

"The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone."

St. John the Baptist Parish
Polish National Catholic Church
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Fourth Sunday of Easter – "B"
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April 21, 2024
101st year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 4/21/24 – IV Sunday of Easter
10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention: for +John David's family, of. by Dennis & Marian Marhon.

Tue., 4/23/24 – *Easter Weekday*
9:00AM – Requiem Holy Mass, intention: for +Joseph & Aniela Plichta.

Thu., 4/25/24 – Feast - St. Mark, *Evangelist*
6:00PM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

Sat., 4/27/24 – *Easter Weekday*
11:00AM – Plymouth Seniorate Council meeting – Plymouth, PA.

Next Sunday, April 28: V Sunday of Easter

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. As we gather as His little flock, the Lord greets us with the incredible news that He has not only died for us: He has also risen in glory in order to bind us to himself for ever.

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: Organist, Mrs. Janina for cleaning and decorating the church, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

Upcoming events:

- June 2 – Corpus Christi Service & Procession after the Mass.

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention for:
+James Dean

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for: Jean Keim – Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause – Shawn Matz. *H & R Center Tremont*: Dolores Halaburda. *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen. *Shenandoah Manor* – Betty Brazausky (A-14).

Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Apr. 28: +James Dean; May 5: +Barbara Davis; May 12 – Mother's Day Mass; May 19: + John David's family.

- June 9 – First Holy Communion Day.
- June 12-15 – Men's Spiritual Retreat – Waymart, PA – Bp Hodur's Retreat Center.
- July 4-13 - KURS for the youth, age: 8-17 - Waymart, PA – Bp Hodur's Retreat Center (cost: \$350.00 for PNCC members).
- July 22-26 – Convo for the youth, age: 13 till young adults – Marcyhurst College in Erie, PA (cost: \$400.00).
- Aug. 26-28 – Clergy Retreat – St. Francis House – Easton, PA.

PLANNED FUNDRAISERS:

- June 5 - “Mr. sticky” sale – in cooperation with First United Methodist Church.
- **50/50** chances drawing: March 31, July 4, September 2.
- Chicken dinner – August 2024.
- Halushkie sale – September 2024.
- Pot pie sale – November 2024.

“Sticky Bun” Sale: for the benefit of the First United Methodist Church and St. John the Baptist PNCC:

Wednesday, June 5 – pick up from **9:00AM** until **3:00PM**; Singles are **\$5.00**, ½ Dozen are **\$25.00**. To order call: **570-205-3111** or **570-874-0119**. “Sticky’s” trailer will be at **Morgan’s Garage Third & West Oak Streets**. The “Sign up” list is available in the vestibule.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS – in case of your inability to come to church on any particular Sunday, please mail or submit your Sunday offerings and donations to our parish. Your church needs your financial support in order to pay utilities and expenses.

“Forgive your neighbor the wrong done to you; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Does anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord? Can one refuse mercy to a sinner like oneself, yet seek pardon for one’s own sins?” (Sirach 28:2-4)