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Seventh Sunday of Easter - "C"
Mother's Day

May 8, 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 8th – VII Sunday of Easter – Mother's Day

We are all called to be one, just as Jesus and His Father are one. We become one with each other and with them through our sharing in Holy Communion. But there are many others we are called to be one with us as well. May we learn how to be one with them too.

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

✠ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33; **Tue.**, Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11a; **Wed.**, Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19;
Thu., Acts 22:30. 23:6-11; John 17:20-26; **Fri.**, Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19; **Sat.**, Acts 28:16-20.30-31;
John 21:20-25

MONDAY, May 9th – *Easter Weekday*

10:00AM – Funeral Service for Sp. **Edward Ryszka Jr.**, held in Oravitz Funeral Home – Shenandoah, PA.

6:00PM – **Requiem Holy Mass** for Sp. **Archbishop Tadeusz Gocłowski**.

TUESDAY, May 10th – *Easter Weekday*

8:30AM – **Requiem Holy Mass** – intention for: Sp. **Bishop Joseph Padewski**.

WEDNESDAY, May 11th – *Easter Weekday*

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

THURSDAY, May 12th

6:30PM – Men's meeting in the hall regarding possibility of some work done around the church.

FRIDAY, May 13th - *Easter Weekday*

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

NEXT SUNDAY, May 15th – Solemnity of Pentecost

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

- ⤴ Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- ⤴ Blessed Sacrament Society meeting after the Mass.
- ⤴ Short meeting regarding the Mother's/Father's Day Brunch held June 5.

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 (Ephesians 4:1-3)

V. Live in a manner worthy of the call you have received. Alleluia.

R. With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace. 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 7:55-60

Stephen is stoned to death, offering his spirit to the Lord Jesus.

GRADUAL (Acts 2:46-47)

V. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. Alleluia.

R. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 22:12-14.16-17.20

Jesus, the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, promises to be with us soon.

ALLELUIA (Colossians 1:17)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 17:20-26

Jesus prays that we may all be one, just as He and His Father are one.

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 we be brought together in every greater unity through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

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

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 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**.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Zbigniew Kaszubski**, his family and parishioners of SS. Peter & Paul parish in New London, CT.



CORPUS CHRISTI SERVICE – Our annual Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service will be celebrated **Thursday May 26 at 7:00pm** hosted by **Resurrection of the Lord** PNCC, 35 Zerby Ave., **Edwardsville, PA**. All members of our Seniorate are cordially invited and encouraged to attend and participate in this traditional service of Procession, Prayer and Word honoring the Body of Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Following the Service there will be a reception with refreshments in the parish hall.




HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: May 13 – Theodore Leonard Tokarczyk.



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); *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 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.

 **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.**

ALPHA AND OMEGA

The Book of Revelation ends with a promise from Jesus that he will return from heaven. He calls himself, "the Alpha and the Omega." These are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. So, he is the cause and the goal of all creation. The very end of the book is the phrase, "Maranatha". This is an Aramaic phrase that probably means, "Come Lord." It is the believers' response to Jesus' promise.

Wonderful Mother

God made a wonderful mother,
A mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of the sunshine,
And He moulded her heart of pure gold;
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars,
In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother,
And He gave that dear mother to me.

Pat O'Reilly

**LORD JESUS
RECEIVE
MY SPIRIT.**



Happy Mother's Day!