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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A" Trzydziesta Druga Niedziela Zwykła Veterans Day Observance November 9, 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 9<sup>th</sup> – XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Veterans Day Celebration

The Church encourages us to prepare ourselves for the hour of our death. In the ancient litany of the saints, she has us pray: *From a sudden and unforeseen death, deliver us, o Lord*.

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

- ▲ The private Confession for those who are in need is available at any time before the services, during the week also.
- ▲ Pierogies are available.

12:00Noon – Doors open for the "Chinese" Auction; starts 2:00PM. Admission - \$3.00.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6; Tue., Titus 2:1-8.11-14; Luke 17:7-10; Wed., Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19; Thu., Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25; Fri., 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37; Sat., 3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8

**MONDAY, November 10<sup>th</sup>** – Weekday **8:30AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

WEDNESDAY, November 12<sup>th</sup> - Weekday 8:30AM – Holy Mass for all Deceased.

THURSDAY, November 13<sup>th</sup> - Weekday 8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: Sp. Mary Ann Etcho...(All Souls)

FRIDAY, November 14<sup>th</sup> - Weekday 8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: Sp. Edward Bulcavage...(All Souls)

SATURDAY, November 15<sup>th</sup> 1:00PM – Rev. Zbigniew Dawid's Installation as the Administrative Senior Priest of the Scranton Seniorate – Dupont, PA.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>, November 16<sup>th</sup> – XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

A Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

#### **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** (Amos 5:14-15a)

V. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; then truly will the Lord, the God of hosts, be with you as you claim!

R. Hate evil and love good, and let justice prevail at the gate.

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: Wisdom 6:12-16

### **GRADUAL** (Psalm 63:7-8)

V. When I think of You upon my bed, through the night watches I will recall. **R. That You indeed are my help, and in the shadow of Your wings I shout for joy. II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18** 

### ALLELUIA (Isaiah 40:8)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**V. Though the grass withers and the flower wilts, the word of our God stands forever.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### **GOSPEL:** Matthew 25:1-13

### 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 the Lord, who gives life and makes things grow, fill your hearts with joy to be members one of another in the family of faith.

### **COMING EVENTS**

FRACKVILLE - Each First Friday on the month - Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

(5:00PM - 7:00PM)

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

- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> Mass of Shepherds (10:00PM)
- Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Mass (10:00AM)

# 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 Veronica Plichta for her help at the altar;
- 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.

<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.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER**: for **Father Zbigniew Talaga**, his family and parishioners of Holy Cross Parish in Pulaski, WI and Our Savior Parish in Mosinee, WI.



<u>CHRISTMAS PARTY</u> – 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.

<u>2015 HOME BLESSING</u> - list is placed next to the bulletin. If you <u>really</u> need your home to be blessed, please sign up your name, or call the rectory. The deadline is **November 30, 2014**.

**<u>CONFIRMATION</u>** – 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 BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 9 – Theodore Butcavage; November 16 – William Cabulis.

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 <u>Nursing Homes</u>: 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. 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.

<u>CONFESSIONS FOR THE YOUTH</u> – 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 <u>must come</u> to **private** Confession. <u>If children (until Confirmation) would like to receive</u> <u>the Holy Communion in a worthy manner they must come and be well prepared for private confession at</u> <u>least once a month.</u> 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.

<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.

## Veterans Day Prayer

**Dear Lord**, Today we honor our Veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country.

We pray that You will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, and our country;s heritage, for all of us.

Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made for their many different contributions to America's victories over tyranny and oppression.

We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that You will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness.

In Jesus' name we pray; Amen. (By Joanna Fuchs)

Things don't have to change the world to be important (Steve Jobs)