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Solemnity of Pentecost - "A"
Uroczystość Zesłania Ducha Świętego

May 31, 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 – Contemporary liturgy in English, p. 63

Following the rules – the Country and the Church – faithful attend services on their own responsibility. 10 people (no more!) could be in the church; yellow phase – 25, keep at least 6 feet social distance, you may even wear the face mask, use sanitizers; no Holy Communion at this time.

Today, May 31st – Pentecost Sunday

10:00AM - Holy Mass and Litany to the BVM, intention: for all Parishioners.

June is the Sacred Vocations Month

MONDAY, June 1st – *Pentecost Monday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention for: **Father Andrzej Bieganowski, his family, and parishioners of Holy Cross parish in Baltimore, MD.**

TUESDAY, June 2nd – *Pentecost Tuesday*

Requiem Holy Mass and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for those who are in Purgatory.

THURSDAY, June 4th – *Pentecost Thursday*

Thanksgiving Holy Mass – 32nd Anniversary of the Pastor's Ordination to the Priesthood, and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

FRIDAY, June 5th – *First Friday of the month*

Holy Mass and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

SATURDAY, June 6th – *Pentecost Saturday*

Holy Mass and Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

NEXT SUNDAY, June 7th – *Solemnity of the Holy Trinity – Clergy Appreciation Weekend*

10:00AM – **Holy Mass** and Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention: for all Parishioners.

Today's liturgy

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

Responsorial Psalm: **Lord, send our Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.**

II Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13

ALLELUIA

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

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.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH [PAGE 71]

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Let us bring our prayers to God our Father, asking Him to fill us afresh with the Holy Spirit to encourage and inspire us as we journey along the way.

- We pray for the Prime Bishop and our Diocesan Bishop: may they serve the people of God in the power of the Holy Spirit. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For politicians and all who lead our civic society: that they will always ensure they put the needs of those who are poor and vulnerable first. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For the people of our parish: may they be powerful proclaimers of the message of Christ. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

- For those who suffer from sickness of any form: that the Holy Spirit may touch their lives and assure them they are not alone. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

- We pray for those who fight coronavirus in these days, may God bless all efforts to take away from us this sickness. **R. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: God our Father, in all our prayers, those spoken aloud and those whispered in silence, may we be given Your peace, through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

Act of Spiritual Communion

(To be used at the time of communion when not receiving the sacrament or anytime we wish to be united with our Lord)

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

Supplication – PNCC Hymnal, p. 290, 3v.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Thank you very much to **Mrs. Ann Marie Wycheck** for organizing some extra funds for our Parish in this difficult time; to **Mrs. Sandra Elsavage** for smoothly cooperation; to **Mrs. Janina Plichta** for keep our home of worship clean; to **Mr. James Abicunas** for doing his work in this difficult time. God Bless Us All!

THANK YOU very much to: **Mrs. Janina Plichta** and **Victoria Plichta** for their hard work last Wednesday to prepare the church for worship!

- **Hall for Rent** is available...**\$100.00 for 2 hours**/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and **\$50.00** returnable deposit.
- **Sep. 26** – Craft Vendor & Food Truck Fall event.

THIS WEEK PRAYER for: - **Father Andrzej Bieganowski, his family**, and parishioners of Holy Cross parish in Baltimore, MD.

PNCC GENERAL CHURCH NEWS COVID-19 - In regards to the celebration of the Liturgy, **Holy Mass will continue so that the Church will continue to pray for her people, but we are instructing all our parishioners to remain at home** joined in prayer with others at home during the appropriate time. Worship aids for each Sunday will be available on the P.N.C.C. website (pncc.org) and on the P.N.C.C. Facebook Page (PNCC1), so that you can follow the liturgical prayers and readings of that particular Sunday.

The celebration of Holy Mass will appear on the **P.N.C.C. Facebook Page (PNCC1)** on Sundays and Holy Days.

Although we are instructing our people **to remain at home**, if anyone does attend the celebration of Mass, **the clergy will not distribute Holy Communion during Mass**. At the appropriate time, the “Act of Spiritual Communion” will be read together by the celebrant and any worshippers present.

This statement has been posted on our P.N.C.C. Facebook Page (PNCC1) and our P.N.C.C. website.

(All Statements from this office can be downloaded from pncc.org via the Prime Bishop’s Blog (COVID-19 - Statements from the Office of the Prime Bishop, P.N.C.C.) at: http://www.pncc.org/?page_id=3611)



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Anniversary best wishes are extended to: June 4 – Michael & Sarah Tokarczyk.



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 – Jaden Leiby - Edward Jurewicz – Marjorie Dean. ***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**.

RECEIVING THE HOLY EUCHARIST – 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.

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

PNCC 2020 Future Direction Plan Committee – Action plan for PNCC parishes based on the efforts of the 24th and 25th General Synods.

Continue to develop Discipleship through 2020: Our purpose is to strengthen all members in their following of our Lord Jesus Christ. During 2020 we will examine the lives of some of the early disciples of our Lord and their discipleship virtues to see what we can learn from them and apply to our daily living.

JUNE – SAINTS JAMES & JOHN: SONS OF THUNDER, APOSTLES OF LOVE

Reflection Question: Jesus taught the “Sons of Thunder” that true honor and greatness come from putting the needs of others before your own and becoming a servant. Do you sometimes do things so that others will see you doing them instead of doing them out of love? How can you better learn the lesson that James and John learned as disciples of Jesus?

Remember: Clergy Appreciation Weekend & Sacred Vocations Month.

A PRAYER in OUR TIME of the CORONAVIRUS

(adapted from the monthly publication, America)

O Jesus Christ, my Savior and healer, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness

and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help, who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Jesus Christ, heal us. **Amen.**

The Coronavirus Prayer in Its Essence

(also one, in Tweet-able form)

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, that we may experience your healing love.

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.