St. John the Baptist Parish Polish National Catholic Church

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

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July 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.

Following the rules – the Country and the Church – faithful attend services on their own responsibility. Red phase:10 people (no more!) could be in the church; yellow phase – 25, keep at least 6 feet social distance, you have to wear the face mask, use sanitizers; Holy Communion will be distributed to those who would like to receive the Sacrament.

Today, July 12th – XV Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass, Holy Mass, intention for: Sp. Lucille Greenman, of. by daughter, Elizabeth.

TUESDAY, July 14th – Weekday

8:15AM - Holy Mass, intention for: **Father Jan Kość**, his family and parishioners of Holy Trinity and St. Joseph church in Linden, NJ.

FRIDAY, July 17th – Weekday

8:15AM - Holy Mass and litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, intention for: all Parishioners.

SATURDAY, July 18th – Weekday

8:40AM - Holy Mass and Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary; intention for: the grace of conversion and reflection for those, who promote violence and destruction in our Country.

11:00AM – Central Diocesan Council teleconference.

NEXT SUNDAY, July 19th – XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Today's liturgy

ENTRANCE RITE (Hebrews 4:12; John 1:14)

V. Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.

R. And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us, and we saw His glory as the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

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 55:10-11

GRADUAL (1 Peter 1:23; Luke 11:28)

V. You have been born anew, not from perishable but from imperishable seed, through the living and abiding word of God.

R. "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

II Reading: Romans 8:18-23

ALLELUIA (Luke 8:11b; 1 Thessalonians 2:13b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. The seed is the word of God, which is now at work in you who believe.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-23

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.

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. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

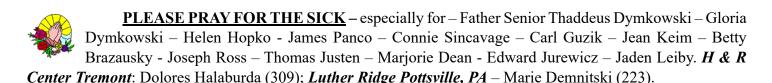
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.
- Sep. 26 Craft Vendor & Food Truck Fall event.
- Nov. 13-14 Central Diocesan Synod.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER for:</u> - Father Jan Kość, his family and parishioners of Holy Trinity and St. Joseph church in Linden, NJ.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: July 17 – Theresa Patrusky.





<u>HOSPITAL VISIT.</u> 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.

PNCC 2020 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 **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.

JULY - ST. PAUL: REPENTANCE, FORTITUDE AND SPIRITUAL ENDURANCE

<u>Reflection Question:</u> Paul understood the sacrifices that had to be made for the sake of the Gospel and he willingly made them. Have you ever been called to sacrifice something as a disciple of Jesus? How can you prepare this month to be able to give up things of the world for the sake of the Eternal Kingdom of God?

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**.

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.