# St. John the Baptist Parish

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

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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, June 25**th – XII Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do not be afraid," says Jesus. The Eucharist is our assurance that since God has given us everything, there is nothing we need fear.

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

#### **WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon**., Genesis 12:1-9; Matthew 7:1-5; **Tue**., Genesis 13:2.5-18; Matthew 7:6.12-14; **Wed**., Genesis 15:1-12.17-18; Matthew 7:15-20; **Thu**., Genesis 16:1-12.15-16 or Genesis 16:6b-12.15-16; Matthew 7:21-29; **Fri**., Genesis 17:1.9-10.15-22; Matthew 8:1-4; **Sat**., Genesis 18:1-15; Matthew 8:5-17

Father Robert is taking a little summer break from June 25 – July 3. In the case of <u>sacramental emergency</u> our Parishioners may contact Father Richard Wosiak of Middleport, PA at 570-277-6180. He will also celebrate the Holy Mass in our church on July 2 at 10:30AM.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>, July 2<sup>nd</sup> – XIII Sunday in Ordinary Time **10:30AM** – **Holy Mass** for all Parishioners.

#### Today's liturgy

<u>ASPERGES</u> – 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** (2 Timothy 2:11-13)

- V. This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with Him we shall also live with Him; if we persevere we shall also reign with Him.
- R. But if we deny Him He will deny us. If we are unfaithful He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.
- 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: Jeremiah 20:10-13

Surrounded by malice and threat, Jeremiah still retains confidence in God's promise.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, in Your great love, answer me.

## **II Reading: Romans 5:12-15**

Humans brought sin into the world, but divine grace comes to us through Jesus Christ.

#### **ALLELUIA** (John 15:26-27)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord; and you also will testify.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 10:26-33

There is no need to be afraid; we are totally and for ever in God's care.

#### **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:** With God on our side, who can be against us? With this confidence let us bring our needs before our heavenly Father.

- For the Church: that we may not merely profess Christ with our words but rather live as disciples of Christ who live out that faith each day in our actions. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For all people who are caught up in war, or who experience persecution because of who they are or what they believe: may the word of the Gospel inspire them to trust in God. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For courage in our own community: may we never be afraid to extend a hand to any brother or sister in need, and may we always remain faithful to the word of God that is in our hearts. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For those who are sick and for those who worry about them: may they experience the healing power of Christ in their lives. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.
- For the **President** of the **U.S.** and for the entire **Government**: may they succeed in their mission to lead our nation wisely. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

- For all deceased members of our families, especially **James Dean**, and whose good deeds go with them: may they experience the fullness of life in Christ. *R. Lord*, *hear our prayer*.

**Celebrant:** Eternal God and loving Father, nothing is hidden from You, and no one escapes Your attention and love. Hear the prayers we offer to You for our brothers and sisters in need. We ask You to grant them through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen**.

May God the Father keeps you in His gaze. May God the Son remain with you at all times. May the Holy Spirit of God keep you free from sin.

### **COMING EVENTS**

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

July 4 - 50/50 Chances Drawing.

July 23 – Automobiles blessing after the Mass.

Sep. 4 - 50/50 Chances Drawing.

Sep. 24 - "Chinese" Auction.

Oct. 7 – Animals blessing (2:00PM at the parking).

Oct. 14 – Polish Dinner. Holy Mass in Polish at 3:30PM; Dinner will be served from 4:30 – 7:30PM.

Nov. 4 – Free Community luncheon sponsored by Mrs. Sandra Elsavage in the hall.

Dec. 10 – Covered Dish Christmas Party.

#### **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 Parishioners for help to sing;
- to Mr. James Abicunas for being a lector;
- to **Veronica** for her help at the altar last Sunday;
- to Mr. Julian Bednarek for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to the Sunday greeters.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER</u>: for Father Lucian Urbaniak, his wife, and parishioners of Good Shepherd Parish in Plymouth, PA [web: goodshepherdpncc.tripod.com, FB: Good Shepherd Polish National Catholic Church], and Resurrection of the Lord Parish in Edwardsville, PA.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: June 25 – Joseph Karvois; July 1 – George Wycheck.

<u>PLEASE</u> 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 <u>Nursing Homes</u>: 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.

<u>WELCOME OUR VISITORS</u> – 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.

<u>DEATH NOTICE</u> – **Bishop Thomas J. Gnat**, the former Diocesan Bishop of the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC passed away on June 21. His funeral will take place in St. Stanislaus Cathedral in Scranton, PA on Tuesday, June 27 at 10:00AM. *Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, o Lord*...

<u>PARISH INFORMATION.</u> 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.

<u>PNCC Future Direction Message</u> - 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