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RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego
April 5, 2015

Lord, I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and Your Church will grow in number of holy, respectful and dedicated people.

9:00 AM – Easter Procession and Holy Mass – intention: for **All Parishioners.**



Order of Procession: Processional Cross, Paschal Candle, Resurrection Statue, Resurrection Cross, Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society with candles, Altar Servers (if any), Celebrant with Monstrance, Choir, Parishioners. Mary Magdalene was the first witness of the resurrection of Jesus. Yet resurrection is also a part of our own daily lives if we have the open eyes and hearts to accept the good news.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 2:14,22-23; Matthew 28:8-15; **Tue.**, Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18; **Wed.**, Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35;
Thu., Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48; **Fri.**, Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14; **Sat.**, Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15

MONDAY, April 6th – Easter Monday

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for health of Janina Plichta
6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the parish committee.

TUESDAY, April 7th – Easter Tuesday

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: Sp. **Jan** and **Marianna Zaborowski**, of. by Janina Plichta & family.

WEDNESDAY, April 8th – Easter Wednesday

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Deceased.

THURSDAY, April 9th – Easter Thursday

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Krystyna** and **Jerzy Plichta**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

SATURDAY, April 11th - Easter Saturday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Albert** and **Helen Smith**, of. by Patricia Fried & family.

11:00-12:00 – First Holy Communion Catechism Class.

Next Sunday, April 12th – Second Sunday of Easter

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Anna Folta.

Today's liturgy

Priest: Chwała Tobie Trójco -

H O L Y M A S S

ENTRANCE

(Psalm 139:18,5b-6a; 118:1-2)

V. I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom.
Alleluia.

R.O Lord, You have probed me and You know me; You know when I sit and when I stand. 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 10:34,37-43

St. Peter proclaims the death of Jesus as a prelude to the resurrection.

THE GRADUAL

(Psalms 118:22-23,24,1-2,16-17 – R.118:24)

V. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.
Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, “His mercy endures forever.”
Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. “The right hand of the Lord has struck with power; the right hand of the Lord is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.” Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.
Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

II Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

We are now living a new life because of the resurrection of Jesus.

Or: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

Through the sacrificial death of Jesus on the cross, we have become new dough, the “unleavened bread of sincerity and truth”.

THE ALLELUIA

(1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. For our paschal Lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Mary Magdalene, the first witness to the resurrection, found it hard to convince the apostles. It was only when Peter and John saw the empty tomb for themselves that they believed her words.

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.

OFFERTORY VERSE

(Psalm 76:9b-10a)

V. The earth feared and was silent when God arose in judgment. Alleluia.

COMMUNION VERSE

(Romans 6:9)

V. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more, death no longer has power over Him. Alleluia.

May our risen Lord protect you and watch over you as you leave our gathering today. May you go out into the world to proclaim the good news of the Resurrection.

Coming events

GENERAL CHURCH

Apr. 24-26 National ANS Convention (Sterling Heights, MI)

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)

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

June 14 Confirmation (3:00PM)

July 26 Automobiles Blessing (after the Mass)

October 3 Animals Blessing (1:00PM at the parking)

Nov. 8 Veteran's Day Celebration

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 **Veronica, Dylan** and **Joe** for their help at the altar last Sunday
- to the **Sunday greeters**, the people working on fundraisers.

THANK YOU very much to members of the Blessed Sacrament Society for purchasing flowers for Easter and to **Mrs. Janina Plichta** for decorating the church for the Holy Week and Easter celebration!

THANK YOU very much to our Parishioners for sending Easter wishes and all gifts to the Rectory! May God Bless You All!

Many THANKS to **Veronica, Dylan** and to all who help us during the liturgy of the Holy Week!

LAST WEEK STATISTIC – Sunday, March 29 – 44; Holy Thursday – 11; Good Friday – 14; Holy Saturday – 22.

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.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: April 4 – Charles Chiao III; April 6 – Rose Kolos.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for: 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 – Joseph Petrusky. At **Nursing Homes**: – **Frackville Nursing Home**: 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).

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: Apr. 12: Sp. Anna Folta; **Apr. 19:** Sp. Michael & Sophia Stetts; **Apr. 26:** Sp. James Dean; **May 3:** Sp. Anna Folta; **May 17:** Sp. James Dean; **May 24:** Sp. Patricia Abicunas; **May 31:** Sp. Louise Gursky; **June 7:** Sp. Josephine Studlick; **June 28:** Sp. James Dean; **July 5:** Sp. Louise Gursky; **July 12:** Sp. Louise Gursky; **July 19:** Sp. James Dean; **July 26:** Sp. Louise Gursky; **Aug. 23:** Sp. James Dean; **Sep. 20:** Sp. James Dean; **Sep. 27:** PNU Members; **Oct. 18:** Sp. James Dean; **Nov. 15:** Sp. James Dean; **Dec. 20:** Sp. James Dean.

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.

Future 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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Bruce Sleczkowski**, his family, and parishioners of Holy Family Parish in McKeesport, PA and Transfiguration of our Lord Parish in Mount Pleasant, PA.

It's not too late! Thinking about sailing with the PNU in November? There is still time to make your reservation on the Independence of the Seas sailing to Belize & Cozumel, November 7th – 12th, 2015. Room availability is becoming limited so you are urged to call to reserve your cabin today. Please contact the Cruise People at 1-800-642-2469 to book your reservation.



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 should come to **private** Confession. If children (until Confirmation) would like to receive the Holy Communion in a worthy manner they must come for private confession at least once a month. If other times are necessary please contact Fr. Robert.



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.

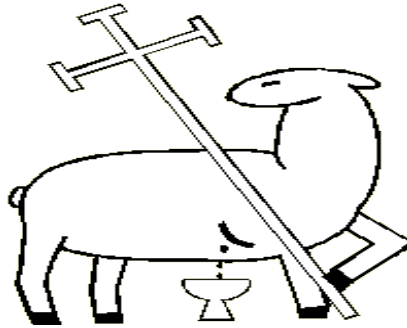
April/May Promotion - A Time for Growth and Renewal with the PNU

Spring is a time when sunny days lead to blooming trees, flowers, and new growth. This is a good time to find out how the PNU can help add new growth to your financial portfolio. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the things the PNU can offer to help you and your family grow financially. Contact the PNU Home Office at **1-800-724-6352** for more information on ways to grow financially.

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.



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!



Happy Resurrection Day to all of you and your families!