St. John the Baptist Parish Polish National Catholic Church

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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - "A"

Trzydziesta Trzecia Niedziela Zwykła

November 15, 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, November 15th – XXXIII Sunday

Holy Mass with the reading of the Memorial List; intention: for all Parishioners.

MONDAY, November 16th – Weekday

8:00AM - Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. John David ... (All Souls)

TUESDAY, November 17th – Weekday

8:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for all Sp. Bernard and Dorothy Halaburda... (All Souls).

THURSDAY, November 19th – Weekday

8:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Edward Halaburda ... (All Souls).

FRIDAY, November 20th – Weekday

8:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass and Litany to Holy Spirit, intention: for Sp. Sp. Patricia Abicunas ... (All Souls)

SATURDAY, November 21st – Solemnity – Presentation of the BVM

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

NEXT SUNDAY, November 22nd – Solemnity – Christ the King -XXXIV Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – **Holy Mass** with the reading of the Memorial List; intention: for Sp. Bernard Halaburda Jr., of. by daughter, Mrs. Sandra Elsavage.

Today's liturgy

ENTRANCE RITE (Jeremiah 3:19)

V. I had thought: How I should like to treat as sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful among the nations!

- R. You would call Me, "My Father," I thought, and never cease following Me.
- 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: Proverbs 31:10-13.19-20.30-31

GRADUAL (Luke 12:48b)

- V. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much.
- R. Still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.

II Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

ALLELUIA (Luke 11:28)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- V. "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

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. 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.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Birthday best wishes are extended to: November 20 – Julian Bednarek.



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.

KINDLY REMINDER – We would like to remind our Parishioners that all financial books for this year would be closed on **December 31, 2020**. Therefore, please, be responsible for your own church and fulfill your obligation to the Parish before that date. THANK YOU. A member, who fulfills the financial obligation to the Parish, by paying our yearly dues (\$137.00), is a financial good standing member of the Church. This means that he/she is a voting member of the Parish, can be elected to the Parish Committee, can be elected as a delegate for Synods and Seniorate Council, can be married in the church, and when time comes could be buried at the Parish Cemetery.

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.

NOVEMBER - ST. MATTHEW: SELF DISCIPLINE

Reflection Question: When Jesus called Matthew the tax collector to follow Him, he did so despite what others said about him. Have you ever been the one to deem someone else unworthy of being a disciple of Jesus in some way? How can you overcome such perceptions and instead help strengthen others in their discipleship?

The Frackville Free Public Library is taking orders for Fresh Holiday Greens. Wreaths, garland, cemetery crosses, birch logs, swags and more are available to order. The deadline to order is **November 17, 2020**. Delivery is Tuesday, December 1, 2020. To order call the Frackville Library at 570-874-3382, view the order form at the Frackville Library's Facebook page or stop in the library at 56 N. Lehigh Ave, Frackville. Thank you for supporting the Frackville Library with this fundraiser.

(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 DAY OF THE LORD

"Jesus spoke of his return from heaven, implying that it would happen within the lifetimes of some of his listeners. St. Paul preached this and stirred audiences with the notion of a forthcoming cataclysm. The congregation at Thessalonica, Greece certainly took him literally. Many quit their jobs, anticipating the end of the world. This earned Christians a reputation for laziness.

St. Paul realized the error and wrote his first letter to warn his followers against panic. Even if the world-the Day of the Lord-should end suddenly, Christians must not worry. They are secure in their faith-relationship with Jesus. We will not be overcome unprepared. Still, we must be vigilant."