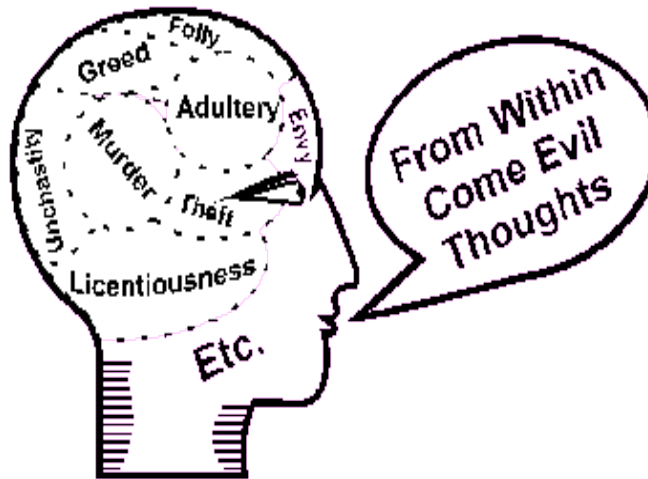


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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"

Dwudziesta Druga Niedziela Zwykła

August 30, 2015

O Lord I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and this parish will grow in number of really holy and dedicated people: to God and to the Church.

EVENTS for the WEEK

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

Today, August 30th – XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Youth Sunday

Today we are reminded that customs and traditions are of value only in the measure that they help us draw closer to God.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Kurt Elsavage**, of. by Ms. Angela Elsavage.

^ Collection – Youth Fund.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30; **Tue.**, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6.9-11; Luke 4:31-37; **Wed.**, Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44; **Thu.**, Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11; **Fri.**, Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 5:33-39; **Sat.**, Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5

MONDAY, August 31st – *Weekday*

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing for **Victoria** and **Veronica Plichta**, of. by **Parents**.

WEDNESDAY, September 2nd – *Weekday*

8:30AM – Holy Mass for **health**.

THURSDAY, September 3rd – Weekday

8:30AM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing for Father Robert and Janina Plichta - 16th anniversary of marriage.

FRIDAY, September 4th – First Friday of the month

8:30AM – Holy Mass to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for Sp. **Peter** and **Mary Studlick**, of. by Mrs. Carol Blackwell.

5:00-7:00PM – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 6th - XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. John David, of. Mrs. Barbara David.

- ⋈ Confession.
- ⋈ Collection for missions.
- ⋈ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

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 19:8-9)

V. The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

R. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye.

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: Deuteronomy 4:1-2.6-8

Moses urges the people to observe God's commands if they wish to have life and be recognized by the world as wise and prudent.

Responsorial Psalm: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

II Reading: James 1:17-18.21-22.27

We are the children of God, blessed with God's word and called to submit to it, in particular by caring for those who are poor.

ALLELUIA (Jas 1:18)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Father willed to give us birth by the word of truth we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23

It is a tragedy to follow human traditions rather than the laws of God and to be unaware that evil comes from the heart, not from failures to observe ritual washings.

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.

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GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

- ⋈ **Celebrant:** Let us enlist the help of our loving Father, as we pray for our own needs and those of our sisters and brothers.

- For our bishops: that, guided by the Holy Spirit, they may introduce change wisely and in accordance with God's will. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For those who are fearful of change: that they may see the wisdom in Blessed John Henry Newman's words: "to live is to change. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- For children and children and youth: that Holy Spirit will guide them in this new school year. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- For all of us: that in their love and sincerity, our hearts may resemble that of our Lord, who is gentle and humble in heart.
- Let us pray for our loved ones who have been called home – **Kurt Elsavage** – may they enjoy eternal rest and peace. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

▲ **Celebrant:** Almighty Father, You see everything that is in our hearts, and the deepest thoughts of our minds; we ask You to hear the prayers that we bring to You, spoken and unspoken, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the Father of all light bring brightness into your life. May the Son share with you the message of eternal life. May the Holy Spirit touch your hearts and fill them with love.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

Oct. 2-4 72nd United YMSofR Convention – South Deerfield, MA.

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

Sep. 19 Deacon's Ordination in McAdoo, PA (3:00PM)

Sep. 20 Rev. Janiec 25th Anniversary of Ordination celebration in Hazleton, PA (Holy Mass, Dinner in „Capriotti's”)

Oct. 17 Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting (1:00PM in Wilkes-Barre, PA)

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

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. 7 Soup & food sale

Nov. 8 Veteran's Day Celebration

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to:

- to **Mrs. 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 STATISTIC: August 23 – 17.

THANK YOU very much to our **Parishioners** for organizing the wonderful “Penny” auction last Sunday, to all who worked and **PARTICIPATED!** May God Bless You All!

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski**, his family and parishioners of Holy Cross Parish in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

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 – the carpeting work will be done in the rectory's living and dining room this summer – 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 Zapłać!

⚡ 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. Any discussion? Fine.

Ladies Blessed Sacrament Society will sponsor a SPAGHETTI DINNER on Thursday, September 17, 2015; Time: 4:00PM to 7:00PM. Donation: \$8.00. To order please call **570-874-0119** by Sept. 13, 2015". There will be a limited number of walk-ins available.



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: Sep. 2 – Michael Stetts; Sep. 4 – Samantha Stanitis.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 3 – Father Robert and Janina Plichta.




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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko – John Etcho - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – Kruk – 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); **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: **Sep. 6:** Sp. John David; **Sep. 13:** Sp. Mary Hoffner; **Sep. 20:** Sp. James Dean; **Sep. 27:** PNU Members; **Oct. 4:** Sp. Regina David; **Oct. 11:** Sp. Paul Elsavege; **Oct. 18:** Sp. James Dean; **Oct. 25:** Sp. Paul Elsavege. **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.**

 **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.


The Solemnity of Brotherly Love – September 13, 2015 will be here in a few short weeks. Just prior to this commemoration Prime Bishop Mikovsky will host a webinar for our entire Church on Wednesday – September 9th at 7 pm (EST). The intent of the webinar is to bring as many PNCC members and others together to hear Prime Bishop's spiritual address and to prepare for the Solemnity through prayer, reflection, music, and meditation.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE BROTHERLY LOVE WEBINAR

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/regist.../1084478373868742145>

You must register in order to view the webinar. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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.