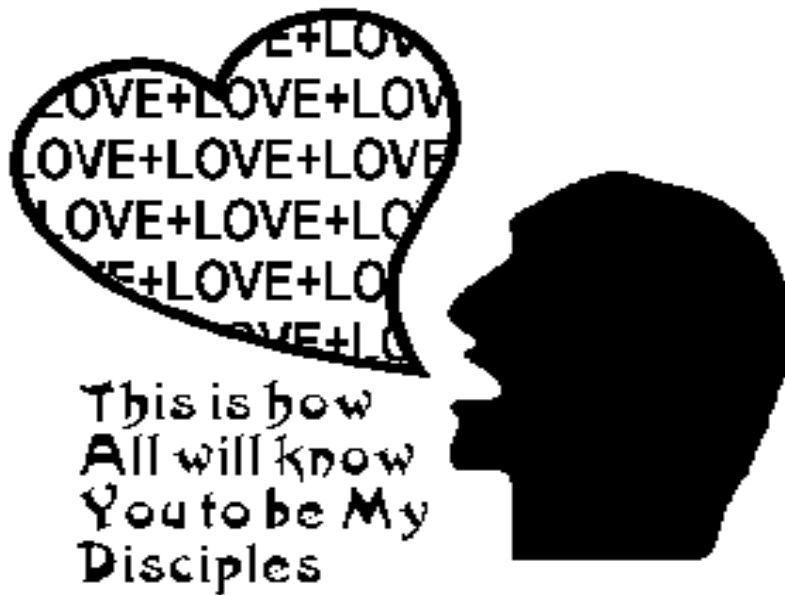


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Polish National Catholic Church
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Fifth Sunday of Easter - "C"
Piąta Niedziela Wielkanocna

May 19, 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, May 19th – V Sunday of Easter

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Stanley and Loretta Kovalewski**, of. by sister Theresa Petrusky.

- Litany to the BVM.

TUESDAY, May 21st – *Easter Weekday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM, intention for: all **Parishioners**.

FRIDAY, May 24th – *Easter Weekday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM.

SATURDAY, May 25th – *Easter Weekday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM on Saturday.

NEXT SUNDAY, May 26th – VI Sunday of Easter

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Lauren Feudale, of. by grandma Theresa Petrusky.

- Litany to the BVM.

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 RITE (John 13:34-35)

V. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. Alleluia.

R. This is how all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another. 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 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas journey through Lystra and Iconium on their way to Antioch. As they do, they encourage all they meet to persevere in the faith, even in the face of hardship.

GRADUAL (1Peter 1:22; 1 John 3:14)

V. Since you have purified yourselves by obedience to the truth for sincere mutual love, love one another intensely from a [pure] heart. Alleluia.

R. We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers. Whoever does not love remains in death. Alleluia.

II Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

A new Jerusalem appears where God lives among humans. God will wipe away the tears from every eye and will be no more death.

ALLELUIA (Romans 12:10)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

A new commandment given by Jesus, to love one another as He has loved us, will identify us as true disciples.

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.

- **Hall for Rent** is available...\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.
- **June 9** – Mother's/Father's Day brunch.
- **June 20 at 7:00PM** – Seniorate Corpus Christi Service **in our church.**

- **October 25** – Special Synod in Scranton, PA.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: May 22 – John Plaxa; May 23 – Andrew Tokarczyk.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Father Janusz Lucarz - Sarah Powanda - Helen Hopko - 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; *Shenandoah Manor*: Helen Menzyk (D14).



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.

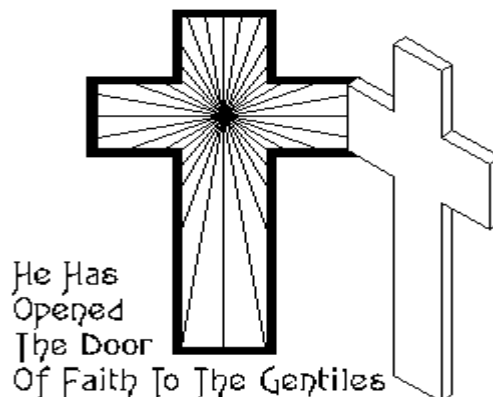


WELCOME OUR VISITORS – We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! If you are new to our parish, please submit your name, address and telephone number to **Father Robert**. Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding 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: “I give you a new commandment: LOVE ONE ANOTHER. As I have loved you, so you should also LOVE ONE ANOTHER. THIS IS HOW ALL WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES, IF YOU HAVE LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER”. (John 13:34-35).

HE HAS OPENED THE DOOR

Saint Paul left an enduring mark on the Church. Until his ministry began, the followers of Jesus were seen to be no more than one of the many sects of the Jewish religion. In fact, the first believers maintained dual worship. They were united by their faith in Jesus, but they continued the customs of the older religion. Paul saw Christianity as something completely new. It is a religion in its own right. He did this when he baptized former pagans and did not insist that they continue Old Testament customs. Some Christian groups seem to be more grounded in the Old Testament and its harsh laws. Christianity must be seen as something totally new, based upon the New Testament law of love.



THE MARK OF A DISCIPLE

Many people can be known by the uniforms they wear: Police, Nurses, Soldiers, Priests. This grants them instant recognition, protection and willingness to serve. Jesus teaches that all of his followers must wear a uniform that is just as visible. It is not made of cloth or brass. It is a uniform of love. We must be patient,

merciful and tolerant, but not aggressive, opportunistic, or over-bearing. People should be able to look at our concern for others and willingness to sacrifice ourselves and say "THAT MUST BE A CHRISTIAN, I CAN TELL." Other people can exercise all these qualities--and should--but our compassion has to be OUTSTANDING!

PARISH INFORMATION. **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**.

DUES 2019. Since January 2005, a change was made that eliminated the 'family plan' method for paying Church dues. This change was voted upon and approved at the 2002 General Synod.

Each adult member (18 years old+) will now be recorded as an individual unit. This means every adult member is now responsible for his/her own dues. To continue to be a member at St. John the Baptist parish and a member of the Polish National Catholic Church each adult will be responsible for paying the following:

Total dues for 2019 per Adult Member: \$137.00 Per Year

The parish itself has an obligation to pay dues according to the number of active members to the General Church and Diocese and our financial administration distributes these monies also as directed by the General Synod. A breakdown of where these dollars are sent is available upon request.

There are also many other funds within your parish that require your attention and need your donations:

Sunday Collection, St. Johns Fund, Fuel Fund, Cemetery Fund, Clergy/Pension Fund, Easter Donations, Flower Fund, and Christmas Donations.