



I Will Make You  
Fishers of Men

### St. John the Baptist Parish

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### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Trzecia Niedziela Zwyczajna – “B” January 24, 2021

#### Events for the week:

**Sun., 1/24/21 – 10:00AM** - Holy Mass  
intention: for Sp. John David's Family, of.  
by Ms. Barbara David.

**Mon., 1/25/21 – 8:00AM** – Holy Mass  
intention: for all Parishioners.

**Thursday, 1/28/21 – 8:00AM** – Holy  
Mass for Rev. Thomas Walsh, his family  
and parishioners.

**Fri., 1/29/21 – 8:00AM** – Holy Mass  
and Litany to the Blood of Christ.

**Sat., 1/30/21 – 8:45AM** – Holy Mass  
and Litany to the BVM.

**Next Sunday, Jan. 31 – Holy Mass** for Sp.  
Joanne Plaxa.

**THIS WEEK PRAYER for:** - Father  
Thomas Walsh, his family and  
parishioners of St. Joseph's parish in  
Stratford, CT.

*Each time we come to celebrate the Eucharist together we renew the promise we made at our baptism to turn to Christ and follow Him. We ask His help in letting go of all that prevents us fulfilling this promise and thank Him for the grace which allows us to share in His life and follow His ways.*

**I Reading:** Jonah 3:1-5.10

**II Reading:** I Corinthians 7:29-31

**GOSPEL:** Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There He proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' He said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As He was walking along by the Sea of Galilee He saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow Me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed Him.

Going on a little further, He saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after Him.

#### 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.
- **February 17 – Ash Wednesday**
- **March 7 – Annual Parish meeting** after the Mass.
- **Friday, March 26 – Halushki sale;** pre-order till **March 19** - \$7.00 per quart.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Birthday best wishes are extended to: January 24 – Geraldine Panco; January 25 – Dolores Halaburda; January 26 – Jan Cegielski.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Father Richard Wosiak - 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).

**FUTURE MASS INTENTIONS:** Jan. 31: Sp. Joanne Plaxa; Feb. 7: Sp. Michael & Sophia Stetts; Feb. 14: Sp. James Dean; Feb. 21: Sp. John David's family; Feb. 28: Sp. Julian Bednarek Sr.; March 7: Sp. Joanne Plaxa; March 14: for our Congregation; March 21: Sp. James Dean; March 28: Sp. John David's family.

**PNCC 2021 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 **2021: *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 2021 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.***

#### **JANUARY – DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN**

***Reflection and Action Item:*** Daniel was raised to high office by King Darius. His jealous rival tricks the King to decree that no prayers should be addressed to anyone but the King. Daniel continued to be steadfast in his prayer to God. Thus, he was thrown into the lion's den and as we know God protected and saved him because of his great faith. As Daniel said *"My God sent His angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in His sight."* (Daniel 6:22). This story teaches us that no one or nothing is a match for the True God and that God provides for those who are faithful and devoted to Him. So even in the midst of difficult and challenging times such as this ongoing pandemic – let us continue to put our faith and trust in God. Be steadfast in your **daily** prayer and encourage others to put their faith and trust in God, who will guide us through this storm. Do not lose heart but be strong in your faith and encourage others to do the same.