



St. John the Baptist Parish
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Fourth Sunday of Easter – Czwarta Niedziela Wielkanocna

April 25, 2021

Events for the week:

Sun., 4/25/21 – 10:00AM – Holy Mass for: for Sp. John David’s family, of. by Ms. Barbara David.

Mon., 4/26/21 – 8:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for all **Parishioners.**

Tue., 4/27/21 – 8:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention for: Father Edward Tomczyk

Fri., 4/30/21 – 8:00AM – Holy Mass & Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, intention for: Father Bogumil Czaja, his family & parishioners.

Sat., 5/1/21 – 8:45AM – Holy Mass & Litany to the BVM.

Next Sunday, May 2 – Holy Mass, intention: for Sp. Helen McDonough.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Gloria Dymkowski - Father Richard Wosiak - Helen Hopko - James Panco – Connie Sincavage – Carl Guzik –

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, invites each one of us to know and to follow Him more closely.

I Reading: Acts 4:8-12

II Reading: I John 3:1-2

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

Jesus said: ‘I am the Good Shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. ‘I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. ‘The Father loves Me, because I lay down My life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from Me; I lay it down of My own free will, and as it is in My power to lay it down, so it is in My power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by My Father.’

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.
- **June 17-19 – 4th Annual National YMSofR Bishop Bilinski Memorial Spiritual Retreat at Waymart, PA.**
- **September 25** – Craft vendors & Food Track festival.
- **November 12-13** – Central Diocesan Synod in Rome, NY.

Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Joseph Ross – Thomas Justen – Marjorie Dean. **H & R Center Tremont:** Dolores Halaburda (309); **Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA** – Marie Demnitski (223).

FUTURE MASS INTENTIONS: May 2 – Sp. Helen McDonough; May 9 – For all Mothers; May 16 – Sp. James Dean; May 23 – Sp. Dorothy Halaburda; May 30 – Sp. John David’s family; June 6 – Sp. James Dean; June 13 – Sp. Paul Elsavage; June 20 – all Fathers; June 27 – Sp. John David’s family.

THIS WEEK PRAYER: for Father Bogumil Czaja, his family, and parishioners of SS. Peter & Paul parish in South Milwaukee, WI and St. Francis Mission in McHenry, IL.

2021 MISSION & EVANGELISM VIRTUAL WORKSHOP "Discovering the P.N.C.C."

- 1) Friday, April 30, 2021 from 6:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m.
- 2) Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Saturday lunch break from 12:15 p.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Last year, the Annual Workshop was cancelled due to the pandemic. We hope to meet this year, even if it will be just a virtual meeting. We ask you to register yourself to receive the link to the meeting. Please email your request, including your name, parish name, and location.

The deadline for registration is **Monday, April 26, 2021**. Please email your request to: **Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky** at PBmikovsky@pncc.org or the **Very Rev. Jaroslaw Nowak** at Fr.J.Nowak@gmail.com

4th ANNUAL YMSofR SPIRITUAL RETREAT – for any questions, please contact Father Jason Soltysiak: frjason82@gmail.com or 216-978-6645. If anyone is interested, please send completed form and \$100.00 check per person by **Friday, June 11** to: Rev. Carmen Bolock, 200 Stephenson Street, Duryea, PA 18642. For the registration form, please ask the Pastor.

“How to Move On” – Ephesians 4:31-32 - “Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

April 30th – St. Joseph the Worker

In the Gospel Jesus was called “the Son of the carpenter”. This feast reminds us that honest work, no matter how seemingly menial, can be sanctified. Through work we can sanctify ourselves and others, making each of us participants in the work of redemption.

May 1st – Feast: Philip & James, Apostles

Like Peter and Andrew, St. Philip was from Bethsaida, in Galilee. According to the tradition, he was crucified at Hierapolis in Phrygia where he had preached the Gospel. He introduced St. Bartholomew (also known as Nathanael) to Christ. Christ declared to Philip, “Whoever has seen me has seen the Father...I am in the Father and the Father is in me”. (John 14:8,11). St. James was a cousin of our Lord. He is often called James the Less, because of Mark’s reference to him as “the younger James” (Mark 15:40). As Bishop of Jerusalem, he wrote one of the epistles of the New Testament. St. James was thrown down from the terrace of the Temple and then stoned to death.