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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"

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August 2, 2015

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, August 2nd – XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

„I am the bread of life” expresses Jesus' saving relationship towards the world. He asks us to place God firmly in our plans if we are to lead faithful lives.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Louise Gursky**, of. by Blessed Sacrament Society.

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

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Numbers 11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21; **Tue.**, Numbers 12:1-13; Matthew 14:22-36; **Wed.**, Numbers 13:1-2.25-14:1.26a-29a.34-35; Matthew 15:21-28; **Thu.**, Daniel 7:9-10.13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28b-36; **Fri.**, Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew 16:24-28; **Sat.**, Deuteronomy 6:4-13; Matthew 17:14-20

MONDAY, August 3rd - Feast - Finding the Body of St. Stephen

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

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

WEDNESDAY, August 5th - *Weekday*

6:00PM – Holy Mass for health.

THURSDAY, August 6th - Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

FRIDAY, August 7th - **First Sunday of the month**

5-6:00PM – Private adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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

NEXT SUNDAY, August 9th – XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Patricia Abicunas, of. by the Elsavage family.

2-5:00PM – Ice Cream Social.

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 (Psalm 78:19.20b-21a.22)

V. Yes, they spoke against God, saying: “Can God spread a table in the desert? Can He also give bread, and provide meat for His people?”

R. Then the Lord heard and was enraged; because they believed not God nor trusted in His help.

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: Exodus 16:2-4.12-15

God provides manna in the desert for the people of Israel who have recently fled Egypt. It is a story of God's abundant provision and care for God's people.

GRADUAL (Psalm 78:24-25.27)

V. He rained manna for the people to eat, He gave them the grain of heaven. Men ate the bread of angels; He sent them all the food they could eat.

R. He rained meat on them like dust, flying birds like the sand on the seashore.

II Reading: Ephesians 4:17.20-24

St. Paul expresses that a Christian life is a fundamentally changed life, one that requires a change of spirituality and lifestyle.

ALLELUIA (Exodus 16:31)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Israelites called this food “manna”. It was like coriander seed, but white, and it tasted like wafers made with honey.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

Jesus tells the people that the bread they are seeking is not the food but himself. „I am the bread of life.” He says.

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 love of God for all people and creation inspire you to be compassionate and generous to all you meet this coming week.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

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)

Aug. 9 “Ice Cream Social” - 2:00-5:00PM
Aug. 23 “Penny” auction
Sep. 13 Semi-Annual Parish meeting after the Mass
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** for her 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, July 26 – **18**.

PARISH INFO - We are in the process of replacement of 11 windows in the parish rectory and the approximately cost of this work is **\$4,700.00**. Also – we plan the carpeting work in the rectory's living and dining room – the cost would be around **\$1,700.00**. If any of our **Parishioners** and **Friends** would like to make some contributions toward these projects – your donation is really appreciated – Bóg Zapłaci!

- ⚭ Our Parish is going to have the **Semi-Annual Parish Meeting** held on **Sunday, September 13, 2015** immediately after the Holy Mass. Please, do not ignore this event; this is your church organized **92 years ago** and we need to SURVIVE! No election will take place; we would like to now where we are and where we would like to go.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Walter Placek**, his family and parishioners of the Providence of God Parish (Lithuanian) in Scranton, PA [providenceofgod.tripod.com].

„PENNY AUCTION” will be held on **Sunday, Aug. 23**; doors open at 12:00Noon; the auction begins at 1:00PM. Participants please bring \$2.00 as admission and inexpensive gifts. Everyone are Welcome!



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. *Thank you to our Parishioners who already donated gifts to this event.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 10 – Kenneth Payne, Troy Payne.



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). **Shenandoah Manor** – Walter Jaskierski.



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: 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.**