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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

Dwudziesta Piąta Niedziela Zwyczajna

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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, September 18th – XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time

God has entrusted us all with many gifts. Let us make sure we use them well and generously, not deceitfully for our own profit but of the good of all.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **James Dean**, of. by wife, Marjorie.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke 8:16-18; **Tue.**, Proverbs 21:1-6.10-13; Luke 8:19-21; **Wed.**, Ephesians 4:1-7.11-13; **Matthew** 9:9-13; **Thu.**, Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9; **Fri.**, Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22; **Sat.**, Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8; Luke 9:43b-45

MONDAY, September 19th – *Weekday*

7:25AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Maureen Adams**.

TUESDAY, September 20th – *Weekday*

7:25AM - Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Justin Kitsock**, of. by the Elsavage family.

WEDNESDAY, September 21st – **Feast – St. Matthew, Ap./Ev.**

7:25AM - Holy Mass for all **Parishioners**.

THURSDAY, September 22nd – *Weekday*

7:25AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: Sp. **Justin Kitsock**, of. by Connie & Ron Nier.

10:00AM – Preparation of tables for „Chinese” auction.

FRIDAY, September 23rd - *Weekday*

7:25AM - Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Justin Kitsock**, of. by John & Betty Tellup.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 25th – **XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time** – Spojnia Sunday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for PNU Members.

12:00Noon – Doors open for „Chinese” Auction; **2:00PM** – the auction begins. Admission: **\$3.00**.

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 113:1-2)

V. Praise, you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

R. Blessed be the name of the Lord both now and forever.

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: Amos 8:4-7

The Lord does not forget a single thing we do.

GRADUAL (Deuteronomy 25:13-14.16)

V. You shall not keep two differing weights in your bag, one large and the other small; nor shall you keep two different measures in your house, one large and the other small.

R. Everyone who is dishonest in any of these matters is an abomination to the Lord, your God.

II Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

We are to offer prayers for everyone.

ALLELUIA (Sirach 29:11)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Dispose of your treasure as the Most High commands, for that will profit you more than the gold.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

We are asked to use God's gifts wisely.

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 the Lord give you the confidence and wisdom you need to bear witness to Him and follow in His footsteps.

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 – First Holy Communion Catechism Class (10:00AM)

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

Oct. 15 & 22–First Holy Communion Catechism Class (10:00AM)

Oct. 22 – Polish “Happy Meal” Dinner (4-7:00PM)

Nov. 13 - Veteran's Day Celebration

Dec. 11 – Cover Dish Christmas Party

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 **Joe** for his help at the altar last Sunday;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Jason Soltysiak**, his wife and parishioners of St. Mary Parish in Parma, OH [web: stmaryspncc.com; FB: St. Marys in Parma, OH].



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 18 – James Abicunas.

Russell;



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 21 – Michael and Kristine
September 24 – George and Ann Marie Wycheck.



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.

MASS FOR THE SICK – The Holy Mass for our older parishioners and for those who are sick we are going to celebrate on **Sunday, October 30 at 10:00AM**; during this Mass the Sacrament of Holy Anointing will be impart to those who would like to receive it. Please, invite everyone.

UPCOMING SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: **Sep. 25** – PNU Members; **Oct. 2** – Sp. Paul Elsavage; **Oct. 9** – Sp. Joseph Petrusky; **Oct. 16** – Sp. Patricia Abicunas; **Oct. 23** – Sp. James Dean; **Oct. 30** – Sp. Eugenia Tyrrell. 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. *Preparing tables for this event – Thursday, Sep. 22 at 10:00AM.*

We are asking our Parishioners for baked goods for the auction.

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**.

DISHONEST STEWARD

Jesus based his parables on real-life, and possibly historical situations. He often added a small twist in the story: something that did not make sense from a human point of view. In today's Gospel he praises a man who is openly a crook. A manager or steward is about to be fired from his job. Realizing that he has little prospect of being hired again, he conspires to rob from his employer. He uses his authority to reduce debts owed to the master, thinking that the debtors will show him gratitude later.

Jesus and the employer praise this unscrupulous action? Why? Because it portrays the virtue of prudence, planning ahead. Christ implies that Christians often fail to practice foresight in thinking of their future life. We do not take heaven into account, when we plan our daily lives. Do you?