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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

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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, August 21st – XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord has prepared a banquet for those who love Him. At times we take this for granted and need to listen again to His word, inviting us into the joy of His presence.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Joseph Petrusky**, of. by Mary Eleanor Zukus.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5.11-12; Matthew 23:13-22; **Tue.**, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a.14-17; Matthew 23:23-26; **Wed.**, Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51; **Thu.**, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51; **Fri.**, 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13; **Sat.**, 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 25:14-30

MONDAY, August 22nd – *Weekday*

9:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Eugenia Tyrrell**, of. by Mrs. Sandra Elsavage.

TUESDAY, August 23rd – *Weekday*

6:00PM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Eugenia Tyrrell**, of. by Ms. Dolores Halaburda.

WEDNESDAY, August 24th – **Feast – St. Bartholomew, Apostle**

Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

THURSDAY, August 25th – *Weekday*

Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Krystyna Plichta**.

FRIDAY, August 26th - **Solemnity – Our Lady of Czestochowa**

11:00AM - ? - „Bleenie” Sale. Preparation begins at **7:00AM** in the hall.

Holy Mass

NEXT SUNDAY, August 28th – **XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Youth Sunday**

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Joseph Petrusky, of. by the Parish Committee.

^ Collection – Youth Fund.

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 (Psalms 65:2-5)

V. To You we owe our hymn of praise, o God, in Zion; to You must vows must be fulfilled, You who hear prayers. To You all flesh must come with its burden of wicked deeds.

R. We are overcome by our sins; only You can pardon them. Happy the chosen ones You bring to dwell in Your courts. May we be filled with the good things of Your house, the blessings of Your holy temple!

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: Isaiah 66:18-21

People from all nations and every language will be gathered to give sacrifice to the Lord.

GRADUAL (Psalms 117:1-2)

V. Praise the Lord, all you nations! Give glory, all you peoples!

R. The Lord's love for us is strong; the Lord is faithful forever. Hallelujah!

II Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13

Suffering should not discourage us in our Christian lives, for through it we can grow in maturity, experiencing the fruits of peace and goodness.

ALLELUIA (John 10:9a)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. I am the gate. Whoever enters through Me will be saved.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:22-30

In response to the question of whether only a few will be saved, Jesus warns the people not to be complacent to do their best to enter through the narrow gate.

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 you find peace and goodness in the saving presence of our Lord Jesus Christ.

COMING EVENTS

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Aug. 27 – Deacon Wunderlich's Ordination – Scranton, PA (10:00AM)

Oct. 6-8 – Diocesan Synod in Wallington, NJ

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

Aug. 26 - “Bleenie” sale.

Sep. 4 – 50/50 chances drawing

Sep. 24 - “Chinese” Auction

Oct. 1 - Animals Blessing (1:00PM at the parking)

Nov. 13 - Veteran's Day Celebration

Dec. 11 – Cover dish Christmas Party after 1:00PM Holy Mass.

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 Bogumil Czaja**, his family and parishioners of SS. Peter & Paul Parish in South Mailwaukee, WI [web: stspeterandpaulpncc.org; FB: Sts. Peter and Paul Polish National Catholic Church].



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 25 – Claire Mallick.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Father Raymond Drada - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage. At **Nursing Homes:** **NY** – Cecelia Pyzowski. **Frackville Nursing Home** – John Etcho (302). **H & R Center Tremont:** Dolores Halaburda.



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. 28** – Sp. Joseph Petrusky; **Sep. 4** – Sp. Joseph Petrusky; **Sept. 11** – Sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Sep. 18** – Sp. James Dean; **Sep. 25** – PNU Members. Now - **Only Daily Masses are available.**

50/50 Drawing – will be on Sunday, September 4, 2016 (tickets were already sent). Pamela Klitsch was our last winner - \$410.00. Thank you for your support.



CHINESE AUCTION will be held on **Sunday, September 25, 2016** 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.

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.**

PNCC Future Direction Message - Please remember to save the date of Wednesday – October 5th 2016 at 7 pm (EST) for a presentation by our Prime Bishop in the Solemnity of the Christian Family in our PNCC. The solemnity this year will be celebrated on Sunday – October 9th. Perhaps your parish could put together a community service project to focus and help families in your local community – remember we are asked to do a minimum of 3 service projects this year.

If you know of parishioners or friends who are not a part of our monthly email updates – please have them email us at FutureDirection@pncc.org to become a part of this important effort for our Holy Church.

PARISH INFORMATION. **Daily Masses** as announced. Examples of the Mass intention are: for the Sick, in remembrance of the faithful departed (especially parents, grandparents, relatives...), to ask God's Grace, Birthdays and Anniversaries (...) To make arrangements, please contact Father Robert.

Holy Day Masses are held as announced in the bulletin.

Sacrament of Baptism – Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior the ceremony. Only **practicing Christians** should be chosen as **godparents**.

Sacrament of Matrimony – Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.

Emergencies, Sickness and deaths – please contact to the rectory immediately.

The parish bulletin - is made on **THURSDAYS** and **FRIDAYS**. All requested announcements should be submitted by **FRIDAY 10:00AM**.