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Polish National Catholic Church**

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**Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"**

Dwudziesta Dziewiąta Niedziela zwykła

**October 22, 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, October 22<sup>nd</sup>** - XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are made in the image and likeness of God. The Lord has chosen us to share the good news of His kingdom through what we say and what we do.

**10:00AM – Holy Mass**, intention: for Sp. **Mary Irene David**, of. by Ms. Barbara David.

✠ The Sacrament of Holy Anointing will be impart to those who need it after the Holy Communion.

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

**Mon.**, Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21; **Tue.**, Romans 5:12.15b.17-19.20b-21; Luke 12:35-38; **Wed.**, Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48; **Thu.**, Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53; **Fri.**, Romans 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59; **Sat.**, Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16

**TUESDAY, October 24<sup>th</sup>** – Feast – Raphael, Archangel

**Holy Mass**, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

**1:00PM** – Seniorate Pastors meeting in Wilkes-Barre, PA.

**FRIDAY, October 27<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*

**10-11:00AM** – Viewing in the church – Sp. **Christina Pukas**

**11:00AM** – **Funeral Mass**

**SATURDAY, October 28<sup>th</sup>** – **Feast – SS. Simon and Jude, Apostles**

**Holy Mass**, intention: for **Abp Tadeusz Gocłowski**.

**NEXT SUNDAY, October 29<sup>th</sup>** – **XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**10:00AM** – **Holy Mass**, intention: for Sp. Patricia Abicunas, of. by Mr. James Abicunas.

^ All Souls Service inside the church after the Mass.

### **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** (Jeremiah 17:14; Psalm 103:2-3)

V. Heal me, Lord, that I may be healed; save me, that I may be saved, for it is You whom I praise.

**R. Bless the Lord, my soul; do not forget all the gifts of God, who pardons all your sins, heals all your ills.**

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: Isaiah 45:1-6**

*The Lord chooses Cyrus, a pagan, to do his work.*

**GRADUAL** (Sirach 30:14-16)

V. Better a poor man strong and robust, than a rich man with wasted frame. More precious than gold is health and well-being, contentment of spirit than coral.

**R. No treasure greater than a healthy body; no happiness, than a joyful heart!**

**II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5**

*St. Paul begins his letter with thanks to God for the community he is writing to.*

**ALLELUIA** (Malachi 3:20)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

V. But for you who fear My name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-21**

*The Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a trick question.*

### **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 love of God touch your hearts and minds with great wisdom, compassion and joy.**

### **COMING EVENTS**

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

Oct. 29 – All Souls Prayer Service after the Mass in the church.

Dec. 10 – Covered Dish Christmas Party.

Dec. 17 – Advent Penitential Service begins before the Mass.

Dec. 24 – Sunday Mass – 10:00AM; Christmas Vigil Mass – 4:00PM; Christmas Mass (Pasterka) – 10:00PM.  
Dec. 25 – Christmas Day Mass – 11:00AM.

## 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 who are singing;
- to **Mr. James Abicunas** for being a lector;
- to **Mr. Julian Bednarek** for his help with candles and taking collection;
- to the **Sunday greeters**.

**PARISH NEWS** – New gate opener for the garage was purchased and installed. New floor for rectory's kitchen was put on past Wednesday. Thank you to the Ladies from ANS for it! The oven and electric lines were checked in the hall.

**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 SERVICE will be held in the church on Sunday, October 29, 2017 after the Holy Mass.**

**THIS WEEK PRAYER:** for **Father Mark Gnidzinski**, his wife and parishioners of Blessed Virgin Mary of Czestochowa Parish in Latham, NY [web: bvmc.org; FB: BVMC Parish].



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

**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.

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**2017 EDUCATION AND YOUTH COMMISSION RAFFLE** – As fall is quickly approaching and we are all getting ready for the start of a new school year, the Education & Youth Commission of the Polish National Union of America is hosting a raffle to benefit our College Stipend Program, which is awarded to those college students based on the rules and regulations of this commission.

**The raffle will be held on December 14, 2017 @ the PNU Home Office, 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, Pa. Donations for these tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 tickets for \$10.00.**

**First Prize – \$400 cash**

**Second Prize – Beats Pill + Bluetooth Speaker**

**Third Prize- Apple TV.**

*(raffle tickets can be obtained in your parish hall or the PNU Home Office)*

We greatly appreciate your support and generosity as we try to encourage our youth to become the future leaders within our parish community and the Polish National Union of America. Monetary donations are also graciously accepted towards the funding for this stipend program, and can be mailed directly to the following address: **Education and Youth Commission, c/o PNU of America, 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, Pa 18505 (checks made payable to Education and Youth Commission).** *Thank you, if you have any questions in regards to this program or raffle, please contact Mary Ann Stankowski @ 570-341-0986, or Carol Mikovsky @ 570-344-0916, ,or email EYC@pnu.org.*

**DEATH NOTICE** – Mrs. Christina Pukas (97) passed away on Sunday, October 15. *Eternal Rest Grant unto Her, o Lord...*

**For peace among nations:**

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Prayer for Healing**

O Lord, the healer of our diseases, who knows that the sick have need of a physician; bless all whom You have called to be sharers in Your own work of healing with health alike of body and soul, that they may learn their art in dependence upon You, and exercise it always under Your sanction, and Your honor and glory, who live and reign with the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.