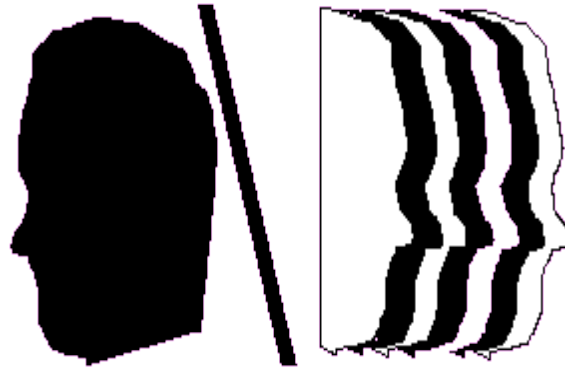


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**A Prophet is honored
everywhere except
among his own...**

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"
Czternasta Niedziela Zwykła

July 5, 2015

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, July 5th – XIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

God speaks to us through the prophets. God gives us a more just vision of the society we live in, but we often reject this message.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Louise Gursky**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Chester Gursky.

- ⤴ Confession.
- ⤴ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ⤴ Collection for mission.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Genesis 28:10-22a; Matthew 9:18-26; **Tue.**, Genesis 32:23-33; Matthew 9:32-38; **Wed.**, Genesis 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Matthew 10:1-7; **Thu.**, Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5; Matthew 10:7-15; **Fri.**, Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30; Matthew 10:16-23; **Sat.**, Genesis 49:29-32, 50:15-26a; Matthew 10:24-33

MONDAY, July 6th – *Weekday*

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

TUESDAY, July 7th – *Weekday*

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

WEDNESDAY, July 8th – *Weekday*

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

THURSDAY, July 9th – *Weekday*

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Paul Elsavage**, of. by Ms. Dolores Halaburda.

NEXT SUNDAY, July 12th – *XV Sunday in Ordinary Time*

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Louise Gursky, of. by Joe & Irene Kamrowsky.

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 (Isaiah 1:4; 2 Chronicles 15:2b)

V. Ah! Sinful nation, people laden with wickedness, evil race, corrupt children! They have forsaken the Lord, spurned the Holy One of Israel, apostatized.

R. The Lord is with you when you are with Him, and if you seek Him, He will be present to you; but if you abandon Him, He will abandon 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: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Ezekiel the prophet will speak God's word to the people even if they refuse to listen.

GRADUAL (Jeremiah 5:23; 2 Kings 17:14)

V. But this people's heart is stubborn and rebellious; they turn and go away.

R. They did not listen, but were stiff-necked as their fathers, who had not believed in the Lord, their God.

II Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

St. Paul boasts of his weakness, for God can still work through him.

ALLELUIA (1 Samuel 10:19a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. But today you have rejected your God, Who delivers you from all your evils and calamities.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-6

Jesus, despite His wisdom, is rejected in His home town; for that is how prophets are treated.

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.

May the Lord strengthen us with His word, and guide us into the paths of justice.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

July 21 National United Choirs Convention and Music Workshop – Dupont, PA (through Friday)
Oct. 2-4 72nd United YMSofR Convention – South Deerfield, MA.

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

July 14 ANS meeting (6:00PM)
July 26 Automobiles Blessing (after the Mass)
Aug. 2 “Ice Cream Social” - 2:00-5:00PM
Sep. 17 Spaghetti Dinner
Oct. 3 Animals Blessing (1:00PM at the parking)
Oct. 4 Baptism: Theodore Leonard Tokarczyk
Oct. 18 Chinese Auction
Nov. 8 Veteran's Day Celebration

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to:

- to **Janina Plichta** preparing the altars, and the church for services;
- to **Mrs. Cindy Eickhoff** and to the Choir members;
- to **Mr. James Abicunas** for being a lector;
- to **Veronica** and **Joe** for their help at the altar;
- to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

LAST WEEK ATTENDANCE STATISTIC – Sunday, June 28 – 25.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Dennis Ruda**, his family and parishioners of All Saints Parish in Johnson City, NY.

THE NEXT ANS MEETING – **July 14 at 6:00PM** in the hall.



CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **October 18, 2015** in the parish hall. We are asking all parishioners to help with the fundraiser by donating new items for this event. We are also appealing to you for your help. Everyone's help is needed especially on the day of the auction. THANK YOU.

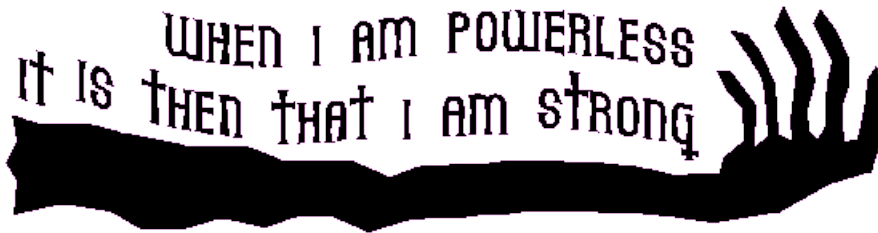
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – John Kruk – Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill – Joseph Petrusky. At Nursing Homes: – **Frackville Nursing Home**: John Etcho (302) - 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: **July 12**: Sp. Louise Gursky; **July 19**: Sp. James Dean; **July 26**: Sp. Louise Gursky; **Aug. 2**: Sp. Louise Gursky; **Aug. 9**: Sp. Patricia Abicunas; **Aug. 16**: Sp. Kurt Elsavage; **Aug. 23**: Sp. James Dean; **Aug. 30**: Sp. Kurt Elsavage. **The Sundays Mass intentions are busy until the end of May 2016. Please, do not order Mass intentions for Sunday until Spring of 2016. Daily Masses are available at any time.**

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.**

DUES 2015. Since January 2005, a change was made that eliminated the ‘family plan’ method for paying Church dues. This change was voted upon and approved at the 2002 General Synod.

Each adult member (18 years old+) will now be recorded as an individual unit. This means every adult member is now responsible for his/her own dues. To continue to be a member at St. John the Baptist parish and a member of the Polish National Catholic Church each adult will be responsible for paying the following:

Total dues for 2015 per Adult Member: \$124.00 Per Year

The parish itself has an obligation to pay dues according to the number of active members to the General Church and Diocese and our financial administration distributes these monies also as directed by the General Synod. A breakdown of where these dollars are sent is available upon request.

There are also many other funds within your parish that require your attention and need your donations:

Sunday Collection, St. Johns Fund, Fuel Fund, Cemetery Fund, Clergy/Pension Fund, Easter Donations, Flower Fund, and Christmas Donations.

A Prophet Has Been Among Them

Many people wrongly believe that the job of a prophet is to predict the future. Actually, prophets only occasionally make predictions, some never predicted anything. The word that is usually translated "prophet" is the Hebrew word "nabi" which means "one who sees." In the biblical sense "seeing" means understanding, as in "Oh, I see!" Prophets are simply deeply sensitive people with a strong faith. They can "see" a connection between what is going on around them and the ideas of God. We might call them interpreters of God's sign language.