

St. John the Baptist Parish

Polish National Catholic Church

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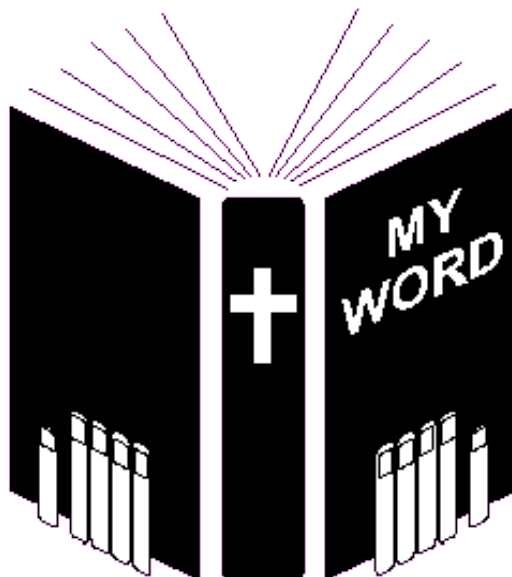
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***Whoever Loves Me
Will Keep It***

Sixth Sunday of Easter - "C"

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May 1, 2016

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, May 1st – VI Sunday of Easter

The indwelling of the Holy Spirit, sent by the risen Lord, gives the Church the grace and courage to spread the Good News through the apostles and their fellow workers.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Paul Elsavage**, of. by Ms. Bertha Wareda.

- ✦ Confession.
- ✦ Collection for missions.
- ✦ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ✦ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14; **Tue.**, Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11; **Wed.**, Acts 17:15.22 – 18:1;

John 16:12-15; **Thu.**, Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13 or 4:1-7.11-13 or Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23;
Luke 24:46-53; **Fri.**, Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23; **Sat.**, Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

MONDAY, May 2nd – Feast – SS. Philip & James, Apostles

8:30AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Edward** and **Helena Zaborowscy**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

TUESDAY, May 3rd – Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross

8:30AM - Holy Mass – intention for: Sp. **Józef** and **Aniela Plichta**, of. by Fr. Robert & family.

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

WEDNESDAY, May 4th – *Easter Weekday*

6:00PM – Holy Mass for Health.

THURSDAY, May 5th – Solemnity – Ascension of our Lord – Holy Day of Obligation

6:00PM – Holy Mass, intention: God's blessing to Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

FRIDAY, May 6th - *Easter Weekday* – First Friday of the month

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

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

SATURDAY, May 7th - *Easter Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Regina David**, of. by Mrs. Barbara David.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 8th – VII Sunday of Easter – Mothers' Day

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Mothers.

^ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Today's liturgy

ASPERGES – **I saw the water** - proceeding from the temple, from the right side. Alleluia, alleluia. All sinners saved by healing water shall proclaim, as they are set free: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. To the Lord sing praises for He is gracious. His mercy shall endure throughout all the ages. Glory be to the Father, and Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, now and forever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen, amen.

ENTRANCE RITE (Romans 15:13; Ephesians 2:17)

V. May the Lord of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia.

R. He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. 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 15:1-2.22-29

After the great Council of Jerusalem, Paul and Barnabas continue to work for the inclusion of the Gentiles in the new covenant.

GRADUAL (2 Corinthians 13:11; Galatians 6:16a)

V. Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Alleluia.

R. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 21:10-14.22-23

The apostle John shares his great vision of heaven, where Christ will reign for ever and we shall see God face to face.

ALLELUIA (Philippians 4:7)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

V. The peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

Jesus teaches His apostles that they will become temples of the Holy Trinity, and the Holy Spirit will be the guiding light of the Church.

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 Holy Trinity dwell always in your hearts and minds.

COMING EVENTS

GENERAL CHURCH

June 3-4 - 71st Annual YMSofR/PNCC Bowling Tournament – Dearborn Hts., MI
July 2-9 – Youth CURS in Waymart, PA
July 25-29 – Youth Convo – St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH

CENTRAL DIOCESE

May 7 – ANS Diocesan Convention in Wallington, NJ
Aug. 16-18 – Clergy Retreat & Conference – Mt. Pocono, PA
Oct. 6-8 – Diocesan Synod in Wallington, NJ

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

May 26 – Corpus Christi Service – 7:00PM in Edwardsville, PA
May 28 – Seniorate Council meeting – 1:00PM – Frackville, PA

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

May 8 – Mothers' Day celebration
May 29 – Memorial Day Service
June 5 – Mother's & Father's Day Brunch
June 10 - „Bleenie” Sale.
June 19 – Fathers' Day Celebration
July 24- Automobiles Blessing (after the Mass)
October 1 - Animals Blessing (1:00PM at the parking)
Nov. 13 - 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 **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.


THANK YOU very much to our **Parishioners** for preparing the “Penny” Auction last Sunday and to those who support this project! Thank you for all donations. Many thanks to **Mrs. Theresa Petrusky**, **Mrs. Jean Keim** and her **daughter** for preparing food and beverages.


THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Michal Gitner**, his family and parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish in Stratford, CT [web: stjosephsofstratford.org]

⤴ If our Parishioners would like to put a tombstone at the purchased cemetery lot, please contact first **Mr. George Wycheck**. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: May 1 – Joseph Edmondson.

– Gloria  **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – John Etcho - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Joseph Demnitski – Joseph Walukiewicz. At **Nursing Homes:** – NY – Cecelia Pyzowski. **H & R Center Tremont:** Dolores Halaburda. **Ridgeview (Shen. Hts.)** - Margaret Kruszynski (311) - Edward Ryszka Jr. (221); **Shenandoah Community Living Center** – Eugenia Tyrrell (A6).

 **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: **May 8:** Mother's Day; **May 15:** Sp. Paul Elsavage; **May 22:** Sp. James Dean; **May 29:** Sp. Paul Elsavage; **June 5** – Sp. Helen Seamon; **June 12** – Sp. Helen Seamon; **June 19** – Sp. Helen Seamon; **June 26** – Helen Seamon. Now - **Only Daily Masses are available.**

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.

I AM GOING AWAY

At the Last Supper Jesus announced that he was "going away". The Church interprets this as a reference to the Ascension. Where, exactly, did Jesus go and why? The people of the Middle East took things literally. They believed that heaven was somewhere beyond the sky--which they thought was a dome above the earth. Jesus did not come to teach astronomy, so he rose up into the sky as a way of saying that he was going to something "greater".

Why did he leave? He was probably teaching that his followers should no longer look for physical apparitions. He would remain spiritually with them through his Holy Spirit. This would force the disciples to begin their mission to "go out to all the world and preach the good news" to others as Jesus loves them.

 **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.**