

June 26, 2016

A Sabbath Thought

Today's scriptures describe three qualities that must characterize those who follow Christ. The Lord's disciples must be *singleminded*, finding their peace only in Christ. They have been called to *freedom* that must blossom into service, not degenerate into license. Those who seek this faithful way of life will discover strong bonds of *unity* among themselves.

About Today's Bible Readings

1 KINGS 19:16, 19-21

Elijah the prophet recognizes a kindred spirit in Elisha and draws him from his daily routine to pursue a new vision.

Responsorial Psalm: 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GALATIANS 5:1, 13-18

Because Christ has won our freedom from sin, we must not allow ourselves to be enslaved again.

LUKE 9:51-62

No excuses, warned Jesus. He had 'set his face' toward Jerusalem and crucifixion, and he expected the same singlemindedness from his followers.

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE RITE – Romans 11:2b-3; Psalms 86:2-3

- V. Do you not know what the scripture says about Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? "Lord, they have killed Your prophets, they have torn down Your altars, and I alone am left, and they are seeking my life."
- R. Preserve my life, for I am loyal; save Your servant who trusts in You. You are my God; pity me, Lord; to You I call all the day.
- 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 9:51-62

When the days for Jesus' being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception there, but they would not welcome him because the destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they journeyed to another village.

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head."

And to another he said, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father." But he answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." To him Jesus said, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – June 26th 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM - Deacon's Service of Worship and Reception of The Holy Eucharist.

SUNDAY – July 3rd 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – *HOLY MASS*

Celebrated by the Most Rev. Anthony Mikovsky, Prime Bishop of the PNCC

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the Mass.

Rev. Mechowski Memorial

The memorial mass celebrating the life and honoring the service of Father Frederick Mechowki was held this Friday, the Very Rev. Edward Ratajack, Senior Priest of the Philadelphia Seniorate presiding. The mass was the Bishop Hodur Mass which is seldom seen these days. Father Senior Ed chose this rite because of its particularly beautifully worded Eucharistic Prayer which is so appropriate to a memorial mass for a departed priest. We were additionally blessed with the presence of the Most Rev. Anthony Mikovsky, Prime Bishop of the PNCC. I would like to thank everyone who attended. It was a wonderful tribute to Father Fred and to his years of service to God's people. I would also like to thank all of those who helped prepare the church and who helped with the reception afterwards.

Parish Committee Meeting

In accordance with past custom, the Parish Committee will not meet in July and August. Special meetings will be called should the need arise.

New Sidewalk Sign

Our new sidewalk sign has arrived and will be assembled and put into use as soon as a way of securing it against tampering is devised. This sign will give us greater flexibility in communicating our activities to the community. Our most grateful thanks to Bea and Stanley Sub whose generous donation made this possible.

MARRIAGE BANNS

This is the third and final publication of the marriage banns of Stephanie Helen Ewaskiewicz, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Christian Ewaskiewicz and Ian Joseph Baker, son of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Baker.

Wedding date July 3, 2016

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 Howard Friedman, Jules Nagy, Raymond Priester, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Victor McAlanis, Walter Schilling, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Chuck Shoemaker, Erica Franta, Anne Rossetti, Carol Parker and Henry Kudzik. For the repose of the soul of Jackie Kudzik. **Our Father...**

Today's Hymns

June 26, 2016 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books in the pews.

> Processional Hymn #1 – Hymn Of Faith

Entrance Hymn #195 – Morning Hymn

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

Offertory Hymn #156 – Let Us Sing Our Song Of Praise

> **Communion Hymn** #155 – Hallowed Be Forever

Recessional Hymn

#228 – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee