

**St. John the Baptist Parish**  
**Polish National Catholic Church**  
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**Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"**

Solemnity – Brotherly Love

XXIV Niedziela Zwykła – Święto Braterskiej Miłości

**September 13, 2020**

**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, September 13<sup>th</sup> – XXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time – Solemnity Brotherly Love**

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

➤ *Collection for Spojnia Inc., in support of Bp. Hodur's Retreat Center.*

**MONDAY, September 14<sup>th</sup> – Solemnity - Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

**7:50AM - Holy Mass, intention for: Rev. CPT Józef Kolek, his family, and soldiers entrusted to his care.**

**TUESDAY, September 15<sup>th</sup> – Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrow**

7:50AM - Holy Mass to praise and glorify God for His goodness and mercy.

**WEDNESDAY, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

6:00PM – meeting to finalize the plans for the Craft/Vendor & Food Truck Fall Event in the hall.

**THURSDAY, September 17<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

7:50AM – Holy Mass for Health.

**FRIDAY, September 18<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

8:30AM – Holy Mass and Litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ.

**SATURDAY, September 19<sup>th</sup>** – *Weekday*

8:45AM - Holy Mass and Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**NEXT SUNDAY, September 20<sup>th</sup>** – *XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time.*

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

**Today's liturgy**

**ENTRANCE RITE (1 John 4:7,9)**

V. Beloved let us love one another, because love is God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

**R. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him.**

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: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

**GRADUAL (Luke 17:3b-4)**

V. If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

**R. And if he wrongs you seven times in one day and returns to you seven times saying, "I am sorry," you should forgive him.**

**II Reading: 1 John 4:17-21**

**ALLELUIA (John 15:17)**

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

V. This I command you: love one another.

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

**GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37**

**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.

**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.

## 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. 14** – Consecration of the Very Rev. Jerry Rafalko.
- **Sep. 26** – Craft Vendor & Food Truck Fall event.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER for:** - Rev. CPT Józef Kołek, his family, and soldiers entrusted to his care.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 18 – James Abicunas.



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



**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.**

**DISTRICT 1** of the PNU will be holding its next quarterly meeting on September 17, 2020 at 7:00PM. Because of COVID-19 and the guidance of the executive officers of the PNU, the meeting will be held via a conference call. Those who wish to attend can contact Julie Andrzejewski at [District1Director@pnu.org](mailto:District1Director@pnu.org) or 570-842-1603 for the phone number and participant code. All are welcome.

**PNCC 2020 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.***

**SEPTEMBER – ST. BARNABAS: GENEROSITY, FORTITUDE**

**Reflection Question:** *Barnabas was called “son of encouragement” by the Apostles. In what ways can you follow his example and encourage others this month on their own journeys as disciples of Jesus?*

**Just a reminder** – The church IS NOT RESPONSIBLE for maintaining the burial plots in the cemetery. The ONLY THING THE CHURCH IS RESPONSIBLE for is the cutting of the grass. We have PERPETUAL GRASS CUTTING! ALSO, a new grave will be leveled off and grass seed will be put on it. Other than that, it is the responsibility of the loved ones to maintain the individual lots. If you have someone buried there and the condition of the lot doesn't meet your approval please fix it or hire someone to fix it. We will be trying to get the trees all around the perimeter of the cemetery trimmed since they are beginning to hang over the road and the gates need to be painted since they are beginning to rust. Very few cemetery donations come into the cemetery fund so our funds are limited but we are trying to do the best we can. Thank you for your help with these matters!

**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.