

January 21, 2018

A Sabbath Thought

Alacrity of the heart was the quality of eager readiness that caused the people of Nineveh to repent and Jesus' chosen apostles to leave everything to follow him. We, too, seek that joyful assent to whatever God asks of us in our lives.

About Today's Bible Readings

JONAH 3:1-5, 10

Jonah teaches the Lord's call to repentance and the people of Nineveh respond immediately.

PSALM 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31

When he wrote these words, Paul believed the Lord's coming was imminent. Therefore, he urges detachment from this world as a preparation for the life to come.

MARK 1:14-20

Jesus takes over the mission and message of John the Baptist. Therefore He preaches repentance and He chooses disciples.

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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE RITE: Matthew 12:21, Acts 3:19-20a

- V. At the judgment, the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and there is something greater than Jonah here.
- R. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away, and that the Lord may grant you times of refreshment.
- 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: MARK 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY Jan. 21st 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS Intentions for the repose of the soul of Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski.

SUNDAY Jan. 28th Pre-Lent - Septuagesima 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski

It is with a most heavy heart that I inform you of the passing to life eternal of Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski, retired bishop of the Buffalo/Pittsburgh Diocese of the PNCC. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time but the Mass of Christian Burial will most likely take place on Friday, January 26th. I will be attending.

Parish Committee Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Parish Committee will be held today, following Holy Mass. Please pray for your committee members that they may make good and holy decisions to further God's will.

Annual Parish Meeting

The annual parish congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, February 4, 2018 following the 9:00 AM Mass. The key to success in any democratically oriented organization in the participation of the is membership. Our parish is facing financial difficulties 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.

Blessing of Homes

Please let Father Don know if you would like to have your home blessed during the season of Epiphany.

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, 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, Tom Goff, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, Teresa Vista Gumiran and Prime Bishop Emeritus John Swantek. For the repose of the soul of Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski. *Our Father...*

Christian Unity Breakfast

Our annual Christian Unity Breakfast will be held Sunday, January 28th, at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets will be:

ADULTS \$10.00 CHILDREN (under 12) \$3.00

I hope that everyone will be able to attend and that they will bring family, loved ones and friends for the good food and Christian Fellowship that we always enjoy at these events. Peggy Kowalik can be contacted for advance ticket sales.

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!

Opening Hymn

#1 – Hymn OF Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn #225 – Abide With Me

Post Communion Hymn

#229 – Just As I Am

Recessional Hymn #231 – The Church's One Foundation