# St. John the Baptist Parish

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**Solemnity of Pentecost - "A"**Zesłanie Ducha Świętego

June 8, 2014

Lord, I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and Your Church will grow.

### **EVENTS** for the **WEEK**

Holy Mass - 10:00AM - Traditional liturgy in English.

### Today, June 8th - Solemnity of Pentecost - June is a Sacred Vocation Month.

The Holy Spirit transforms our lives so that through God's power we are sent out as missionaries of Christ tobuild up His body and further His kingdom of love, mercy and peace.

10:00AM – Holy Mass intention: for Sp. Sue Pascavage, of. by the Blessed Sacrament Society.

Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

#### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon**., 1 Kings 17:1-6; Matthew 5:1-12; **Tue**., 1 Kings 17:7-16; Matthew 5:13-16; **Wed**., 1 Kings 18:20-39; Matthew 5:17-19; **Thu**., 1 Kings 18:41-46; Matthew 5:20-26; **Fri**., 1 Kings 19:9a.11-16; Matthew 5:27-32;

## MONDAY, June 9th - Pentecost Monday

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

# WEDNESDAY, June 11th - Feast - St. Barnabas, Apostle

6:00PM - Holy Mass for all Deceased.

## FRIDAY, June 13<sup>th</sup> - Pentecost Friday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Antonina Jaskowiak, of. by Janina Plichta.

## SATURDAY, June 14<sup>th</sup> - Pentecost Saturday

1:00PM – Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting in Hazleton, PA.

## NEXT SUNDAY, June 15<sup>th</sup> - Solemnity of the Holy Trinity - *Father's Day*

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all Fathers.

- Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- △ Collection Clergy Pension Fund.

#### Today's liturgy

## <u>ASPERGES</u> – I saw water - proceeding from the temple, from the right side. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All sinners saved by healing water shall proclaim as they are set free: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

To the Lord sing praises for He is gracious. His mercy shall endure throughout all the ages.

Glory to the Father, and Son, And to the Holy Spirit,

As it was in the beginning, Now and for ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

### **ENTRANCE RITE** (Wisdom 1:7-8)

V. For the Spirit of the Lord fills the world, is all-embracing, and knows what man says. Alleluia!

R. Therefore no one who utters wicked things can go unnoticed, nor will chastising condemnation pass him by. Alleluia!

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: Acts 2:1-11

They were filled with the Holy Spirit who gave them the gift of speech.

### **GRADUAL** (Zephaniah 3:8a-9)

V. Therefore, wait for me, says the Lord. For then I will change and purify the lips of the peoples. Alleluia!

R. That they all may call upon the Name of the Lord, to serve Him with one accord. Alleluia!

#### II Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13

The Spirit gives gifts generously as the disciples are sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### **ALLELUIA** (Joel 3:1)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- V. I will pour out My Spirit upon all humankind. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **GOSPEL:** John 20:19-23

Fear is changed to courage as the disciples are sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **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.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

### **GENERAL CHURCH**

July 4-12<sup>th</sup> KURS for the Youth (Waymart, PA)

July 21-25<sup>th</sup> National Youth Convocation (Heidelberg University in Tiffin, OH)

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

## PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

June 14<sup>th</sup> Seniorate Council meeting in Hazleton, PA (1:00PM)
June 19<sup>th</sup> Corpus Christi service in McAdoo, PA (7:00PM)

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

June 13<sup>th</sup> "Bleenie" Sale.

#### **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 and Mr. Jacob Komara for being a lectors;
- to **Dylan Whitecavage** for his help at the altar last Sunday.
- to the Sunday greeters.

**TNAHK YOU** to everyone for preparing the Children Items Chinese Auction last Sunday!

<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.

**RECTORY** – a new storm door were purchased and installed last Wednesday! Thank you.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for Father Senior Frederick Banas, his family and parishioners of Holy Cross Parish in Ware, MA.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: June 14 – William Solnoki III; June 8 – Leonard Halaburda; June 11 – Cecelia Pyzowski, Lance Nelson; June 12 – Ann Lech; June 13 – John Golba.

Tokarczyk.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: June 8 – George and Maryann

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Wiesław Pietruszka - James Chistakoff – Sarah Powanda – Joseph Makauskas - Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Carolyn Boychak – Anna Folta – John Kruk – Charles Chiao Jr. – Cheryl Stanitis - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill. 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); Shenandoah Manor – Russell Sincavage (B11).



**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>: June 15: all Fathers; June 22: Sp. James Dean; June 29: Sp. Sue Pascavage; July 6: Sp. Michael & Sophia Stetts; July 13: Sp. James Dean; July 20: Sp. David Halaburda; July 27: Sp. Dorothy Halaburda; Aug. 3: Sp. David Halaburda; Aug. 10: Sp. David Halaburda; Aug. 17: Sp. James Dean; Aug. 24: Sp. James Dean. *Please, do not order the Mass intentions 3 months in advance.* 

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>CLERGY PENSION FUND COLLECTION</u> – <u>June 15</u>. The PNCC has designated Father's Day as a special day to remember our retired shepherds. Currently – retired priests receive \$600.00 monthly with surviving spouses receiving half. Please continue your yearly donations. By doing so, we will show our clergy that we truly support them!

<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.

#### THE SEQUENCE

Several times a year the Church adds extra texts to the Mass. These are placed between the Alleluia and the Gospel and are called "Tropes" or "Sequences". In the Middle Ages they developed as commentaries or reflections on the theme of the feast day. Because they had to be memorized, they were set to music. Eventually they included poems and material that had no official approval. Because of this, he Council of Trent reduced their number to four in the 16th century. (A fifth-the Stabat Mater-was later added.) The Sequence for Pentecost is one of those texts. It is known as the "Golden Sequence" because of its sweetness and short length. It developed between the 11th and 13th centuries, possibly written by monks from Switzerland. Its Latin name is "Veni Sancte Spiritus". There are several musical settings of the original poem.