"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field"	St. John the Baptist Parish         Polish National Catholic Church         414 West Oak Street, Frackville, PA 17931         Rectory phone: 570-874-1960         Email: robertb1@ptd.net         Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – "A"         Siedemnasta Niedziela Zwykła         July 30, 2023         100 <sup>th</sup> year of service
Events for the week:	The desire of God the Father is that we become "true images" of His Son so that He may share the treasures of the kingdom of heaven with each one of us.
Sun., 7/30/23 – XVII Sunday 10:00AM – 10:00AM – Holy Mass for +Helen Hopko, of. by Jim Gross & Amy Scheetz.	I Reading: I Kings 3:5, 7-12 II Reading: Romans 8:28-30 GOSPEL: Matthew I3:44-52 Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has
Mon., 7/31/23 - <i>Weekday</i> 9:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass for +Father Alojzy Rotta.	found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect
Wed., 8/2/23 – <i>Weekday</i> 9:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass for +Joseph Zaborowski. 6:30PM – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee.	the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. 'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'
Thu., 8/3/23 – Feast – Finding the Body of St. Stephen 9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners.	ANNOUNCEMENTS Special <u>Thanks</u> go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters. Our parish is looking for a person who will be responsible for: cleaning the church ( <u>including</u> : decorating the church for special events and seasons, washing altar clothes), beginning September I,
Fri., 8/4/23 – First Friday of the month	2023. For information, please contact Mrs. Ann Marie Wycheck.

<ul> <li>5:00PM – Holy Mass and SHofJ litany Next Sunday, August 6: Solemnity – Transfiguration of our Lord I0:00AM – Holy Mass for +John David's family.</li> <li>Confession.</li> <li>Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament &amp; litany.</li> <li>Collection for missions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hall for Rent is available\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.</li> <li>August 26 – Chicken Dinner; <i>Half of Chicken – Baked Potato – Vegetable – Roll – Butter;</i> <i>Price – \$10.00 – take out only – pick up: 2-4:00PM in church hall.</i> To order, please call: 570-874-0119 or 570-205-3111 by August 20, 2023     </li> <li>October 15, at 4:00PM Anniversary Holy Mass – Celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of organizing our parish; dinner will be in the Roman's restaurant, Frackville, PA.     </li> </ul>
Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Aug. 6: +John David's family; Aug. I3: +James Dean; Aug. 20: +Susan Berto-Bednarek. PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for - James Panco – Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause – Edward Jurewicz. H & R Center Tremont: Dolores Halaburda. Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA – Marie Demnitski. Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA – Thomas Justen.	"The curse of the Lord is on the house of the wicked, but the dwelling of the just He blesses; Those who scoff, He scoffs at, but the lowly He favors. The wise will possess glory, but fools will bear shame". (Proverbs 3:33-35)