



St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – “A”
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January 15, 2023
100th year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 1/15/23 – II Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for +James Dean, of. by wife, Marjorie.

- Removing Christmas decorations.

Wed., 1/18/22 – Feast – the Chair of St. Peter at Antioch – 9:00AM - Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

Fri., 1/20/22 – Weekday – 9:00AM - Holy Mass for health.

Next Sunday, Jan. 22: III Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass for all +Edmund & Marcia Hessert.

- First Holy Communion Catechism class.

The readings of today’s Eucharist speak of the way that the Lord calls believers to serve His purpose of spreading the good news.

I Reading: Isaiah 49:3,5-6

II Reading: I Corinthians I:I-3

GOSPEL: John I:29-34

Seeing Jesus coming towards Him, John said, ‘Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because He existed before me. I did not know Him myself, and yet it was to reveal Him to Israel that I came baptizing with water.’ John also declared, ‘I saw the Spirit coming down on Him from heaven like a dove and resting on Him. I did not know Him myself, but he who sent me to baptize with water had said to me, “The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptize with the Holy Spirit.” Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.’

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.
- **Feb. 22** – Ash Wednesday
- **March 5** – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, after the Mass.
- **Apr. 2** – Palm Sunday
- **Apr. 9** – Resurrection of the Lord Solemnity
- **June 11, 2023** – First Holy Communion Day.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for – Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski – Helen Hopko - James Panco – Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause. *H & R Center Tremont Pottsville, PA* – Dolores Halaburda; *Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA* – Marie Demnitski, Carl Guzik; *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen.

Upcoming Mass intentions: Jan. 22:
+Edmund & Marcia Hessert.

- **October 15, 2023, at 4:00PM Anniversary Holy Mass** – Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of organizing our parish; dinner will be in the Roman's restaurant, Frackville, PA.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY – **January 29, 2023** – Help support future musicians in the PNCC by giving generously to the Music Scholarship Fund. Give thanks for those that are currently using their talents serving the music ministry in our parishes. For more information on the scholarship program visit: www.nucmusicsscholarship.weebly.com Deadline for applying is **May 1, 2023**.

ATTENTION PLEASE! - An unexpected problem has occurred on our parish property. A hole has opened up in the back yard of the rectory right near the porch and the gate.

For safety concerns, please use only the front entrance to the rectory.

We have had multiple people look at the problem. All seem to feel the rectory structure is not in any danger at this time.

An engineer from the insurance company was on site today (Jan.5). He feels the hole is the result of an old cistern or well. According to this engineer, the hole is about 12 ft. in diameter and extends almost to the alley. It is anywhere from 15 – 17 ft. deep in spots. The water level in the hole is about 2 – 2 ½ ft. deep.

At this point, we are waiting for the insurance adjuster to contact us to see if this will be covered by insurance or not. It was the recommendation of the engineer to use either modified rock or flowable fill to fill this hole in.

If we use the modified rock to fill it in there will need to be further restoration. Pavements will need to be replaced as well as shrubs and fencing. This can be quite expensive.

To fill this hole it is going to take 3 – 4 triaxles of rock or 2 – 3 cement trucks of flowable fill.

The flowable fill can't be poured all at once. It has to be poured over a period of time. This problem needs to be handled whether we get insurance money or not.

More could cave in, someone could get hurt, or the rectory could be damaged if we don't correct this. Please keep your parish in your prayers. We will keep you updated on this development.

SNOW and ICE ALERT – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth.