

February 5, 2017

#### A Sabbath Thought

We are Christians not for ourselves. Our baptism has deputized us as lights for the world. We are to be lamps along the dark paths of life, lighting the way to the kingdom.

#### About Today's Bible Readings

#### ISAIAH 58:7-10

Actions of love and deeds of service are like lights that illuminate the dark places of the world.

# PSALM 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

# R. The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.

#### 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5

Faith is not so much a matter of arguments that move the mind as it is the Spirit moving in our hearts.

#### **MATTHEW 5:13-16**

If we are light and salt, as Jesus says, then we must live in such a way that we illuminate the world around us and bring the flavor of hope to those who despair.

## Our Saviour Parish of the PNCC

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#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### ENTRANCE RITE: Isaiah 58:3a, 4

- V. "Why do we fast, and You do not see it? Afflict ourselves, and You take no note of it?"
- R. Yes, your fast ends in quarreling and fighting, striking with wicked claw. Would that today you might fast so as to make your voice heard on high!
- 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: MATTHEW 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples:

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned?

It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

You are the light of the world.

A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.

Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house.

Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

#### This is the Gospel of the Lord!

#### **Worship Services**

**TODAY Feb. 5**<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Intentions for the prosperity and growth of Our Saviour Parish Monthly Collection for the PNCC Mission Fund Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the Mass

SUNDAY Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> Septuagesima First Sunday of Pre-Lent 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

#### Annual Parish Meeting

The annual parish congregational meeting will be held today, February 5, 2017 following the 9:00 AM Mass. The key to success in any democratically oriented organization is in the participation of the membership. Our parish is facing difficult decisions and your thoughts and ideas on how to solve them are of the utmost importance. 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 make use of it by attending and participating. If you are unable to attend, then please, pray for those of us who will deliberate and debate the future of Our Saviour Parish.

#### Pre-Lent

The Liturgical Season of Pre-Lent, sometimes referred to as Shrovetide, begins next week as we celebrate Septuagesima Sunday. The PNCC continues to observe this season although other rites have abandoned it. It is marked by the use of Rose colored vestments and a period of merrymaking including Mardi Gras before the solemn observance of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday which falls on March 1<sup>st</sup> this year.

#### **Blessing of Homes**

Please let Father Don know if you would like to have your home blessed this 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 and wellbeing of Jules Nagy, Raymond Priester, Bob Rush, Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Erica Franta, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Ruth and Michael Pivovarnick, Tim Fischer, Bernice Biroscak, Douglas Lipton, Patrick Toner, Chris White, Frank Gonzales, Gary Graham, Jackie Bayak and Eric White. *Our Father...* 

# \*\*\* Saint Valentine's Day Breakfast \*\*\*

Sunday, February 19, 2017 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

#### Tickets are as follows: Adults = \$10.00 Children (under 12) \$3.00

Come and join us and bring your sweethearts as we enjoy good food and Christian love.

Today's Hymns

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord! The Hymns below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books.

> **Opening Hymn** #1 – Hymn Of Faith (Verses 1 & 4)

*Hymn to the Holy Spirit* #144 – Come, Thou Creator (Verses 1 & 4)

> **Offertory Hymn** #171 – Come, Love The Lord

Post Communion Hymn

#151 – O Ever Holy Sacrament

**Recessional Hymn** #178 – Jesus, Bless Your Faithful People