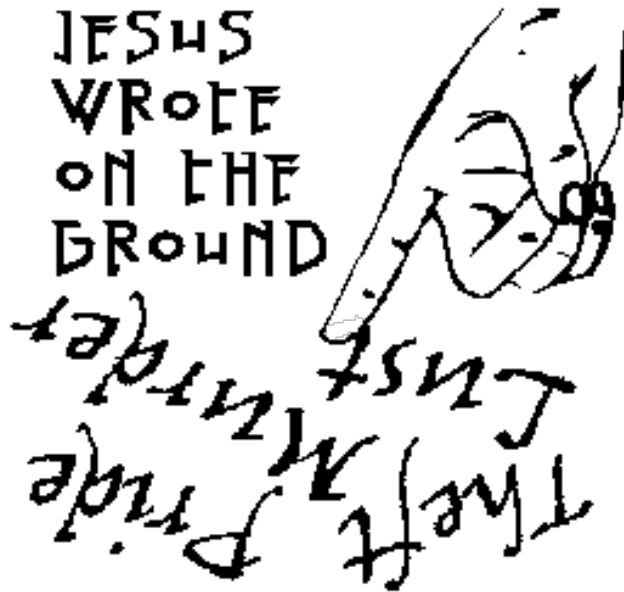


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Fifth (Passion) Sunday of Lent - "C"
Piąta Niedziela Wielkiego Postu (Pasyjna)

April 7, 2019

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, April 7th – V (Passion) Sunday of Lent

Lenten Penitential Service and Sacrament of Penance

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Robert & William Zamonas**, of. by Mrs. Theresa Petrusky.

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

TUESDAY, April 9th – *Lenten Weekday*

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

WEDNESDAY, April 10th – *Lenten Weekday*

7:00PM – Lenten Ecumenical Service hosting in First United Methodist Church.

FRIDAY, April 12th - *Lenten Weekday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus.

6:00PM – The Way of the Cross.

SATURDAY, April 13th – *Lenten Weekday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM on Saturday

NEXT SUNDAY, April 14th – Palm Sunday - 6th Week of Lent – *Blessing & distribution of palms*)

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Josephine Studlick, of. by Mr. Daryl Davis.

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 (2 Corinthians 5:17-18)

V. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

R. And all this is from God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

I Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

GRADUAL (Lamentations 3:22a-24)

V. The favors of the Lord are not exhausted, His mercies are not spent; they are renewed each morning, so great is His faithfulness.

R. My portion is the Lord, says my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.

II Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

TRACT (Psalms 103:8,13-14)

V. Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness

R. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on the faithful. For he knows we are formed; remembers that we are dust.

GOSPEL: John 8:1-11

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Thank you very much to everyone for help making “babka” this week, for your time, donation and work. May God Bless You All!

- **Hall for Rent** is available...**\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00** each additional hour, and **\$50.00** returnable deposit.
- **May 18** – Seniorate Council meeting in Hazleton, PA at 11:00AM.

- **June 9** – Mother’s/Father’s Day brunch.
- **June 20 at 7:00PM** – Seniorate Corpus Christi Service in our church.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: April 8 – Marjorie Dean.



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 – Betty Brazausky - Joseph Ross - Thomas Justen – Edward Jurewicz. ***H & R Center Tremont:*** Dolores Halaburda (309); ***Luther Ridge – Pottsville, PA*** – Marie Demnitski (223).



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**.

Scripture verse of the week: “Submit to God; resist the devil and he will take fight. Draw close to God, and He will draw close to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, you backsliders. Be humbled in the sight of the Lord and He will raise you on high”. (James 4:7-8.10).

In Order of the Resurrection Day Procession the church needs the help of parishioners to carry: Processional Cross.... Paschal Candle... Resurrection Statue..., Resurrection Cross..., Members of the Blessed Sacrament Society with candles..., Parishioners... If anyone is interested to be a part of this liturgy, please contact the pastor ASAP. **Following items** is needed to be carry at the procession: *Processional Cross... Paschal Candle (position already taken), Resurrection Statue...Resurrection Cross (position already taken).*



Ministerium Lenten Ecumenical Services Schedule (All services are at 7 pm.)

April 10 – First United Methodist Church, 25 S. Balliet St.

FUTURE SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS: - April 28 – Sp. James Dean; May 5 – Sp. James Dean; May 12 – All mothers; May 19 – Sp. Stanley & Loretta Kovalewski; May 26 – Sp. Lauren Feudale. Father Robert will be not available on following Sundays: **June 30, July 7 and 14.**

SOMETHING NEW

God's miracle of helping their ancestors cross the Red Sea made a lasting impression on the people of Israel. It was annually reinforced by the celebration of Passover. They recalled it even during their exile in Babylon. Isaiah teaches them that now they will have an even greater event to recall--something new. God will deliver them from their new bondage and restore them to their former nation.

The Church sees something more. God reveals to his people a totally new experience--the passionate love demonstrated in the Crucifixion and Resurrection. We marvel at the fact that the Creator of the entire universe personally comes to rescue those who are but specks of dust compared to God!



JESUS WROTE ON THE GROUND

The law of the Old Testament decreed that adultery was a crime punishable by death. It applied only to the woman involved. Her husband had the right to denounce her and plea for her execution. Normally this was done by stoning: rocks thrown at the victim until she was battered to death. The aggrieved husband had the right and duty of throwing the first rock.

A crowd of religious leaders bring a prostitute to Jesus. They are trying to trap him. He must either approve of the death sentence or continue his avowed policy of mercy.

Faced with this dilemma, Jesus simply crouches down and scribbles on the ground. When the leaders persist, Jesus begins writing on the ground. There is a change of verbs in Greek, which implies that Jesus is printing law in the second instance. We can have little doubt that the accusers see themselves described. Finally, our Lord arises and suggests that the innocent party begin the execution. There is none except Christ, and he will not.