# St. John the Baptist Parish

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Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

Dwudziesta Siódma Niedziela Zwykła

October 5, 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 – Traditional liturgy in English.** 

# Today, October 5<sup>th</sup> - XXVII Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we do not nurture the natural and spiritual gifts we have, or when we abuse them, we are in danger of losing everything.

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Deceased Members of the Chiaos Family, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Sharon Chiao.

- A Confession; the private Confession for those who are in need is available at any time before the services, during the week also.
- A Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ▲ Collection for Missions.
- Pierogies are available.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:** 

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Mon., Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37; **Tue.**, Acts 1:12-14; Luke 1:26-38; Wed., Galatians 2:1-2.7-14; Luke 11:1-4; **Thu**., Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13; **Fri**., Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26; **Sat**., Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28

# MONDAY, October 6<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

8:30AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Edward Zaborowski, of. by Fr. Robert

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

# TUESDAY, October 7<sup>th</sup> - Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary

This feast was established on the anniversary of the naval victory won by the Christian fleet at Lepanto. The victory was attributed to the help of the holy Mother of God whose aid was invoked through praying the rosary. The celebration of this day invites all to meditate upon the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary who was so singularly associated with the incarnation, passion and glorious resurrection of the Son of God.

6:00PM - Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

## WEDNESDAY, October 8th - Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass for Health.

**6:30PM** – Bible study.

## FRIDAY, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

8:30AM - Holy Mass, intention for Sp. Andrew Podgurski Jr., of. by Mr. Ed Murtha.

# SATURDAY, October 11<sup>th</sup> - Weekday

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

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

NEXT SUNDAY, October 12<sup>th</sup> - XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time - Solemnity - Christian Family

#### 10:00AM - Holy Mass of Healing.

- A Sacrament of Holy Anointing will be impart to those who need it, after the sermon.
- ▲ Coffee & Cake Hospitality.

#### 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** (Psalm 80:9-10. 12-13)

V. You brought a vine out of Egypt; You drove away nations and planted it. You cleared the ground; it took root and filled the land.

R. It sent out boughs as far as the sea, shoots as far as the river. Why have you broken down the walls, so that all who pass by pluck its fruit?

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 5:1-7

**In Isaiah's** "Song of the Vineyard", because of their poor stewardship, God proposes to remove the privileges of Judah and Israel.

#### **GRADUAL** (Psalm 80:15-16, 20)

V. Turn again, Lord of hosts; look down from heaven, and see; attend to this vine, the shoot Your right hand has planted.

R. Lord of hosts, restore us; if Your face shine upon us that we may be saved.

### II Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

St. Paul urges the Philippians to aspire to all that is true, good and beautiful, as revealed by God.

#### **ALLELUIA** (Jeremiah 2:21)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. I had planted you, a choice vine of fully tested stock; How could you turn out obnoxious to me, a spurious vine?

#### GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-43

**Jesus uses** the imagery of Isaiah to tell a new parable about the coming rejection of the Son of Man and Son of God.

#### **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.

God has made us faithful stewards and workers; may we go forth to labor joyfully in the vineyard of the Lord.

### **COMING EVENTS**

## **CENTRAL DIOCESE**

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

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

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

Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" Sale.
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.
- 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 – 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 <u>not members</u> 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>GENERAL CHURCH DUES</u> – has been increased to \$100.00; therefore beginning January 2015, our church dues will be **\$124.00** per adult member.

**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

<u>ALL SOULS ENVELOPES</u>. With the upcoming holy-days of All Saints and All Souls in the not too distant future, we remind our parishioners and friends, to please submit the names of their departed loved ones for remembrance during this holy season. All Soul's Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: PRINT) and return them to Father Robert as soon as possible. (Thank you).

ALL SOULS SERVICE will be held on Sunday, **November 2**, 2014 in the church after the Mass.



<u>CHINESE AUCTION</u> will be held on <u>November 9, 2014</u> 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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<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</u> Birthday best wishes are extended to: October 6 – James Freeman; October 9 – Tomczyk.

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 Homes: 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>: 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.

<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.

Giving up doesn't always mean you are weak. Sometimes it means you are strong enough to let go.  (Author Unknown)