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**If you want to
You can cure me**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"

Szósta Niedziela Zwyczajna

February 15, 2015

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, February 15th – VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus Christ is the model for our life. His example of life, His healing love, reveals to us the love of God in human form. By God's grace may we become like Christ Jesus in our own lives.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Lauren Feudale**, of. by Grandparents: Theresa & Joseph Petrusky.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Genesis 4:1-15.25; Mark 8:11-13; **Tue.**, Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5.10; Mark 8:14-21; **Ash Wednesday:** Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20 – 6:2; Matthew 6:1-6.16-18; **Thu.** after Ash Wed., Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25; **Fri.** after Ash Wed., Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15; **Sat.** after Ash Wed., Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

MONDAY, February 16th – Weekday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Prime Bishop Francis Hodur** (62nd Anniversary of death).

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 18th

10:00AM – Holy Mass with Blessing and Distribution of Ashes.

12:00 Noon – Distribution of ashes.

4:00PM – Distribution of ashes.

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

THURSDAY, February 19th - Lenten Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass for the remission of sins.

FRIDAY, February 20th - Lenten Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass

6:00PM – Stations of the Cross.

NEXT SUNDAY, February 22nd – I Sunday of Lent

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **James Dean**, of. by Wife Marjorie.

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 (Luke 4:27; Psalm 41:5)

V. There were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.

R. Once I prayed, “Lord, have mercy on me; heal me, I have sinned against You.

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: Leviticus 13:1-2.44-46

Separation from the community is a rule laid down for those with a contagious disease.

GRADUAL (Sirach 38:9-11)

V. My son, when you are ill, delay not, but pray to God, Who will heal you. Flee wickedness; let your hands be just, cleanse your heart of every sin.

R. Offer your sweet-smelling oblation and petition, a rich offering according to your means.

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Christ Jesus is the true model of life.

ALLELUIA (Matthew 8:2b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Lord, if You wish, You can make me clean.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:40-45

Jesus heals a helper and finds He has to stay outside.

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 give you grace to model your lives on Him.

COMING EVENTS

CENTRAL DIOCESE

May 2 Diocesan Council Meeting

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

Feb. 18 Ash Wednesday

March 4 Frackville Ministerium Lenten Ecumenical Service (7:00PM)

March 29 Palm Sunday

Apr. 5 Easter Sunday

May 16 First Holy Communion Day (Saturday – 11:00AM)

June 14 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 **Veronica, Dylan and Joe** for their help at the altar.
- to **Sunday greeters**.

LAST WEEK ATTENDANCE STATISTIC – Sunday, February 8 – 19.

THE ANNUAL MEETING – on February 1 was cancelled by the Bishop. The next date will be announced later. Please, keep to be in contact with your pastor.

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 – beginning January 2015, our church dues is **\$124.00** per adult member.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Matthew Kawiak**, his family and parishioners of Holy Family Parish in North Java, NY [holyfamilyncc.org].

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: February 17 – Joelle Karvois.




HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: February 17 – Stephen and Joelle Karvois.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Bishop Bernard Nowicki - Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko – Paul Elsavage – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Sharon Chiao – Carolyn Boychak – John Kruk – Charles Chiao Jr. - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill – Patricia Abicunas – Joseph Petrusky. At **Nursing Homes:** – ***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.

2015/2016 - Upcoming First Holy Communion and Confirmation Classes – Parents and guardians must bring their children to the church for Sunday Mass – at least 1 year before the class begins. It does apply to children who presently don't come to the church at all or once/twice a year. Holy Communion is to receiving the Body and Blood of Christ, not cookies or a bar of chocolate – so children **must** be familiar with church services.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Feb. 22:** Sp. James Dean; **March 1:** for those who were touched with cancer; **March 8:** Sp. Anna Folta; **March 15:** Sp. Anna Folta; **March 22:** Sp. James Dean; **March 29:** Janina Plichta on her Birthday; **Apr. 12:** Sp. Anna Folta; **Apr. 19:** Sp. Michael & Sophia Stetts; **Apr. 26:** Sp. James Dean; **May 3:** Sp. Anna Folta; **June 7:** Sp. Josephine Studlick.

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.

SNOW and ICE ALERT- During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth. **WARNING** – If someone would like to come to the rectory in the winter time, please use **the front porch door** (if there is no icy weather). The water leaks and stairs are sometimes full of ice.

Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment. (Jim Rohn)