

**St. John the Baptist Parish**  
**Polish National Catholic Church**  
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**Solemnity – Baptism of the Lord - “A”**

Uroczystość Chrztu Pańskiego  
Solennità – Battesimo del Signore

**January 12, 2020**

*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, January 12<sup>th</sup> – Baptism of the Lord**

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

- Removing Christmas decorations after the Mass.

**MONDAY, January 13<sup>th</sup>** – *Within the Octave of Epiphany*

**Holy Mass**, intention for: **Father Michael Selep**, his family and Parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish in McKees Rocks, PA.

**TUESDAY, January 14<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

**Requiem Holy Mass**, intention for: those who are in Purgatory.

**FRIDAY, January 17<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

**Holy Mass** and Litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

**SATURDAY, January 18<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

*Week of prayer for Christian Unity begins*

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

**NEXT SUNDAY, January 19<sup>th</sup>** – *II Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

### **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** (Matthew 3:16-17; Psalm 72:13)

V. After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, for Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased.”

**R He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.**

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:** Isaiah 42:1-4.6-7

**GRADUAL** (Isaiah 2:4)

V. He shall judge between the nations and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks;

**R. One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.**

**II Reading:** Acts 10:34-38

**ALLELUIA** (Psalm 114:3-4)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

V. The sea beheld and fled; the Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs of the flock.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 3:13-17

### **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.

- **February 23 – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING!**
- **Ash Wednesday – February 26**
- **Palm Sunday – April 5**
- **Easter Sunday – April 12**

**THIS WEEK PRAYER for:** - **Father Michael Selep**, his family and Parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish in McKees Rocks, PA.



**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 – Marjorie Dean - Edward Jurewicz. ***H & R Center Tremont:*** Dolores Halaburda (309); ***Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA*** – Marie Demnitski (223); ***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**.

**DEATH NOTICE** – Sp. **Claire Mallick** (94) passed away on Wednesday, January 8. She was the lifetime member of the PNCC Holy Ghost Parish in Shanandoah, PA and later our parish. Mrs. Claire was a very active member of the Blessed Sacrament Society and the Holy Ghost Parish Committee until this parish was closed. Her funeral took place on Saturday, January 11 at 10:30AM, and she was buried at the Holy Ghost Cemetery in Shenandoah. ***Eternal rest grant unto her, o Lord...***

**SNOW and ICE ALERT** – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth.

**PNCC 2019 Future Direction Plan Committee** – Action plan for PNCC parishes based on the efforts of the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> General Synods.

Develop and emphasize Discipleship through **2020: *Our purpose is to strengthen all members in their following of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This will give us a better sense of ourselves as the Church. During 2020 we will examine the lives of the early disciples of our Lord and their discipleship to see what we can learn from them and apply to our daily living. Please, see the monthly Future Direction messages regarding this effort with reflections for living this out daily.***

**JANUARY – JOHN the BAPTIST:** Fortitude, humility – *John the Baptist called others to repent and prepare for the Lord Jesus. How can you, as a disciple, help others take their relationship with our Lord more seriously?*

### **Prayer to St. Michael**

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wiles and wickedness of the devil. Restrain him, o God, we humbly pray, and you, o Prince of the heavenly

Host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin and destruction of souls. Amen.