

Our Saviour Parish of the PNCC

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Thirty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time

A Sabbath Thought

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Christian living in full surrender to God's love may look like a risk but faith tells us that it is a sure thing. When it comes to discipleship, hedging our bets can be a dangerous practice.

About Today's Bible Readings

PROVERBS 31:10-13; 19-20; 30-31

An ancient description of the *worthy life* becomes for us a list of the qualities that should characterize *the worthy disciple*.

Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-6

Like the Thessalonians, we, too, await the coming of the Lord. Therefore, Paul's advice is still valid: Be awake and sober!

MATTHEW 25:14-30

Once again, Jesus uses a story to teach a point: Disciples are to waste neither time nor talent.

ENTRANCE RITE – Jeremiah 3:19

- V. I had thought: How I should like to treat you as sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful among the nations!
- R. You would call Me, "My Father," I thought, and never cease following Me.
- 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 25:14-30

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – Nov. 19th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM – HOLY MASS Intentions for the repose of the soul of Mark Mechowski offered by Ruth Mechowski.

SUNDAY – Nov. 26th Solemnity – Christ the King 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Thanksgiving Dinner

.I would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make our Thanksgiving Dinner a success. I would also like to thank all those who attended and supported our parish with donations to the raffle. There is no better way to celebrate God's blessings and to give Him thanks than to break bread as one, holy family, united in Christ Jesus.

Thanksgiving Generosity

And let's not forget about those individuals in our community who are less blessed than ourselves. If you are able to donate food, clothing, money or other items to help them as the holiday season begins, please do so. God Bless you all.

National Clergy Conference

The National Clergy Conference in Buffalo was a success and was well attended. Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky and the Diocesan Bishops brought the clergy of the PNCC up to date on various matters that are in the works or that will be affecting the church.

Prayers for Vocations

There are refrigerator magnets with a prayer for increased vocations on the table in the Narthex as well. Please take one or more and place them on your refrigerator or some other place where you will see it each day and when you do see it, recite the prayer so God might here and grant an increase in vocations to His Holy Church.

Oplatki / Christmas Wafers

The Oplatki Wafers are in! If you would like to purchase some for your Christmas Dinner Celebration, please see Peggy Kowalik.

AVON

The Ladies of the ANS are once again partnering with AVON to raise money for all of the good works they do for our parish. The new AVON Books are on the table in the Narthex. Please pick one up and see if there is anything you need or that would make a great Christmas gift for someone you love.

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, Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, Michael Havrilla, Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Ruth and Michael Pivovarnick, Bernice Biroscak, Patrick Toner, Frank Gonzales, Gary Graham, Jackie Bayak, Berne Bloom, Joan Mainzer, Bob Agans, Victor McAlanis, Tom Goff, June Didun, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Johnny Mularczyk, Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski and Andrew Czarnetski. For the repose of the soul of Mark Mechowski. **Our Father...**

Today's Hymns

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

<u>Please</u>, join with the Choir in making a joyous noise unto the Lord!

Silence is much worse than singing off key!

Processional Hymn #1 – Hymn Of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 - Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

#26 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Communion Hymn SOLO – Ruth Mechowski "When You Pray"

Recessional Hymn #151 – O Ever Holy Sacrament