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Polish National Catholic Church

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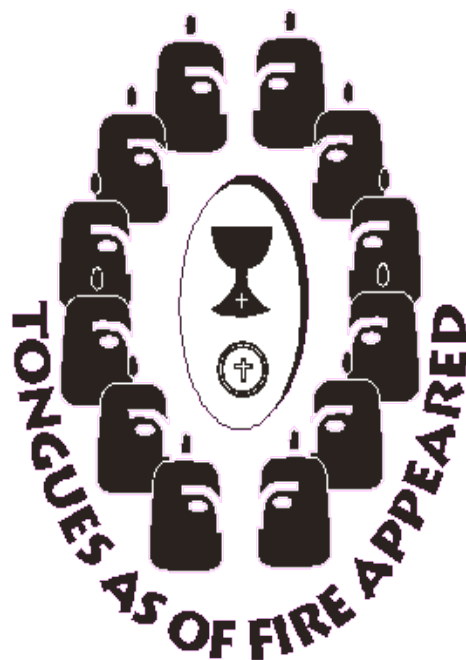
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Solemnity of Pentecost - "A"

Uroczystość Zesłania Ducha Świętego

June 4, 2017

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, June 4th – Pentecost Sunday – Father Robert's 29th Anniversary of Ordination.

This is the day when the Church was born, brought into life by the gift of the Holy Spirit. May our lives, each one of us and together, be renewed this day.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **John Etcho**.

- ⤴ Confession.
- ⤴ Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- ⤴ Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- ⤴ Collection for missions.

WEEKDAY READINGS:

Mon., 2 Peter 1:2-7; Mark 12:1-12; **Tue.**, 2 Peter 3:12-15a.17-18; Mark 12:13-17; **Wed.**, 2 Timothy 1:1-3.6-12; Mark 12:18-27; **Thu.**, 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34; **Fri.**, 2 Timothy 3:10-17; Mark 12:35-37; **Sat.**, 2

Timothy 4:1-8; Mark 12:38-44

MONDAY, June 5th – *Pentecost Monday*

Thanksgiving Holy Mass for Father Robert's 29th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood.

WEDNESDAY, June 7th – *Pentecost Wednesday*

Holy Mass for Health with the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

FRIDAY, June 9th – *Pentecost Friday*

Holy Mass with the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

NEXT SUNDAY, June 11th – *Solemnity of the Holy Trinity*

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Paul Elsavage, of. by the Elsavage Family.

- ⤴ Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- ⤴ Mother's/Father's Day Brunch in the hall.

Today's liturgy

ASPERGES – I saw the water - proceeding from the temple, from the right side. Alleluia, alleluia. All sinners saved by healing water shall proclaim, as they are set free: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. To the Lord sing praises for He is gracious. His mercy shall endure throughout all the ages. Glory be to the Father, and Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, now and forever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen, amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Wisdom 1:7-8)

V. For the Spirit of the Lord fills the world, is all-embracing, and knows what man says. Alleluia!

R. Therefore no one who utters wicked things can go unnoticed, nor will chastising condemnation pass him by. 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 2:1-11

People of every nation receive understanding in the Spirit.

GRADUAL (Zephaniah 3:8a-9)

V. Therefore, wait for me, says the Lord. For then I will change and purify the lips of the peoples. Alleluia!

R. That they all may call upon the Name of the Lord, to serve Him with one accord. Alleluia!

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

The gifts of the Spirit are many and we are one.

ALLELUIA (Joel 3:1)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. I will pour out My Spirit upon all humankind. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

Peace, mission and reconciliation are the gifts of the Spirit.

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.

May the Holy Spirit, with His sevenfold gifts of grace, descend upon you.

COMING EVENTS

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

June 11 – Mother's & Father's Day Brunch.
 June 15 – Corpus Christi Service in Middleport, PA (7:00PM).
 June 18 – Father's Day Celebration.
 July 4 – 50/50 Chances Drawing.
 Sep. 4 – 50/50 Chances Drawing.
 Sep. 24 - „Chinese” Auction.
 Oct. 14 – Polish Dinner. **Holy Mass in Polish** at 3:30PM; Dinner will be serve from 4:30 – 7:30PM.
 Dec. 10 – Covered Dish Christmas Party.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **Thanks** go out to:

- to **Mrs. Janina Plichta** for preparing the altars, and the church for services.
- to **Mrs. Cindy Eickhoff** and to the Parishioners for help to sing;
- to **Mr. James Abicunas** for being a lector;
- to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to **Veronica** for her help at the altar last Sunday;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

THANK YOU very much to **Mrs. Judith Touchinsky** for donating altar clothes, little towels and mulch to the parish!

HONOR A FATHER ON FATHER'S DAY – Acknowledge or remember our FATHERS, LAY OR CLERGY, for their dedication to us and at the same time provide some much needed support to the PNCC Clergy Pension Fund. Please, send a minimum donation of \$25.00 to the Clergy Pension Fund Committee, c/o Western Diocese Chancery, 920 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridge, IL 60068, and include your name and the name of the FATHER you wish to honor. Donations received by June 12th will be included in a listing to be published in an upcoming issue of God's Field. All donations received benefit the Clergy Pension Fund of the PNCC.

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS – Boscov's Tuesday, October 17, 2017, 25% off Shopping pass. Cost of pass is only \$5.00 and all money collected stays in the church. Please, see Mrs. Marjorie Dean to get your passes. Thank you!

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for **Father Walter Placek**, his family and parishioners of Providence of God Lithuanian Parish in Scranton, PA [web: providenceofgod.tripod.com].



CORPUS CHRISTI SERVICE – Our annual Plymouth Seniorate Corpus Christi Service will be celebrated **Thursday June 15 at 7:00pm** hosted by **St. Joseph PNCC**, 1 St. Claire Street, **Middleport, PA**. All members of our Seniorate are cordially invited and encouraged to attend and participate in this traditional service of Procession, Prayer and Word honoring the Body of Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Following the Service there will be a reception with refreshments in the parish hall.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: June 4 – Michael and Sarah Tokarczyk; June 8 – George and Maryann Tokarczyk.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Father Janusz Lucarz - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Flossy Bulcavage – Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik – Marcia Hessert – Frank Savitsky – Jean Keim – Victoria Plichta. 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.

Our Chinese Auction will be held on **September 24, 2017** 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.

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.



HE BREATHED ON THEM

When Jesus appeared to the apostles on Easter Sunday, he breathed the Holy Spirit upon them. In Hebrew the word for "breath" and "spirit" are the same, so there is an obvious connection. We might form an image of Jesus breathing on the group of them from a distance, but there is a more revealing analogy.

CPR or Cardiopulmonary resuscitation is a process by which an unconscious person may be helped to breathe. Part of CPR involves mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. The person administering it clamps the victim's nostrils, making an airtight seal over his mouth and breathes into it about twelve times per minute. It has been called "the Kiss of Life". Jesus breathed a kiss of life into the souls of his followers. We still receive that kiss from God, the Holy Spirit.

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