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Solemnity – Christ the King of the Universe - “B”
Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 22, 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 – Traditional liturgy in English.

Today, November 22nd – Christ - the King - XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

On this final Sunday in the Church's year, we celebrate Jesus Christ as king. He is the first and the last, the Alpha and the Omega of our lives.

10:00AM – Holy Mass with the reading of the *Memorial List*, intention: for Sp. **Bernard Jr.** and **Dorothy Halaburda**, of. by Daughter, Sandra & family.

4:00PM – Community Thanksgiving Service at New Hope Wesleyan Church in Frackville, PA.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Daniel 1:1-6.8-20; Luke 21:1-4; **Tue.**, Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11; **Wed.**, Daniel 5:1-6.13-14.16-17.23-28; Luke 21:12-19; **Thu.**, Daniel 6:12-28; Luke 21:20-28; **Fri.**, Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33; **Sat.**, Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36

MONDAY, November 23rd - *Weekday*

6:00PM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Mary Ann Etcho**, of. by Husband, John.

TUESDAY, November 24th - *Weekday*

6:00PM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Walter Jaskierski**, of. by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Caruso.

WEDNESDAY, November 25th - Weekday

8:30AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Stefanowicz & Brennan families (All Souls).

FRIDAY, November 27th - Weekday

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 29th - I Sunday of Advent

10:00AM - Holy Mass with the reading of the *Memorial List*, intention: for Sp. Paul Elsavage, of. by Mrs. Mary O'Donnel & family.

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 (Sirach 18:3; Psalm 22:28-29)

V. The Lord guides the world with a turn of His hand, and all things obey His will. For He is King of all, and by His power He separates what is holy from what is not.

R. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; All the families of the nations shall bow down before Him. For dominion is the Lord's, and He rules the nations.

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: Daniel 7:13-14

The prophet sees a vision of one coming on the clouds of heaven.

GRADUAL (Psalm 145:10-13)

V. Let all Your works give You thanks, o Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You. Let them discourse of the glory of Your kingdom and speak of Your might.

R. Making known to men Your might and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom. Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and Your dominion endures through all generations.

II Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8

Jesus is the ruler of the kings of the earth.

ALLELUIA (Isaiah 43:15)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. I am the Lord, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 18:33-37

Jesus is a king. He was born for this.

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, who revealed to Pilate the true nature of His kingdom, keep you in His grace.

COMING EVENTS

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 6:00PM)

Dec. 6 Frackville Elks Memorial Service (2:00PM)

Dec. 12 Christmas Party (1:00PM)
Dec. 13 Decorating the church for Christmas (after the Mass)
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Mass – 10:00PM

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 **Joe** for his help at the altar last Sunday.
- to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

NEWS – **Mr. Michael Fannick** repaired pipes in the rectory's basement last Friday. Thank you! Thank you also to **Mr. Joseph Petrusky** for making some contacts to fix one of our heaters.

LAST WEEK ATTENDANCE STATISTIC – Sunday, November 15 – 27.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Joseph Kolek**, his family and parishioners of the PNCC of Resurrection Parish in Brooklyn, NY.

PARISH UPDATES – At the last meeting of the Parish Committee some important decisions were made regarding funerals: **1) NO VIEWING in the church** for non member, former or delinquent member of the parish; **2) the Funeral Mass** for non members of the parish (if they are to be buried **not** at our cemetery) - **\$250.00 (plus fee** for the pastor and the organist) should be paid to the parish prior the Mass.

CHRISTMAS PARTY – covered dish, will take place on **Saturday, December 12 at 1:00PM** in the hall. Everyone are welcome! If you decide to join us at this celebration, please sign up the list in the vestibule and what kind of food you would like to bring for the party. Please, bring one inexpensive gift also. Parents and guardians are responsible to provide gifts for their children. The deadline to sign your name is **November 30**.

Decorating the church for Christmas will take place on **Sunday, December 13** immediately after the Holy Mass.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 28 – Joanne Plaxa.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – John Kruk – John Etcho - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Frank Gill – Joseph Petrusky. At **Nursing Homes:** – 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.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Petrusky are looking for the book of pictures from the Guardian Angel Parish. If anyone has it at home, please bring it to the church ASAP. Thank you.

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UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: Nov. 29: Sp. Paul Elsavage; Dec. 6: Sp. Paul Elsavage; Dec. 13: Sp. Paul Elsavage; Dec. 20: Sp. James Dean; Dec. 27: Sp. Paul 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.**

All Mass intentions ordered before, will be celebrated during the week. *Daily Masses are available at any time.*

DUES 2015. 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.

The dues should be paid \$124.00 total in one time until **December 31, 2015.**

2016 HOME BLESSING – if anyone wishes their home to be blessed, please sign the list in the vestibule, or contact Fr. Robert personally. The deadline is: **November 30, 2015.** Thank you for your cooperation.

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! If you are new to our parish, please submit your name, address and telephone number to **Father Robert.** Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding our church. **WELCOME!** You are always welcome to join us in worship. **Come as a Guest – Leave as a Friend.**