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Thirty 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 – Contemporary liturgy in English.

Today, October 30th – XXXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

God is merciful and wishes all people to be saved. In facing and in dealing with the evils of this world we are called to practice both justice and mercy.

10:00AM – Contemporary Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Eugenia Tyrrell**, of. by Mr. James Abicunas & Ms. Elizabeth Greenman.

- ^ Prayers for the Sick with the Sacrament of Holy Anointing.
- ^ October – Clergy Appreciation Month.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., **Philippians 2:1-4; Luke 14:12-14; Tue.**, **Revelation 7:2-4.9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a; Wed.**, **Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; Matthew 25:31-46; Thu.**, **Philippians 3:3-8a; Luke 15:1-10; Fri.**, **Philippians**

3:17-4:1; Luke 16:1-8; **Sat.**, Philippians 4:10-19; Luke 16:9-15

TUESDAY, November 1st – Solemnity of All Saints (*holy day of obligation*)

9:00AM - Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee.

WEDNESDAY, November 2nd – All Souls Day

9:00AM - Holy Mass – intention: for all Deceased.

THURSDAY, November 3rd – *Weekday*

7:25AM - Holy Mass – intention: for Bishop, Priests and Deacons of the Central Diocese.

FRIDAY, November 4th – First Friday of the month

7:25AM – Holy Mass to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

5 – 6:00PM – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

SATURDAY, November 5th – *Weekday*

10:00-11:00AM – First Holy Communion Catechism Class.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 6th - XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daylight Saving Time Ends

10:00AM – Holy Mass with reading of the Memorial List, intention: for Sp. William and Josephine Zamonas of. by Mrs. Theresa Petrusky.

- ⋈ Confession.
- ⋈ Collection for missions.
- ⋈ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ⋈ All Souls Prayers Service.

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 103:13-14,11)

V. As a Father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on the faithful. For He knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust.

R. As the heavens tower over the earth, so God's love towers over the faithful.

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: Wisdom 11:22-12:2

The writer of ancient wisdom understands that God's power is matched by God's infinite mercy and kindness.

Responsorial Psalm: I will praise Your name for ever, my King and my God.

II Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

A prayer that God's power will fulfil our desire for holiness of life.

ALLELUIA (John 3:16)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might have eternal life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 19:1-10

Jesus enters Jericho and surprises everyone.

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:** Let us turn to the Lord who is full of compassion and pray for His mercy upon us.
- For the Prime Bishop and Bishops of the Church: that they may show the way to all God's people in deeds of justice and mercy. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
 - For the young and the old in our community: that their simplicity and their wisdom may be valued and celebrated by all. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
 - For all in public life: that they may give an example of service in all that they do. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
 - For those in prison and serving long sentences: that they may be helped to live their days wisely and to make amends for their wrongdoing. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**
 - We ask You to touch and heal the life of people who are with various burden of sickness and disease all around the world; For it is written, "You sent Your word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions". **R. 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:** Lord, hear our prayers this day and, as You changed the heart of Zacchaeus from greed to love, so help us to live our lives in generosity of spirit, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May God the Father of mercy give you peace and increase His grace within you.

COMING EVENTS

FRACKVILLE – Each **First Friday** on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5 – 6:00PM).

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 **Joe** for his help at the altar last Sundays;
- 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 Gastone Bernacchi**, his family and parishioners of All Saints Parish in Pisa, 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.

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.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 1 – Carl Guzik, Frederick Boychak.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: November 4 – John and Joanne Plaxa.





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 – Carl Guzik. 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: **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.**

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