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Solemnity Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles - "A"

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June 29, 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 – Contemporary liturgy in English.

Today, June 29th – Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles

Sometimes, in Christian life, it is not about what we are called to do or to be, but about what we are called to celebrate.

10:00AM – Holy Mass intention: for Sp. **Sue Pascavage**, of. by the Stetts Family.

- ^ Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- ^ Pierogies are available - \$5.00 per dozen.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Amos 2:6-10.13-16; Matthew 8:18-22; **Tue.**, Amos 3:1-8;4:11-12; Matthew 8:23-27; **Wed.**, Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56; Matthew 8:28-34; **Thu.**, Amos 7:10-17; Matthew 9:1-8; **Fri.**, Amos 8:4-6.9-12; Matthew 9:9-13; **Sat.**, Amos 9:11-15; Matthew 9:14-17

WEDNESDAY, July 2nd – Solemnity – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Visitation is the meeting between Mary and her cousin Elizabeth, the mother of St. John the Baptist. Mary's "Magnificat" is another testimony of her humility before God. Her readiness to serve Elizabeth is a good lesson on charity.

9:00AM – Holy Mass for Health.

THURSDAY, July 3rd – Weekday

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

FRIDAY, July 4th - Independence Day Celebration

11:00AM – Holy Mass the the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA. Following the Mass Polish and American foods will be available at the pavilion until 4:00PM.

NEXT SUNDAY, July 6th - XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Michael and Sophia Stetts, of. by Children & Grandchildren.

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

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 (Acts 2:38; 19:6)

V. Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

R. Paul laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied.

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: Acts 12:1-11

No earthly prison can hold captive the trusting heart.

Responsorial Psalm: The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear Him.

II Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8.17-18

Whatever happens in life, the Lord's whole purpose is to bring us to His heavenly kingdom.

ALLELUIA (Matthew 16:18)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. You are Peter and upon this rock I will build My Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-19

It is not flesh and blood that reveals the Christ, but the Father in heaven speaks to flesh and blood. It is humanity in its weakness that has received the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

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.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH [PAGE 71]
GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: As we look forward in faith to eternal life, let us pray for all our needs in this life.

- We pray for the Church: that she may continue her life and witness, in season and out of season. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For the leaders of the nations: that they may listen to each other, and to all those whom they govern, with humility and courage. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For those who have power and wealth: that they may never pass by the baggar at the gate. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For those who are in need: that they may always find compassion and care. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- Let us pray for all those who have died – especially for **Sue Pascavage** - that they may enter into the peace of the Lord. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- We pray that we may, like St. Peter and St. Paul, always press on and keep the faith.

Celebrant: We thank You, Father, for this feast. May we too witness to the resurrection of Your Son, with all the strength that You have given us, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the Lord bless you in all the places you must be, and on all the roads you must walk.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

July 4-12th KURS for the Youth (Waymart, PA)

July 21-25th National Youth Convocation (Heidelberg University in Tiffin, OH)

Sep. 29th–Oct. 3rd - 24th General Synod of the PNCC (Erie, PA)

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

June 27th “Bleenie” Sale.

July 27th Vehicles blessing after the Mass at the parking.

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 last Sunday.
- to **Veronica Plichta** for her help at the altar last Sunday.
- 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. 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 the youth, and to those who are not members for their great help!

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.

SUMMER BREAK – Father Robert will take his little break from **July 7 to July 10**. In the case of sacramental emergency our parishioners may contact: **Rev. Richard Wosiak** at **570.277.6180** (Middleport, PA) or **Rev.**

Boguslaw Janiec (Hazleton, PA) at **570.454.6103**.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Randolph Calvo**, his family and parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in So. Deerfield, MA [holynamedeerfield.org].



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – 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. **H & R Center Tremont:** Dolores Halaburda. **Fritzingertown Drums, PA** - Violet Cegielski. **Ridgeview (Shen. Hts.)** - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221) – Theodore Butcavage (214).



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: **July 6:** Sp. Michael & Sophia Stetts; **July 13:** Sp. James Dean; **July 20:** Sp. David Halaburda; **July 27:** Sp. James Dean; **Aug. 3:** Sp. David Halaburda; **Aug. 10:** Sp. David Halaburda; **Aug. 17:** Sp. James Dean; **Aug. 24:** Sp. James Dean. *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. **Come as a Guest – Leave as a Friend!**

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.