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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"
Siedemnasta Niedziela Zwykła
July 27, 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, July 27th – XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time

King Solomon asked the Lord for wisdom, and that same gift is offered to us in Jesus Christ, who is the power and the wisdom of God.

10:00AM - Holy Mass intention: for Sp. James Dean, of by Joseph & Mary Ann Sekela.

- A Vehicles blessing after the Mass at the parking.
- A Pierogies are available \$5.00 per dozen.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

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Mon., Jeremiah 13:1-11; Matthew 13:31-35; **Tue**., Jeremiah 14:17-22; Matthew 13:36-43; **Wed**., Jeremiah 15:10.16-21; Matthew 13:44-46; **Thu**., Jeremiah 18:1-6; Matthew 13:47-53; **Fri**., Jeremiah 26:1-9; Matthew 13:54-58; **Sat**., Jeremiah 26:11-16.24; Matthew 14:1-12

WEDNESDAY, July 30th - Weekday

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Maria, Michał and Alfons Zaborowski, Gertruda Rezmer, of. by Janina Plichta.

FRIDAY, August 1st - First Friday of the month

5:00PM – 7:00PM – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

7:00PM – Holy Mass to the Sacred Heart of Jesus; intention: for all Parishioners.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 3rd - XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. David Halaburda, of. by Mr. Leonard Halaburda.

- A Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ▲ Collection for missions.
- △ Coffee & Cake.

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 początku, teraz i zawsze i na wieki wieków. Amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Proverbs 2:6-7; Wisdom 7:7)

V. The Lord gives wisdom, from His mouth come knowledge and understanding; He has counsel in store for the upright, He is the shield of those who walk honestly.

R. Therefore I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

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: 1 Kings 3:5.7-12

The young king, Solomon, prays for wisdom more than any other gift.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, I love Your commands.

II Reading: Romans 8:28-30

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

ALLELUIA (Matthew 11:25)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. Blessed are You Father, Lord of heaven and earth; for You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:44-52

The kingdom of heaven is a rare treasure, a fine pearl, a place of justice and truth.

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: "Ask and you shall receive," the Lord says to us. Let us know make our petitions and seek the

Lord's blessing.

- We pray for our Bishop Bernard: that the spirit of wisdom may always inspire him in word and deed, for the good of the Church. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For the bishops of the Church: that the same spirit of wisdom may dwell with them and give them energy to lead their people. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For this community: that each one of us may grow into a true image of Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For all parents and grandparents: that the wisdom of the years may be a blessing on their children and grandchildren. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- Let us pray for all those who have died especially for **James Dean** that they may enter into the peace of the Lord. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For all who are searching for the "final pearl" of life: that they may find in us true signs of the kingdom of heaven. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

Celebrant: Lord, listen to the heartfelt prayers of Your people and bless us today with Your spirit of wisdom, through Christ our Lord. *R. Amen*.

The Lord shares with us the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven. May we rejoice to share in His wisdom.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

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

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

Aug. 8th "Bleenie" Sale.

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.

<u>THANK YOU</u> 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!

<u>PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY</u> - ..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>CHURCH NEWS</u> – Mr. Joseph Petrusky installed the Sanctuary Lamp and fixed altar bells problem. Thank you!

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for **Father Christopher Rogalski**, his family and parishioners of Divine Providence Parish in Norwich, CT.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: July 25 – Michaela Chiao; July 28 – Joseph Tokarczyk;

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.

<u>UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS</u>: Aug. 3: Sp. David Halaburda; Aug. 10: Sp. David Halaburda; Aug. 17: Sp. James Dean; Aug. 24: Sp. James Dean; Aug. 31: Sp. Mary Ann Etcho; Sep. 7: Sp. Charles Blocker. *Please*, <u>do not order</u> 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.

Zachary Chiao – the grandson of Charles and Sharon Chiao is in a military service. If someone from our Congregation would like to write a few words to him – the address is:

PVZ. ZACHARY C. CHIAO A Co.3-10 INF BN, 3rd PLT Rough Riders 495 Iowa Avenue, Unit # 15 Fort Leonard Wood, MO

<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. 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.