

100th



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

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Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – “A”

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October 15, 2023

100th year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 10/15/23 – XXVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time – Heritage Sunday

4:00PM – 100th Anniversary Holy Mass celebrated by Prime Bishop Anthony A. Mikovsky with the invited Clergy.

Wed., 10/18/23 – Feast – St. Luke, Evangelist

8:30AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

6:00PM – Holy Rosary (*Joyful mysteries*) with the Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Next Sunday, October 22: XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention for: +John David’s family.

“Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life”, says the psalmist, “and I shall dwell in the Lord’s own house forever”. So it is that we come here today as honored guests of our heavenly Father.

I Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

II Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-10

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son’s wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. “Tell those who have been invited” he said “that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding.” But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, “The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding.” So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, “How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?” And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Oct. 22:

+John David's family; Nov. 5: +James Dean; Nov. 12: +John David's family; Nov. 26: +Bernard Halaburda Jr.; Dec. 3: +August & Anna Elsavage.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday best wishes are extended to: October 21 – Ann Marie Wycheck, Deborah Stetts.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you very much to our Parishioners who helped prepare for this anniversary: **Ann Marie Wycheck, Ronald Stabinsky, George Wycheck, Julian Bednarek, Janina Plichta, Victoria Plichta** and **Veronica Plichta** for cleaning and decorating the church and hall, **James Abicunas, Mary Ann Hoppes, John Golba** for copyright permission of the psalm, **Sandra Elsavage, Angela Elsavage** and **Daryl, Darlene Stabinsky, Lance Nelson, Elizabeth Greenman, Elaine Antalosky, Good Will Fire Company: Tony Melnick** (he got the guys from the fire company to come to help us), **Barbara David, John Davis.**

Thank you for monetary donations: Rev. & Mrs. James Konicki, John Plaxa, Chester & Flora Gursky, *Helen Hopko*, Joseph Studlick, Michael & Debra Pascavage, Mary Ann Pyzowski, Ann Skeath, Theresa Petrusky.

- Hall for Rent is available...\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES. With the upcoming holidays of All Saints and All Souls in the not-too-distant future, we remind our parishioners and friends, to please submit the names of their departed loved ones for remembrance during this holy season. All Soul's Day remembrance request envelopes are placed next to the bulletins. Please fill them out (please: **PRINT**) and return them to the Pastor as soon as possible. (Thank you).

ALL SOULS PRAYER SERVICE will be held on Sunday, October 29, 2023, after the Mass inside the church.

Today our Parish Community has reached a significant milestone as we are celebrating the **100th** years of service to our Lord.

I take this opportunity to welcome and thank His Excellency, **The Most Reverend Prime Bishop Anthony A. Mikovsky** for celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of Mass this afternoon and to **the Right Reverend Bernard J. Nowicki – Bishop Ordinary of the Central Diocese** for his presence and prayers. I also welcome our Plymouth Seniorate Administrative Senior – **Father Senior Lucian Urbaniak** and **Father Senior Thaddeus Dymkowski.**

A special note of appreciation is extended to all the Clergy who participated in our Holy Liturgy, and our Frackville Ministerium Ecumenical Guests. Thank you very much to those Parish Committee Members, and other Parishioners who were so involved to prepare our important event, thank you to our organist Mrs. Cindy Eickhoff, Choir Members, Lectors, Parishioners who decorated the church and restaurant for today's celebration.

May God bless you all.



“Whoever conceals hatred has lying lips, and whoever spreads slander is a fool. Where words are many, sin is not wanting; but those who restrain their lips do well”. (Proverbs 10:18-19)