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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

Trzydziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwyczajna

November 2, 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, November 2nd – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God.

10:00AM – Holy Mass with the reading of Memorial List, intention: for Sp. **William** and **Josephine Zamonas**, of. by Daughter Theresa and her husband Joseph.

- ⋄ The private Confession for those who are in need is available at any time before the services, during the week also.
- ⋄ Confession.
- ⋄ Collection for missions.
- ⋄ All Souls prayer service after the Mass.
- ⋄ Coffee & Cake.
- ⋄ Pierogies are available.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; Matthew 25:31-46; **Tue.**, Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 14:15-24; **Wed.**, Philippians 2:12-18; Luke 14:25-33; **Thu.**, Philippians 3:3-8a; Luke 15:1-10; **Fri.**, Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 16:1-8; **Sat.**, Philippians 4:10-19; Luke 16:9-15

MONDAY, November 3rd – All Souls Day

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all **Deceased**.
6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee.

WEDNESDAY, November 4th - Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass for Health.

THURSDAY, November 6th - Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.
1:00PM – Seniorate Clergy meeting (Plymouth, PA).

FRIDAY, November 7th - First Friday of the Month

8:30AM – Holy Mass to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
5:00PM – 7:00PM – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

SATURDAY, November 8th

10:00 – 10:50AM – Confirmation Class.
11:00AM – 12:00 – First Holy Communion Class.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 9th – XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Veterans Day Celebration

10:00AM – Holy Mass with the reading of the Memorial List, intention: for Sp. Vincent Opanel, of. by Ms. Elizabeth Greenman and Mr. James Abicunas.

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 (Jeremiah 7:3)

V. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel:

R. Reform your ways and your deeds, so that I may remain with you in this place.

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: Malachi 1:14b – 2:2b.8-10

GRADUAL (Proverbs 13:12, 15:33)

V. Before his downfall a man's heart is haughty, but humility goes before honors.

R. The fear of the Lord is training for wisdom, and humility goes before honors.

II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9.13

ALLELUIA (Colossians 3:12)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 23:1-12

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.

May the Lord strengthen you to witness to God's kingdom in your lives.

COMING EVENTS

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Nov. 6th Clergy meeting (Plymouth, PA 1:00PM)

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

Nov. 9th “Chinese” Auction

Dec. 14th Advent Penitential Service (before the Mass) & Christmas Party (after the **1:00PM** Mass).

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.

GENERAL CHURCH DUES – has been increased to \$100.00; therefore beginning January 2015, our church dues will be **\$124.00** per adult member.

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

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father John Kowalczyk Jr.**, his family and parishioners of St. Michael Archangel Parish in Cedar Lake, IN [smapncc.org and stmichaelpncc.org].



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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CHRISTMAS PARTY – will be held in our church hall on **Sunday, December 14** after **1:00PM Mass**. The Parishioners invite you to participate, therefore please sign your name on the sheet at the vestibule. When you come, please bring **one inexpensive gift (up to \$10.00)**. Parents and guardians are responsible to provide gifts for their children. The deadline to sign your names is December 7.

2015 HOME
sign up your

BLESSING - list is placed next to the bulletin. If you **really** need your home to be blessed, please name, or call the rectory. The deadline is **November 30, 2014**.

CONFIRMATION – Our Diocesan Bishop – the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. Nowicki will impart the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 3:00PM**. We have two students-candidates; if any adult members didn't receive Confirmation yet – please contact Fr. Robert ASAP. The deadline is: **March 31, 2015**.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: November 4 – John and Joanne Plaxa.



Sharon

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Wiesław Pietruszka - James Chistakoff – Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – 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).



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: **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. 14:** Sp. James Dean; **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. **Remember** that penance during the Confession **MUST BE FULFILLED**, if not – the Sacrament is not **VALID**.

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.

In times like these it helps to recall there have always been times like these. (Paul Harvey)