

St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church
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Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"
Solemnity – Christian Family

Dwudziesta Ósma Niedziela Zwyczajna – Uroczystość Rodziny Chrześcijańskiej

October 11, 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, October 11th – XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Solemnity – Christian Family.
Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. **John David's family**, of. by Ms. Barbara David.

MONDAY, October 12th - *Weekday*

7:50AM - Holy Mass, intention: for **Father Andrzej Tenus**, his family, and parishioners of St. Casimir's Parish in Lowell, MA.

TUESDAY, October 13th – *Weekday*

7:50AM - Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners**.

THURSDAY, October 15th – *Weekday*

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

FRIDAY, October 16th – *Weekday*

7:50AM – Holy Mass and Litany to the Most Precious Blood of Christ, intention: to praise and glorify God for all His goodness and mercy.

SATURDAY, October 17th – *Weekday*

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

NEXT SUNDAY, October 18th – **XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time** – Heritage Sunday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Patricia Abicunas, of. by the Son, James Abicunas.

Today's liturgy

ENTRANCE RITE (1 Timothy 5:8; Galatians 6:10)

V. Whoever does not provide for relatives and especially family members has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

R. So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith.

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: Genesis 1:26-28.31

GRADUAL (Ephesians 6:1-4)

V. Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise, "that it may go well with you and that you may have a long life on earth".

R. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up with the training and instruction of the Lord.

II Reading: Ephesians 6:1-9

ALLELUIA (Proverbs 6:20)

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Observe, my son, your father's bidding, and reject not your mother's teaching.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:42-52

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. Inflammé 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.

THIS WEEK PRAYER for: - Father Andrzej Tenus, his family, and parishioners of St. Casimir's Parish in Lowell, MA.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES. All Soul's Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: PRINT) and return them to the Pastor as soon as possible. (Thank you).

ALL SOULS PRAYER SERVICE will be held on **Sunday, November 1, 2020** after the Mass inside the church.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: October 15 – Michelle Shinn.



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**.

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.*

OCTOBER – THE HOLY THEOTOKOS: HUMILITY, GENTLENESS, COMPASSION AND EVERY VIRTUE

Reflection Question: The Mother of God is the first and greatest disciple of her Son, faithful from the Annunciation to the Ascension and then still prayerfully present with the Church at Pentecost. How can you better emulate her consistent faithfulness to God when faced with both great sorrows and times of joy?

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.

The Fruitful Church

A church is just a building
Until it's filled with LOVE:
It then becomes a worship place,
With blessings from above.

A church is just a building,
Until there's JOY within;
And Christ, Who is the Keeper,
Gives victory from sin.

A church is just a building,
Until it's filled with PEACE:
Where bitterness has disappeared,
And deeds of love increase.

A church is just a building,
Till PATIENCE fills the air;
With tender guidance for the flock,
That everyone can share.

A church is just a building,
Until it's filled with trust;
With GOODNESS and with FAITHFULLNESS,
Forgiveness is a must.

A church is just a building,
With windows, doors and walls;
Till GENTLENESS and SELF CONTROL,
And KINDNESS fill the halls.

A church is really people,
Who love and serve the Lord;
And care for needs of others,
According to God's Word.

Ruth I. Jay