinity Evangelical (2:00PM)

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.

FRACKVILLE FOOD BANK – is open on the **3rd Thursday** of every month from 9:00AM to 10:00AM. Anyone with proof of a Frackville address is welcome for 2 boxes of food: one nonperishable & one fresh. We are looking for a few volunteers from our Frackville churches to help out with the distribution. You would need to come at 8:00AM and we are finished just after 10:00AM. Helpers check people in & aid customers in carrying boxes out to their cars. If you have any questions, please call **Pastor Sue** at **570-874-0792**.

BIBLE STUDY and (or) CATECHISM CLASSES FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN – Father Robert is looking for people who will be interested in this matter. Any suggestions, including a day and time will be appreciated. **Responses:** As Soon As Possible.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Marian Pociеча**, his family and parishioners of All Saints Parish in Rome, NY [allsaintsny.org].



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: March 14 – Brett Russell; April 2 – Michael Chiao; April 6 – Rose Kolos.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Bishop John Mack – Father Senior Wiesław Pietruszka - James Chistakoff – Sarah Powanda – Joseph Makauskas - Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Carolyn Boychak – Anna Folta – John Kruk – Charles Chiao Jr. – Cheryl Stanitis - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. At **Nursing Homes:** Helen Chistakoff – ***Frackville Nursing Home:*** Louise Gursky (307) - Ann Lech (108); **NY** – Cecelia Pyzowski. ***Manor Care (Pottsville):*** Sue Pascavage. ***H & R Center Tremont:*** Dolores Halaburda. ***Providence Palace Drums, PA*** - Violet Cegielski. ***Ridgeview (Shen. Hts.)*** - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221).



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 MASS INTENTIONS: **May 11:** all Mothers; **May 18:** Sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **May 25:** Sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **June 1:** Sp. Stanley and Florence Bulcavage. *Please, do not order the Mass intentions 3 months in advance.*



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 **9:45AM** (before Mass). Children before Confirmation age must come to private Confession. **If children (until Confirmation) would like to receive the Holy Communion in a worthy manner they must come and be well prepared 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.

Love of God and Neighbor

Lord, Jesus Christ, I adore You as the Son of God, the Divine Word. Through the prayers of Your most sweet Mother I beg of You, send me from the fullness of Your loving Heart the grace of Your Holy Spirit, in order that He may enlighten my ignorance, purify and sanctify my sinful heart, and confirm me in Your holy love. This I request through the love of the Father and the Holy Spirit, through the abundance of Your infinite mercy, and through the merits of all Your Saints. Amen.

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:
Mr. Kenneth Payne