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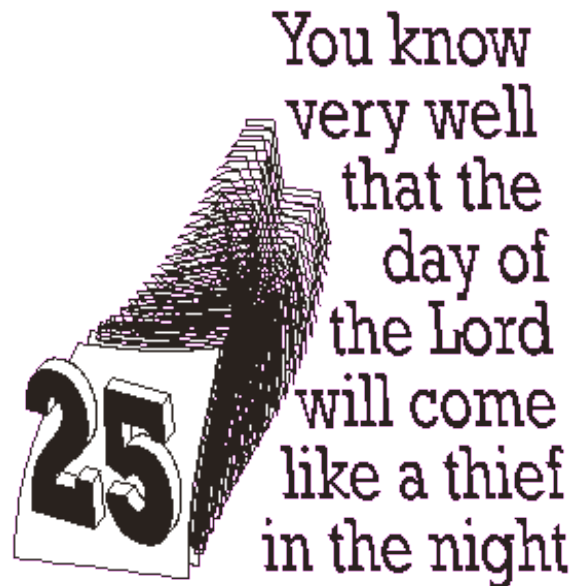
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**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"**

Trzydziesta Trzecia Niedziela Zwyczajna

**November 16, 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 16<sup>th</sup> – XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

To be here we have left the places of our ordinary living and come together to worship, celebrate and ponder the ways of the Lord. Yet here we will rediscover our ordinary lives and see them in new ways. Learning from the Lord, we can return to our places in the world, and live them more hopefully, more lovingly.

**10:00AM – Holy Mass** with the reading of the Memorial List, intention: for Sp. **Lucille Greenman**, of. by Daughter Elizabeth 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.
- ^ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ^ Pierogies are available.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, Revelation 1:1-4;2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43; **Tue.**, Revelation 3:1-6.14-22; Luke 19:1-10; **Wed.**, Revelation 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28; **Thu.**, Revelation 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44; **Fri.**, Zechariah 2:14-17; **Matthew 12:46-50**;  
**Sat.**, Revelation 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40

**MONDAY, November 17<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Helena Zaborowska**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

**TUESDAY, November 18<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**6:00PM** – Holy Mass for all **Parishioners**.

**WEDNESDAY, November 19<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**6:00PM** – Holy Mass for Sp. **William, Josephine Zamonas**...(All Souls)

**THURSDAY, November 20<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass, intention: Sp. **Antonina and Pawel Jaskowiak**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

**FRIDAY, November 21<sup>st</sup>** - *Solemnity – Presentation of the BVM*

*Together with Christians of the East, the Catholic Church preserves the early tradition that a small child, Mary was presented to the Lord by her parents in the Temple. This celebration calls our attention to the total dedication of Mary to God's service and her obedience to God's plans. We, too, are called to serve God joyfully and without seeking any human glory in return.*

**8:30AM** – Holy Mass

**SATURDAY, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**11:00AM** – Very Rev. **Marian Pociecha's** Installation as the Administrative Senior Priest of the Mohawk-Valley Seniorate – Rome, NY.

**NEXT SUNDAY, November 23<sup>rd</sup>** – XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time – *Solemnity – Christ the King*

**10:00AM** – Holy Mass with the reading of the Memorial List, intention: for Sp. Bernard Jr. and Dorothy Halaburda, of. by Daughter Sandra Elsavage & family.

#### 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 3:19)**

V. I had thought: How I should like to treat as sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful among the nations!

**R. You would call Me, "My Father," I thought, and never cease following Me.**

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: Proverbs 31:10-13.19-20.30-31**

*When the writer of Proverbs looks for an image to finish his book, and sum up what practical wisdom looks like, he offers a picture of the "perfect wife".*

#### **GRADUAL (Luke 12:48b)**

V. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much.

**R. Still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.**

#### **II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

*As St. Paul writes to some of the earliest Christians, he is concerned that they learn to live their lives in joyful expectation, rather than in anxiety about the future.*

#### **ALLELUIA (Luke 11:28)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30**

*Today's Gospel tells us the familiar parable of the "talents". However small the work set before us, we are each called to respond with care and creativity.*

**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.

The Lord Jesus has called you, and entrusted to you the treasures of His kingdom. May you go out from here as good and faithful servants filled with the power of the Spirit, bringing the love of the Father's household to all the world.

**COMING EVENTS**

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

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)

Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> **Advent Penitential Service** (before the Mass – **12:45PM**) & 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)

May 17<sup>th</sup>, 15 First Holy Communion Day

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 15 Confirmation (3:00PM)

**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**.

**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.

**THANK YOU** very much to our Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society for organizing "Chinese" Auction last Sunday! Many "Thanks" to those who donated all gifts, work, food and time at this event. May God Bless You All!

**GENERAL CHURCH DUES** – 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 Henry Galas**, his family and parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Milwaukee, WI.



**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 LITURGICAL CALENDAR** is publishing for members of the PNCC. This calendar contains information concerning PNCC holy days. For individual orders the calendar cost is **\$3.50**. If someone is interested to purchase this calendar, please sign your name on the list on the vestibule. The deadline for all orders is **December 7, 2014**.

**2015 HOME BLESSING** - list is placed next to the bulletin. If you **really** need your home to be blessed, please sign up your 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 BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 20 – Julian Bednarek.

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




**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. 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.