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**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"**  
Dwudziesta Druga Niedziela Zwyczajna

**August 28, 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 – Contemporary liturgy in English.**

**Today, August 28<sup>th</sup> – XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Youth Sunday**

The Gospel of the kingdom perfects some human customs and challenges others. Jesus challenges our prejudices about rank and honor, and reminds us that God is no respecter of persons.

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

^ Collection – Youth Fund.

#### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, Jeremiah 1:17-19; **Mark** 6:17-29; **Tue.**, 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16; Luke 4:31-37; **Wed.**, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Luke 4:38-44; **Thu.**, 1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Luke 5:1-11; **Fri.**, 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 5:33-39; **Sat.**, 1 Corinthians 4:6b-15; Luke 6:1-5

**MONDAY, August 29<sup>th</sup> - Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist**

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

**6:00PM** – Meeting to organize a Polish Festival for **October 22/23 (Saturday or Sunday whatever you prefer)**. **Please** attend with ideas and offers to help. It will be the last fundraiser for 2016. - Maybe cleaning of the concession stand afterwards ???

**TUESDAY, August 30<sup>th</sup> – Weekday**

**Requiem Holy Mass** for Sp. **Tadeusz Rezmer**, of. by Mrs. Janina Plichta & family.

**THURSDAY, September 1<sup>st</sup> – Weekday**

**Holy Mass** – intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

**FRIDAY, September 2<sup>nd</sup> – First Friday of the month**

**Holy Mass** to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for the **family**.

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

**SATURDAY, September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Weekday**

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

**NEXT SUNDAY, September 4<sup>th</sup> - XXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

- ⤴ Confession.
- ⤴ Collection for missions.
- ⤴ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ⤴ Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society meeting.

**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 (Zephaniah 2:3a; Psalm 149:40)**

V. Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth, who have observed His law; seek justice, seek humility.

**R. For the Lord takes delight in His people, honors the poor with victory.**

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: Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20.28-29**

*The sage advises humility as a way of treating our neighbor well and pleasing God.*

**Responsorial Psalm: God, in Your goodness, You have made a home for the poor.**

**II Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19.22-24**

*The author presents us with a powerful and beautiful vision of our final end: eternal life with God and all the angels and saints.*

**ALLELUIA (Matthew 11:29ab)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. Take My yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 14:1.7-14**

*Jesus tells a parable and adds teaching to show two things: that there will be a general resurrection and that God invites us all to the wedding banquet of eternal life.*

**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:** Inspired by the gift of hope to pray, let us make our petitions to God our loving Father.
- For the Prime Bishop and all bishops of the Church: may they continue to lead us in integrity and truth. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
  - For all those in civil and political authority: may they be filled with a spirit of service and a concern for the common good. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
  - For ourselves and for all Christians: that we may grow in the supernatural gifts of faith, hope and charity. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
  - For those struggling with illness, addiction or spiritual distress: may they receive the support and comfort that they need. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
  - Lord our God, in Your wisdom and love You surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send Your Spirit upon these Students .....  
and fill them with Your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to You,  
the source of all knowledge. **Lord, hear our prayer.**
  - We pray for all who have died – especially for **Joseph Petrusky** – may they be received with joy into the kingdom of their Lord. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
- △ **Celebrant:** Almighty Father, You inspire us to pray with Your grace; may what we ask for in faith be granted through our Lord Jesus Christ. **R. Amen.**

We have celebrated the wedding feast of the Eucharist; let us bring our renewed strength and joy to the world.

### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **CENTRAL DIOCESE**

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)

Sep. 25 - “Chinese” Auction

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

Nov. 13 - Veteran's Day Celebration

**Dec. 24 – Christmas Vigil Mass – 4:00PM; Christmas Eve Mass – 10:00PM**

**Dec. 25 – Christmas Day Mass – 10:00AM – Sunday :)**

### **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** for your support of the “Bleenie” sale project this year. Thank you very much to all of you for your hard work last Friday and in the past two sales! Special “thanks” to all of you who came for frying

bleenies and to an “invisible” people for helping to run this project! Thank you for all donations also. Everyone’s help is needed with these sales – even if you can only give a half-hour of your time. It takes all of us working together to make these sales a success. Thank you to all of you who really care for our Parish! Thank you so much to the youth and those who are not our members for their great help! Thank you to EVERYONE OF YOU WHO SACRIFICE YOURSELVS to our Congregation.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Raymond Drada**, his family and parishioners of All Saints Parish in Sterling Heights, MI [web: [allsaintspncc.org](http://allsaintspncc.org); FB: All Saints Polish National Catholic Church].



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 28 – Donna Freeman; September 2 – Michael John Stetts.



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 3 – Father Robert and Janina Plichta (17<sup>th</sup>).



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Father Raymond Drada - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Carolyn Boychak – John Etcho - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage. At **Nursing Homes: NY** – Cecelia Pyzowski. ***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:** **Sep. 4** – Sp. Joseph Petrusky; **Sep. 11** – Sp. Dorothy Halaburda; **Sep. 18** – Sp. James Dean; **Sep. 25** – PNU Members. Now - **Only Daily Masses are available.**



**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.



reminded that **CONFESSIONS FOR THE YOUTH** – Our younger members as well as their parents are 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.

 **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.**

**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.