



# Our Saviour

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August 23, 2015

## Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### A Sabbath Thought

Every time we gather to hear the Word and break the Bread, we are renewing *our* covenant with the Lord. In this celebration, we choose to follow *him* and not serve the gods of this world. To whom else shall we go? Only Jesus has the words of eternal life.

### About Today's Bible Readings:

#### JOSHUA 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

In a solemn ceremony, Joshua leads the Israelites in a pledge of faithfulness to the Lord: "Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of others gods."

#### PSALM 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

### R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

#### EPHESIANS 5:21-32

Here is a list of suggestions for unity and mutual respect within the family. Like the Christian church, the Christian family is modeled on Christ and his example of love.

#### JOHN 6:60-69

Impossible words call for an impossible response. When Jesus speaks truths hard to swallow, Peter acknowledges that only faith can accept these "words of eternal life."

### ENTRANCE RITE

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- V. Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful song.
- R. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, His courts with praise; Give thanks to Him; bless His Name.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### THE GOSPEL (JOHN 6:60-69)

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Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them, "Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

### This is the Gospel of the Lord

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## Worship Services

**TODAY – August 23, 2015**

**Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.

**SUNDAY – August 30, 2015**

**Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.

### Who Will You Serve?

Today we are challenged to make a choice, a choice that will define who and what we are. We are asked who we will follow, to whom will we pledge our fealty. This is not a matter to be taken lightly when it comes to the Lord. The Lord, Our God, has done great things for us and has blessed us a thousand times over. Who else can we follow? Who else can we turn to? Who else has the Words of eternal Life?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**My Brothers and Sisters:** Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health of Bishop Bernard Nowicki, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, John Rusnak, Walter Schilling, Kelly Ross, Berne Bloom, Makayla Watkins, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, John Cinkay, Bruce Sandt, Robert Paterson and Gerry Brunson; For the repose of the souls of James Kishler and Debra Smith:

**Our Father...**

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### *Today's Hymns*

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*Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!*

*The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Book.*

#### **Processional Hymn**

#1 - PNCC Hymn of Faith (Verses 1 & 4)

#### **Entrance Hymn**

#195 – Morning Hymn

#### **Hymn to the Holy Spirit**

#144 - Come Thou Creator (Verses 1 & 4)

#### **Offertory Hymn**

#226 – Fairest Lord Jesus

#### **Communion Hymn**

#224 – Amazing Grace

#### **Recessional Hymn**

#231 – The Church's One Foundation

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