# St. John the Baptist Parish Polish National Catholic Church

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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

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**September 20, 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 20th – XXV Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

## MONDAY, Sep. 21st – Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

**7:50AM - Holy Mass,** intention for: **Bishop Paul Sobiechowski**, his family, and parishioners of Holy Trinity Cathedral in Manchester, NH.

TUESDAY, Sep. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Weekday

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

**1:00PM** – Cleaning & Preparation of the shed.

# THURSDAY, Sep. 24<sup>th</sup> – Weekday

7:50AM – Requiem Holy Mass for those who are in Purgatory.

# FRIDAY, Sep. 25<sup>th</sup> – Weekday

7:50AM - Requiem Holy Mass for Sp. Jan and Marianna Zaborowscy, and Litany to the Holy Spirit.

## SATURDAY, Sep. 26th – Weekday

7:20AM - Holy Mass and Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

8:00AM – Preparation for Craft Vendor & Food Truck Fall event; please help us with this event.

10:00AM – Craft Vendor & Food Truck begins.

# NEXT SUNDAY, Sept. 27th - XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time - Spojnia Sunday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Members of the PNU of America.

# **Today's liturgy**

## **ENTRANCE RITE** (Psalm 145:8-9)

V. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in love.

R. The Lord is good to all, compassionate to every creature.

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 55:6-9

#### **GRADUAL** (Psalm 103:8-10)

V. Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. God does not always rebuke, nurses no lasting anger.

R. He has not dealt with us as our sins merit, nor requited us as our deeds deserve.

**II Reading: Philippians 1:20-24.27** 

## **ALLELUIA** Romans 9:15b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. I will show mercy to whom I will, I will take pity on whom I will.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 20:1-16

## **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**

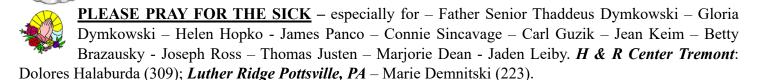
Special **Thanks** go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

- 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.

<u>THIS WEEK PRAYER for:</u> - Bishop Paul Sobiechowski, his family, and parishioners of Holy Trinity Cathedral in Manchester, NH.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: September 25 – Helen Hopko.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Anniversary best wishes are extended to: September 24 – George and Ann Marie Wycheck.





<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 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

<u>Reflection Question</u>: 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?

<u>Just a reminder</u> – The church IS NOT RESPONSIBLE for maintaining the burial plots in the cemetery. The ONLY THING THE CHURCH IS RESPONSIBEE 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.