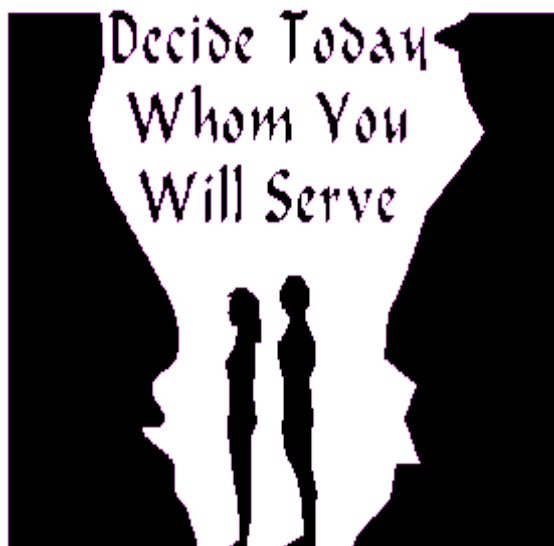


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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - "B"
Dwudziesta Pierwsza Niedziela Zwykła

August 26, 2018

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, August 26th – XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time – Youth Sunday

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

- Blessing of Children before the school starts.
- Collection for Youth Fund.

MONDAY, August 27th - Solemnity – Our Lady of Częstochowa

9:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

WEDNESDAY, August 29th - Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist

9:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Krystyna Plichta**.

NEXT SUNDAY, September 2nd – XXII Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Howard and Lucille Greenman, of. by Elizabeth Greenman.

- Confession.
- Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- Collection for missions.

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 (Psalm 100:1-2.4a)

V. Sing joyfully to the Lord all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful song!

R. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, His courts with praise; give thanks to Him! Bless His Name!

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: Joshua 24:1-2.15-18

At Shehem, in central Israel, the assembled people formally renew the covenant and profess total loyalty to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: **Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

II Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32

St. Paul urges that the relationships within marriage should reflect the love that Christ has for His Church.

ALLELUIA (John 6:63,68)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:60-69

Some disciples reject Jesus' teaching, but Peter, spokesman for the Twelve, boldly declares: "Lord, who [apart from You] shall we go to?"

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.

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GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Following the example of St. Peter, we believe; and so we trust that God will hear our prayers.

- We pray for the Prime Bishop and all bishops: that we may be strengthened by the example of their faith. **R.**

Lord, hear our prayer.

- We pray for those who find it hard to believe: that they may continue to trust in the Lord and in His Church. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- We pray for young people: that they may have courage and wisdom to make the right choices in life. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- We pray for those who are poor, those who are sick and those who are dying: that they may experience the Lord's comfort and help. **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 for **James Dean** – and whose good deeds go with them: may they experience the fullness of life in Christ. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For all of our needs ...**(PLEASE, NAME THEM NOW...)** **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: God our Father, we place all our trust in You; give us courage to choose You in all things, and so choose life, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **Thanks** go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

Hall for Rent is available...**\$100.00 for 2 hours**/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and **\$50.00** returnable deposit.

- **Oct. 1-3** - 25th General Synod in Belleville, IL.
- **Nov. 3** – Free Community luncheon.

ATTENTION to our PARISHIONERS...and FRIENDS...

Our Parish Family is going to need Your help with following events:

Friday, September 7 - "Bleenie" Sale

Saturday, September 8 - Community yard sale... (details later)

Sunday, September 16 - Covered Dish Lunch celebrating 95th Anniversary of the Parish...

Friday, October 5 - "Bleenie" Sale

Sunday, October 21 - Polish Happy Meal Dinner served after **12:00 Noon** Holy Mass - WITH MUSIC

November 3 – Free Community luncheon

Sometime in November we plan to have Spaghetti Dinner.

Please, take seriously these information.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Father Senior Gregory Mludzik - Gloria Dymkowski – Father Janusz Lucarz - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - Helen Menzyk - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik – Frank Savitsky – Jean Keim – Joseph Ross. At **Nursing Home: H & R Center Tremont**. Dolores Halaburda.



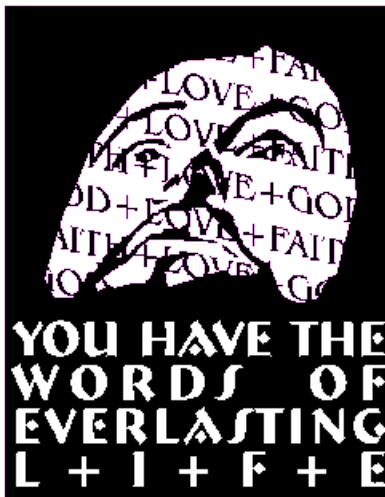
HOSPITAL VISIT. If you, or a member of your family, are hospitalized or enter a long-term nursing facility, please personally or through a closest family member contact Fr. Robert. I will visit a sick member upon his or his family notification.



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.

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.



PNCC 2018 Future Direction Plan Committee

Complete at least five community service projects: One service project could be in conjunction with the Solemnity of Humble Shepherds and the other, selected by the local parish. It is important that the five projects be done in the local community of the parish so that these efforts will create a greater presence of the parish in the community.

Various options include but are not limited to: A project to aid an assisted living facility, or other care facility i.e. nursing home, group home; volunteering for a special needs event; having a Mass or event for your local widow's group; aiding a family crisis center, Food Drives, serving a free meal for the community, providing a community breakfast/meal for First Responders – for Veterans; prayer blanket ministry, clothing drive for the community, sponsoring a local family in need, and/or responding to a particular need in the local community, etc.

Do You Also Want To Leave?

When we hear Jesus' invitation to "eat his flesh" we immediately think of holy communion. His contemporaries didn't have this luxury. The idea only meant one thing to many of them: Cannibalism. The reaction was swift. People abandoned Jesus in droves. No one bothered to ask for an explanation. The apostles couldn't comprehend, but stayed. What would you have done?

REMINDER – “Parents are the first teachers and the first missionaries to their children; they should make sure that they pass on their Polish National Catholic faith to their children. Therefore they should start young, they should attend Mass and other services **TOGETHER** as a **FAMILY**, they should make Sunday very special. They should vary mealtime prayers, encourage morning and evening prayers. The parents are to make better use of sacramentals such as holy water, blessed candles and palms. We realize that actions speak louder than words, therefore the children learn especially by example.” *(from “Feasts, Solemnities and observances of the PNCC*

Customs and Traditions” Scranton, PA 2003)

September – Sharing our gifts and talents in the home and in the parish.