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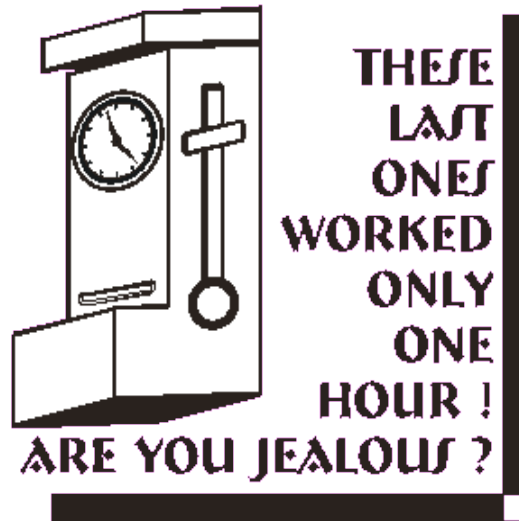
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**Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"**

Dwudziesta Piąta Niedziela Zwyczajna

**September 21, 2014**

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

**EVENTS for the WEEK**

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

**Today, September 21<sup>st</sup>** – XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's forgiveness and generosity go way beyond our human reckoning. We are asked to imitate the Lord in our goodness and compassion to each other, but to do so we need His continuing support and guidance.

**10:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Sp. **James Dean**, of. by Mrs. Marge Dean.

^ Pierogies are available.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, Ephesians 4:1-7.11-13; **Matthew** 9:9-13; **Tue.**, Proverbs 21:1-6.10-13; Luke 8:19-21; **Wed.**, Proverbs 30:5-9; Luke 9:1-6; **Thu.**, Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9; **Fri.**, Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22; **Sat.**, Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8; Luke 9:43b-45

**MONDAY, September 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle/Evangelist

*Son of Alpheus, Matthew was a publican, that is, a tax collector for the Romans. His profession was despised by the Jews. Nevertheless, our Lord called him to be an apostle. Matthew's vocation reminds us that sanctity is not restricted only to a certain states in life. All professions, all our work and all our other endeavors should be sanctified. We do not know details of his evangelization or of his martyrdom which by most accounts took place in Persia or Ethiopia. Tradition unanimously acknowledges his as the author of the first Gospel, written in Aramaic, and afterwords translated into Greek.*

**Patron Saint of:** accountants, bankers, bookkeepers, tax collectors.

**8:30AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

**TUESDAY, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** - *Weekday*

**6:00PM – Holy Mass**, intention: for health of Michael Dalley.

**WEDNESDAY, September 24<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**6:00PM – Holy Mass** in the certain intention.

**THURSDAY, September 25<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**8:30AM – Holy Mass** for Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**FRIDAY, September 26<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**8:30AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Sp. **Deceased Members of Wysocki and Zaborowski famiy**, of. by Janina Plichta.

**SATURDAY, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00-10:50AM** – Confirmation Class.

**11:00-12:00** – First Holy Communion Catechism Class.

**NEXT SUNDAY, September 28<sup>th</sup>** – *XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time* – Spójnia Sunday

**10:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for PNU Members.

**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 (Psalm 145:8-9)**

V. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in love.

**R. The Lord is good to all, compassionate to every creature.**

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: Isaiah 55:6-9**

*The Lord takes pity on all who turn to Him.*

**GRADUAL (Psalm 103:8-10)**

V. Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. God does not always rebuke, nurses no lasting anger.

**R. He has not dealt with us as our sins merit, nor requited us as our deeds deserve.**

**II Reading: Philippians 1:20-24.27**

*Whether alive or dead, our lives are in Christ.*

**ALLELUIA (Romans 9:15b)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. I will show mercy to whom I will, I will take pity on whom I will.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16**

*We may be envious, but God is always generous.*

**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.

May we be touched by God's own loving kindness and mercy.

**COMING EVENTS**

**GENERAL CHURCH**

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

**CENTRAL DIOCESE**

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Council meeting (Scranton, PA 11:00AM)

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

Sep. 27<sup>th</sup> First Holy Communion & Confirmation Classes

Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> “Bleenie” Sale.

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> Animals Blessing (1:00PM)

Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> Mass for Healing with the Sacrament of Holy Anointing

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> “Chinese” Auction

**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 **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to **Joe Karvois** and **Veronica Plichta** for their 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 – even if you can only give a half-hour of your time. 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 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.

**ANIMALS BLESSING** – will be held on Saturday, **October 4** at **1:00PM** on our parking.

**HOLY MASS for HEALING** – will be celebrated on Sunday, **October 12**. During the Mass participants will have an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Holy Anointing. Please, invite as many people as possible. Refreshments will be available after the Mass.

**VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION** will take place in our church on Sunday, **November 9**.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Bogumil Czaja**, his family and parishioners of St. Francis Parish in

McHenry, IL.

**BIBLE STUDY CLASSES** will begin in October, 2014. Classes will take place in our church hall on Wednesdays at **6:30PM**. Everyone are welcome. Please, bring your own Bible.



**CHINESE AUCTION** will be held on **November 9, 2014** in the parish hall. We are asking all parishioners to help with the fundraiser by donating new items for this event.

We are also appealing to you for your help. Everyone's help is needed especially on the day of the auction.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 25 – Helen Hopko; September Chiao.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for – Father Senior Wiesław Pietruszka - James Chistakoff – Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Carolyn Boychak – Anna Folta – John Kruk – Charles Chiao Jr. - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill – Patricia Abicunas. 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:** **Sep. 28:** PNU Members; **Oct. 5:** Deceased Members of the Chiao Family; **Oct. 12:** for Healing; **Oct. 19:** Sp. Vincent Opanel; **Oct. 26:** 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday of Zoey Rutkowski; **Nov. 2:** Sp. William and Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 9:** Sp. Vincent Opanel; **Nov. 16:** Sp. Lucille Greenman; **Nov. 23:** Sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr. & Dorothy Halaburda; **Nov. 30:** Sp. Mary Ann Etcho; **Dec. 7:** Sp. Michael & Mary Patcella; **Dec. 21:** Sp. James Dean; **Jan. 4, 2015:** Sp. Edward Bulcavage; **Jan. 11:** Sp. Edward Bulcavage; **Jan. 18:** Sp. Edward Bulcavage; **Jan. 25:** Sp. Edward Bulcavage. **March 1:** for those who were touched with cancer.



**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.

“Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it.” (Maya Angelou)