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RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego April 16, 2017

Lord, I am not worthy to ask You, but only say a word and Your Church will grow in number of holy, respectful and dedicated people.

9:00 AM – Easter Procession and Holy Mass – intention: for All Parishioners.



<u>Order of Procession:</u> Processional Cross, Paschal Candle, Resurrection Statue, Resurrection Cross, Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society with candles, Altar Servers (if any), Celebrant with Monstrance, Choir, Parishioners.

Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. We gather on this day of resurrection to praise God for the life, hope and joy that this day gives us.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., Acts 2:14.22-23; Matthew 28:8-15; Tue., Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18; Wed., Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35; Thu., Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48; Fri., Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14; Sat., Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15

MONDAY, April 17th – Easter Monday 9:00AM – Holy Mass

TUESDAY, April 18th - Easter Tuesday

Holy Mass

WEDNESDAY, April 19th – Easter Wednesday

Holy Mass, intention for: Sp. Pawel and Antonina Jaskowiak, of. by Mrs. Janina Plichta.

FRIDAY, April 21st – Easter Friday

Holy Mass

SATURDAY, April 22nd – Easter Saturday

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

Next Sunday, April 23rd – Second Sunday of Easter

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

ANS meeting after the Mass.

Today's liturgy

Priest: Chwała Tobie Trójco -

HOLY MASS

ENTRANCE

(Psalm 139:18,5b-6a; 118:1-2)

V. I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom. Alleluia.

R.O Lord, You have probed me and You know me; You know when I sit and when I stand. Alleluia.

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: Acts 10:34.37-43

St. Peter preaches the good news: God has raised Jesus to life.

THE GRADUAL

(Psalms 118:22-23.24,1-2.16-17 - R.118:24)

V. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. "The right hand of the Lord has struck with power; the right hand of the Lord is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord." Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

V. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes. Alleluia.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Alleluia.

II Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

We have been brought to true life with Christ. Our life is now hidden in Him.

THE ALLELUIA

(1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- V. For our paschal Lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Mary Magdalene discovers the empty tomb. The beloved disciple sees and believes.

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.

OFFERTORY VERSE

(Psalm 76:9b-10a)

V. The earth feared and was silent when God arose in judgment. Alleluia.

COMMUNION VERSE

(Romans 6:9)

V. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more, dies no more; death no longer has power over Him. Alleluia.

May the Lord fill your hearts with joy and peace on this Easter Day.

Coming events

GENERAL CHURCH

May 5-7 – Mission & Evangelism Workshop – Woodland Park, NJ

July 1-8 – Youth CURS in Waymart, PA

CENTRAL DIOCESE

Apr. 29 – Diocesan Council meeting – Scranton, PA

Aug. 22-24 – Clergy Retreat & Conference – Mt. Pocono, PA

PLYMOUTH SENIORATE

May 13 – Seniorate Council meeting – 1:00PM – McAdoo, PA

June 15 – Corpus Christi Service – 7:00PM in Middleport, PA

<u>FRACKVILLE</u> – Each First Friday on the month – Private Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (5:00PM – 6:00PM)

May 10 – Bleenie Sale meeting at 6:30PM (church hall).

May 14 – Mother's Day Celebration.

May 21 – First Holy Communion Day Celebration.

June 11 – Mother's & Father's Day Brunch.

June 16 – Bleenie Sale.

June 18 – Father's Day Celebration.

July 23 – Automobiles blessing.

Sept. 24 - "Chinese" Auction.

Oct. 7 – Animals blessing.

Oct. 14 – Polish Dinner.

Dec. 10 – Christmas Party.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special Thanks go out to:

- to Mrs. Janina Plichta preparing the altars, and the church for services;
- to Mrs. Cindy Eickhoff for musical preparations, and to parishioners who helped to sing;
- to Mr. James Abicunas for being a lector;
- to **Joe** and for his help at the altar last Sunday;
- to the **Sunday greeters**, the people working on fundraisers.

<u>THANK YOU</u> very much to members of the Blessed Sacrament Society for purchasing flowers for Easter and to **Mrs. Janina Plichta,** and to **Victoria** and **Veronica** for decorating the church for the Holy Week and Resurrection of the Lord celebration!

THANK YOU very much to our Parishioners for sending Easter wishes and all gifts to the Rectory! May God Bless You All!

Many THANKS to Veronica for her help on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, and Dylan (Good Friday).

LAST WEEK STATISTIC – Palm Sunday – 47; Holy Thursday – 9; Good Friday – 12; Holy Saturday – 10.

<u>PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY</u> - ..if you or a relative are admitted to a hospital and nursing home;...if your phone number or address change;...if you have a prayer concern.

GENERAL CHURCH DUES – beginning January 2017, our church dues is \$137.00 per adult member.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik – Marcia Hessert – Frank Savitsky – Jean Keim. At Nursing Homes: NY – Cecelia Pyzowski. H & R Center Tremont: Dolores Halaburda.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for **Father Senior Jerzy Urbański**, his family, and parishioners of St. Joseph Parish in Brandon, MB, Canada.

<u>CONFESSIONS FOR THE YOUTH</u> – 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 should come to **private** Confession. <u>If children</u> (until Confirmation) would like to receive the Holy Communion in a worthy manner they must come for private confession at least once a month. If other times are necessary please contact Fr. Robert.



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.

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.

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.

P.N.C.C. Future Direction - Action Plan for P.N.C.C. Parishes in 2017: Year of Commitment April – Our Commitment as Easter People

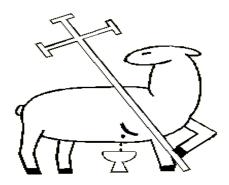
THEY HAVE TAKEN JESUS OUT OF THE TOMB

Grave robbery has been a practice since ancient times. Sometimes the robbers were only interested in looting items buried with the dead. Later they might steal bodies for medical research. In the time of Jesus, Romans believed that the nails used to crucify a man could be "lucky" keepsakes.

Mary of Magdala may have thought that thieves had taken the body of Christ. She pleads with Peter and John to inspect the sepulchre and search for the body. Later she returns and meets the risen Jesus. She will know that his body was not taken. It was transformed and glorified.



<u>WELCOME OUR VISITORS</u> – We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. You are always welcome to join us in worship!



Happy Resurrection Day to all of you and your families!