

January 31, 2016

# A Sabbath Thought

As we approach the beginning of Lent, we sit at the feet of Jesus, disciples eager to learn. This Sunday's Lesson: Love your enemies.

### About Today's Bible Readings

# 1 SAMUEL 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

David, ancient hero of the people of God, stands as an emblem of the practical meaning of 'love of enemy'.

# Responsorial Psalm: 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

# R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

### **1 CORINTHIANS 15:45-49**

Because of Jesus, we now straddle two worlds: the earth that is our origin, and the kingdom that is our destination.

#### LUKE 6:27-38

In this sermon to his disciples, Jesus turns into Johnny-One-Note: "Love," he says, and again, "love." To make sure he gets his point across, he repeats the same message in other words.

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# Sexagesima – Pre-Lent

# **ENTRANCE RITE (ROMANS 12:20-21)**

- V. "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by doing so you will heap burning coals upon his head."
- R. Do not be conquered by evil but conquer evil with good.
- 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 (LUKE 6:27-38)

Jesus said to His disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for He Himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as also your Father is merciful. "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to vou."

# This is the Gospel of the Lord!

### **Worship Services**

TODAY – January 31<sup>st</sup>

#### Sexagesima – Pre-Lent

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

#### SUNDAY – February 7th

#### Quinquagesima – Pre-Lent

9:00 AM - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the Service.

#### **Music Scholarship Sunday**

The Polish National Catholic Church sets aside today as Music Scholarship Sunday. A special collection will be taken to fund scholarships for young people in our Church who exhibit musical skills and talent. Please be generous in your contributions for our youth is our future.

#### **Christian Unity Breakfast**

We will hold our Christian Unity Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall today, January 31, 2016 at 10:00 AM. Tickets are Adults \$10 and Children \$3. Please plan to join us for a hearty breakfast and Christian companionship. Please invite your friends and family.

#### Annual Parish Meeting

The annual parish congregation meeting will be held on Sunday, February 7, 2016 following the 9:00AM Deacon's Service of Worship. The key to success in any democratically oriented organization is in the participation of the membership. There is much important work to be done and your help is needed. Please, plan to attend, engage and to elect representatives to the various offices and positions in our parish for the upcoming terms. Our ancestors fought for this right when they founded the PNCC. Please respect it and honor it by attending and engaging.

#### **Blessing of Homes**

Please let Deacon Donald know if you would like to have your home blessed his year.

### INTENTIONS:

**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 Pat Seliga, Raymond Priester, Jeffrey Heagy, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, John Rusnak, Walter Schilling, Berne Bloom, Theresa Kishler, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, Dennis Wunderlich, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Bob Piechota and Dane Smith. **Our Father...** 

Today's Hymns

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# **SEXAGESIMA – PRE-LENT**

# 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 – Hymn Of Faith

# Entrance Hymn #110 – Cross Of Compassion

# Hymn to the Holy Spirit #144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn #161 – Who, O Lord, Would Not Love You

**Communion Hymn** #159 – Jesus, My Lord And Savior

> Recessional Hymn #195 – Morning Hymn