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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "C"

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July 28, 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 – Contemporary liturgy in English.

Today, July 28th – XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

- 2nd collection to cover expenses of the craft show.
- Semi-Annual Parish Meeting in the hall.

THURSDAY, August 1st - Weekday

Holy Mass, intention: for all Parishioners.

FRIDAY, August 2nd – First Sunday of the month

Holy Mass and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.5-6:00PM – Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

SATURDAY, August 3rd – Feast – Finding the Body of St. Stephen

Holy Mass and Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 4th - XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM - Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Mildred Paniakarchuk, of. by Mrs. Betty Brazausky.

- Confession.
- Collection for missions.

Today's liturgy

<u>ASPERGES</u> – 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 (Wisdom 12:15-16)

V. But as you are just, you govern all things justly; you regard is as unworthy of your power to punish one who has incurred no blame.

R. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all.

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: Genesis 18:20-32

<u>Responsorial Psalm</u>: Lord, on the day I called for help, You answered me.

II Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

ALLELUIA (Romans 8:15)

V. Alleluia, alleluia. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**V. You have received a Spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, Father. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

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.

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GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Let us turn with confidence to our heavenly Father and put before Him our needs.

- We pray for our the Church: that the Holy Spirit may teach all her members how to pray well so that we may discover what God's will is for each of us. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

- We pray for all our parishes: that the Holy Spirit may inspire our liturgy so that our common worship may truly reveal the beauty and the love of God. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

- We pray for each one of us: that we may ask God for what we really want and then trust that God will answer our prayers. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

- We pray for those who are sick in the parish, in our community and in our families: that the Lord may send His healing power to restore their health. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

- For all deceased members of our families – especially for James Dean – for those, who sacrificed their lives for

freedom, and whose good deeds go with them: may they experience the fullness of life in Christ. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

- For the **President** of the **US** and for the entire **Government**: may they succeed in their mission to lead our nation wisely. *R. Lord, hear our prayer*.

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

Celebrant: Loving Father, hear all these our prayers, and what we ask in faith may you grant through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *R. Amen*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **<u>Thanks</u>** 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.
- September 28 Crafters/Vendors & Food Trucks Fall Event
- October 25 Special Synod in Scranton, PA.



<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY!</u> Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 2 – Ron Antalosky (son).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski – Helen Hopko - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik –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: "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master. While we live we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die we die as His servants. Both in life and in death we are the Lord's That is why Christ died and came to life again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living". (Romans 14:7-9).

<u>RECEIVING THE HOLY EUCHARIST</u> – 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.



<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES</u>. The Classes will start in **September 2019**. I'm asking the parents whose children (age 8 and older) did not receive the Holy Communion, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. ATTENTION: Parents, who are not our parishioners, but who would like their children to enroll classes, are asking for donation of \$150.00 for using the church.



<u>CONFIRMATION CLASSES</u>. The Classes will start in October 2019. I'm asking the parents whose children was not confirmed, please encouraged your children to attend the classes. The minimum age for Confirmation is 14. Students who will be 14 years old or older in May 2021 are eligible to take confirmation classes. The course is two years, as required by the Church and will be completed in Spring

of the year 2021. ATTENTION: Parents, who are not our parishioners, but who would like their children to enroll classes, are asking for donation of \$150.00/year, for using the church.

<u>PNCC Future Direction Message</u> - If you know of parishioners or friends who are not a part of our monthly email updates – please have them email us at <u>FutureDirection@pncc.org</u> to become a part of this important effort for our Holy Church.

PNCC 2019 Future Direction Plan Committee – Action plan for PNCC parishes based on the efforts of the 24th and 25th General Synods

Develop and emphasize Discipleship through 2019: Our purpose is to strengthen all members in their following of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Getting back to basics. Discipleship is who we are – all this flows from being a disciple of Jesus.

August – Let the children come to Me – Discipleship of and with our youth. Projected outcome: Adult Church members will take an opportunity to speak with a young member of the Church to acknowledge the dignity and value of their place within the Church and to help them discern how might God want them to live our their discipleship in the new school year.

SODOM AND GOMORRAH

Sometime after 1800 B.C. Abraham entered Palestine with his extended family. This group included his nephew, Lot and his family. Because the area was small—about the size of Vermont—the two groups split. Lot settled in the area south of the Dead Sea. It was the site of two cities, Sodom and Gomorrah. God comes to warn Abraham about the impending destruction of the region. The patriarch bargains with God like a wily trader bartering over the price of a sheep.

BURIED IN BAPTISM

Saint Paul believed that Baptism was a symbolic death and resurrection. The death-like aspect involved total immersion and resembled drowning. It was seen as a parallel to Christ's crucifixion and revival. He uses this concept to teach that Christians, having been restored to life in Jesus, are freed from the legal formalities of Judaism. He specifically rejects the requirement of circumcision.