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Thirtieth 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, October 23rd – XX Sunday in Ordinary Time

In this Jubilee of Mercy, we know that if we want to experience the mercy of God, then we have to be merciful ourselves. We cannot set ourselves up in judgment of others.

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

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Ephesians 4:32-5:8; Luke 13:10-17; **Tue.**, Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21; **Wed.**, Ephesians 6:1-9; Luke 13:22-30; **Thu.**, Ephesians 6:10-20; Luke 13:31-35; **Fri.**, Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16; **Sat.**, Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1.7-11

MONDAY, October 24th – Feast – St. Raphael, Archangel

7:25AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

WEDNESDAY, October 26th – *Weekday*

7:25AM - Holy Mass

FRIDAY, October 28th – **Feast – SS. Simon & Jude, Apostles**

7:25AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Abp. Thaddeus Gocłowski**.

NEXT SUNDAY, October 30th – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Eugenia Tyrrell, of. by...

^ Prayers for the Sick with the Sacrament of Holy Anointing.

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 (Sirach 35:12-13)

V. For He is God of justice, Who knows no favorites.

R. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet He hears the cry of the oppressed.

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 35:12-14.16-19

God's judgment of people depends not on their status but on the attitudes of their hearts.

GRADUAL (Sirach 35:1-2)

V. To keep the law is great oblation, and he who observes the commandments sacrifices a peace offering.

R. In works of charity one offers fine flour, and when he gives alms he presents his sacrifice of praise.

II Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8.16-18

St. The Lord is the righteous judge who stands by Paul in the face of all who seek to do him harm.

ALLELUIA (1 Peter 5:6)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. So humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

The Pharisee judges himself to be better than the tax collector, but it is the humble man's prayer that is heard.

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.

You have drunk from the springs of God's mercy and love during this Mass. May God continue to be with you.

COMING EVENTS

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

Nov. 5 & 19 – First Holy Communion Catechism Class (10:00AM)

Nov. 6 – All Souls Prayer Service (after the Mass)

Nov. 13 - Veteran's Day Celebration

Nov. 20 – Frackville Ministerium Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service – 4:00PM at First United Methodist Church

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 the **Sunday greeters**.

DIOCESAN CHURCH DUES – has been increased to \$25.00; therefore beginning January 2017, our church dues will be **\$137.00** per adult member.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Senior Claudio Bocca**, his family and parishioners of St. Stanislao Kostka Parish in Lucca, Italy.

PARISH MEMO – All ideas and work at our cemeteries (in Frackville and in Shenandoah) should be addressed to the Parish Committee during our monthly meetings. The same thing (any propositions, some ideas) should be done in the same matter.

Recently - our shed was painted - Thank you to: **Mr. George Wycheck, Mrs. Ann Marie Wycheck, Mr. James Abicunas** and **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for doing this work!

Thank you to: **Mrs. Betty Brazausky, Mrs. Marjorie Dean, Mrs. Sandra Elsavage, Mrs. Elaine Antalosky, Mrs. Ann Marie Wycheck, Mrs. Judith Touchinsky, Mrs. Janina Plichta, Ms. Elizabeth Greenman, Mr. Lance Nelson** and **Mr. George Wycheck** for their work on Thursday and Friday, (and on Saturday during the sale) preparing the meal for dinner! Thank you for all your donations and deserts! Thank you to our Parishioners who support us buying dinner.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: October 29 – James Panco.



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: **Oct. 30** – Sp. Eugenia Tyrrell; **Nov. 6** – Sp. William & Josephine Zamonas; **Nov. 13** – Sp. James Dean; **Nov. 20** – Sp. Bernard Jr. & Dorothy Halaburda; **Nov. 27** – Sp. Dr. Howard & Lucille Greenman 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.**

PNCC Future Direction Message - 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.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES. With the upcoming holidays of All Saints and All Souls in the not too distant future, we remind our parishioners and friends, to please submit the names of their departed loved ones for remembrance during this holy season. All Soul's Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: PRINT) and return them to Father Robert as soon as possible. (Thank you).

ALL SOULS CEMETERY SERVICE will be held in our church on Sunday, November 6, 2016 after the Mass.

PHARISEES AND TAX COLLECTORS

Jesus strongly condemned religious hypocrisy. He illustrates this with a story that has lost much of its impact over the centuries. Partially because of the Gospels the name "Pharisee" has taken on a negative aspect. Actually, the Pharisees were the "good guys". They were a political group organized to defend the rights of migrant farm workers. Modern Judaism can be traced to the better ideals of the Pharisee movement. In the first century tax collectors were not merely civil servants, they were mercenaries who actually bid for the right to extort from their fellow Jews. Jesus turned the tables by showing that the supposed "sinner" had more humility than the self-proclaimed "holy man."

The PNU Can Help Ease Your Fears

Halloween – that spooky, scary time of year. But there's no need for you to be scared of the future if you let the PNU help you provide for those you care about. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the things the PNU can offer to help you and your family grow financially. Being smart about your finances and preparing for the future helps to ease any fears. Don't be scared, be smart! Contact your PNU Branch Secretary or call the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352 for more information.

