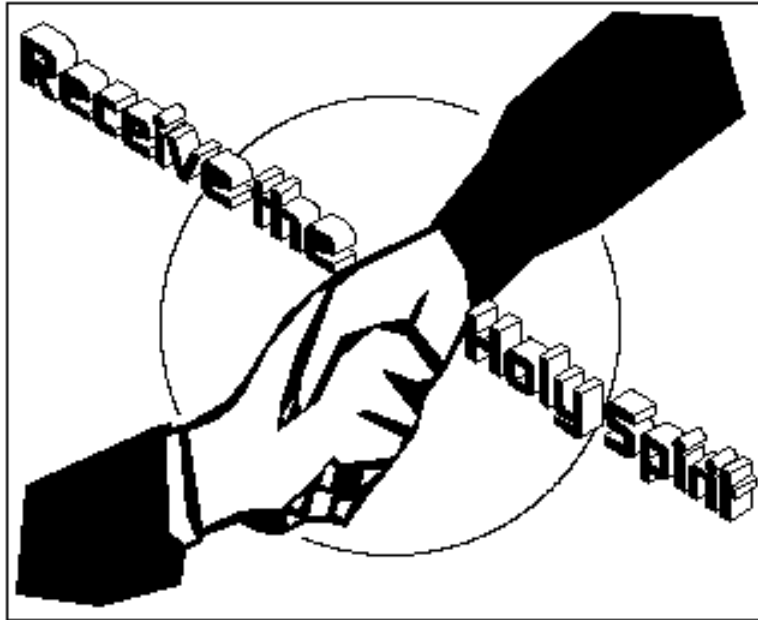


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Solemnity of Pentecost - "C"
Niedziela Zesłania Ducha Świętego
Solennita di Pentecoste

June 9, 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, June 9th – Solemnity of Pentecost

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **Paul Elsavage**, of. by Mr. Sandra Elsavage & family.

- Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- Mother's/Father's Day brunch.
- 2nd collection: to cover the cost of crafters/vendors & food trucks fall event. Thank you!

TUESDAY, June 11th – Feast – St. Barnabas, Apostle

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

Pentecost FRIDAY, June 14th

Holy Mass and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Pentecost SATURDAY, June 15th

Holy Mass to the BVM on Saturday, and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

NEXT SUNDAY, June 16th – Solemnity of the Holy Trinity – Father’s Day

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all Fathers.

- Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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.

ENTRANCE RITE (Wisdom 1:7-8)

V. For the Spirit of the Lord fills the world, is all-embracing, and knows what man says. Alleluia!

R. Therefore no one who utters wicked things can go unnoticed, nor will chastising condemnation pass him by. 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 2:1-11

As Stephen is being stoned to death, in the presence of Saul, he sees the glory of God and Christ at the Father’s right hand.

GRADUAL (Zephaniah 3:8a-9)

V. Therefore, wait for Me says the Lord. For then I will change and purify the lips of the peoples. Alleluia!

R. That they all may call upon the Name of the Lord, to serve Him with one accord. Alleluia!

II Reading: Romans 8:8-17

Moved by the Spirit we become children of God and heirs as well. We can even be familiar with God, crying out, “Abba, Father!”

ALLELUIA (Joel 3:1)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. I will pour out My Spirit upon all humankind. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 14:15-16.23-26

Jesus prays that all people might experience the love and unity of the heart of the Holy Trinity in order to witness to such an incredible truth.

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.

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 20 at 7:00PM – Seniorate Corpus Christi Service in our church.**
- **September 28 – Crafters/Vendors & Food Trucks Fall Event**
- **October 25 – Special Synod in Scranton, PA.**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: June 11 – Lance Nelson; June 13 – John Golba.



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.**

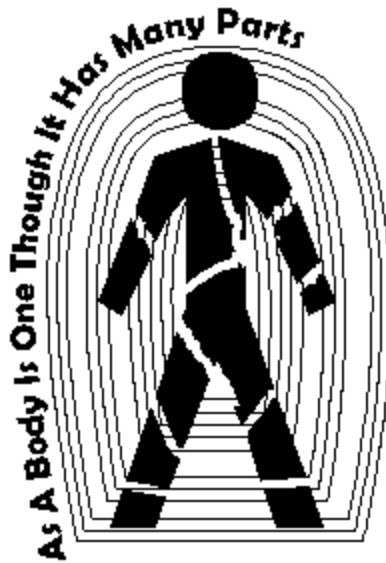
Scripture verse of the week: “Make every effort to preserve the unity which has the Spirit as its origin and peace as its binding force. There is but one body and one Spirit, just as there is but one hope given all of you by your call. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all, and works through all, and is in all”. (Ephesians 4:3-6).

NOT A DOVE, NOT A FLAME, BUT A PERSON!

If you were asked to draw a picture of God the Son, you might sketch a young man with long hair and a beard. If you were asked to draw a picture of God the Father, you might fashion an image of an older man with white hair. How would you draw a picture of the Holy Spirit? Most artists have been content with using images from the Bible--a dove or a flame. Is this adequate?

Jesus' description of the Holy Spirit is that of a person. "I will ask the Father and he will send you another defender. When he comes... he will guide you to all truth." (Jn 15:16; 16:13) The best image of the Holy Spirit might be that of the Russian Icon by Andrei Rublev, a 15th century artist. He portrays three visitors to Abraham mentioned in Genesis 18. They are identical in appearance, though their clothing differs.

The point is that God the Holy Spirit is a loving, caring and beautiful person. The Holy Spirit should be treated in the same way as God the Father and God the Son.



AS A BODY IS ONE

The central point in Paul's teaching is the notion that all of Jesus' followers are united. This is more than a symbolic unity--that we are together in a common faith. Paul believes that there is a real physical and mental link between us. He uses the human body as an illustration of this basic thought.

Your body is a combination of many individual components: hands, feet, eyes, bones, etc. Today, we might compare it with a computer that has a monitor, keyboard, central processor, modem--all linked together by wires (or even wireless). Each part is harmonized by our brain, or more specifically, by our soul. When the soul leaves the body, the individual parts no longer act in harmony.

The Holy Spirit is the connecting link in our faith-body. He (or She) harmonizes our individual gifts for the benefit of the whole community.

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**.