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Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

Spójnia Sunday

Dwudziesta Szósta Niedziela Zwykła

September 28, 2014

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

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, September 28th – XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time – Spójnia Sunday

For Christians, the future is greater than the past. We repent so that we are not weighed down by the past but we can walk to heaven unhindered.

10:00AM – Holy Mass intention: for PNU of America Members.

^ Pierogies are available - \$5.00 per dozen.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Job 1:6-22; Luke 9:46-50; **Tue.**, Job 3:1-3.11-17.20-23; Luke 9:51-56; **Wed.**, Job 9:1-12.14-16; Luke 9:57-62; **Thu.**, Job 19:21-27; Luke 10:1-12; **Fri.**, Job 38:1.12-21;40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16; **Sat.**, Job 42:1-3.5-

6.12-17; Luke 10:17-24

Sep. 29 – Oct. 3 – XXIV General Synod of the PNCC – Erie, PA – Please, pray for the light of the Holy Spirit to all Delegates!

FRIDAY, October 3rd - First Friday of the month

No Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament today

11:00AM - ? - "Bleenie" Sale. Preparation starts at 7:30AM.

SATURDAY, October 4th - *Weekday*

1:00PM – Animals Blessing at the parking lot.

NEXT SUNDAY, October 5th - XXVII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Solemnity – Christian Family

10:00AM – Holy Mass of Healing.

- ⤴ Confession.
- ⤴ 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 (Hebrews 13:20a.21)

V. May the God of peace, furnish you with all that is good, that you may do His will.

R. May He carry out in you what is pleasing to Him through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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: Ezekiel 18:25-28

God is justice and God is life. To reject justice is to reject life.

Responsorial Psalm: Remember Your mercies, o Lord.

II Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Christ entered into the slavery of sin, which leads to death, so that He might be exalted on our behalf.

ALLELUIA (John 10:27)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. My sheep hear My voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow Me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:28-32

All human life is itself a second chance offered to us by God. We call that second chance redemption. Redemption makes life a choice.

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.

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GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Gather together in the presence of God, seeking eternal life, let us pray

- We pray for the Church: that she may be the listening heart of the world that hears and shares God's message.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

- For the leaders of the nations: that they may be prepared to change not just the world but themselves. ***R. Lord, hear our prayer.***

- For those who are secure in the good things of this world: that they may see those good things as held in trust for the good of all. ***R. Lord, hear our prayer.***

- For those who are sick: that they may find their sufferings the presence of God's love. ***R. Lord, hear our prayer.***

- We pray for our sister organization, the **PNU of America**, that its management and members may fulfill the important responsibilities entrusted to them and through their efforts the mission and fraternalism of the PNU may touch lives – we pray to the Lord. ***R. Lord hear our prayer.***

- We remember those who have died, Bishop Francis Hodur, the deceased bishops, priests, deacons and faithful of our PNCC and of the PNU of America...and also for all those who have lost a loved one and find it especially difficult to cope with their loss – we pray to the Lord. ***R. Lord, hear our prayer.***

Celebrant: We thank You, Father, that whatever we may endure in life, we will always receive more from You than we give We offer You our prayers through Christ our Lord. ***R. Amen.***

May each one of you go out to lives that are lived, not just for yourselves but for each other.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

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

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Oct. 13th Clergy meeting (Plymouth, PA 1:00PM)

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Oct. 25th 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)

Oct. 3rd “Bleenie” Sale.

Oct. 4th Animals Blessing (1:00PM)

Nov. 9th “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 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.

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 Michael Augustyn**, his family and parishioners of St. Hedwig Parish in Chicago, 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.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: October 3 – Mary Ann Hoppes.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Wieslaw 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: **Oct. 5:** Deceased Members of the Chiao Family; **Oct. 12:** for Healing; **Oct. 19:** Sp. Vincent Opanel; **Oct. 26:** 1st 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.

“The greatest discovery of all time is that a person can change his future by merely changing his attitude.” (Oprah Winfrey)