



Our Saviour

Parish of the PNCC

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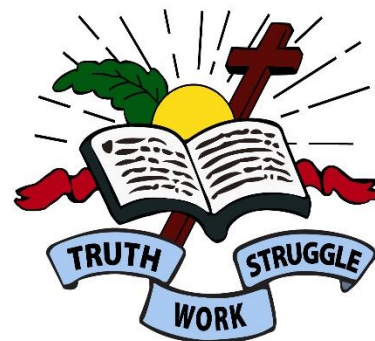
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Septuagesima Sunday

A Sabbath Thought

When we gather here as God's people in worship, we are not to be a closed circle that excludes certain people. Like our God, we must dwell in the warmth of love; we must act with the power of healing.

About Today's Bible Readings

LEVITICUS 13:1-2, 44-46

In land of ancient Israel, ritual regulations required the ostracism of those afflicted with the terrible disease of leprosy.

PSALM 32:1-2, 5, 11

R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:31-11:1

Paul is so secure in his close identification with Christ that he can invite others to imitate him.

MARK 1:40-45

Jesus offers a new solution to the problem of lepers. He does not ostracize them, he heals them.

ENTRANCE RITE: Luke 4:27; Psalm 41:5

V. There were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naman the Syrian.

R. Once I prayed, "Lord, have mercy on me; heal me, I have sinned against You.

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.

TRACT Matthew 8:2b (Recited in place of the Alleluia)

V. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of eternal glory!

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of eternal glory!

V. Lord, if You wish, You can make me clean.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of eternal glory!

THE GOSPEL: Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean."

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him,

"I do will it. Be made clean."

The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything,

but go, show yourself to the priest

and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them."

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter.

He spread the report abroad

so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.

He remained outside in deserted places,

and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY Jan. 28th

**Septuagesima Sunday
First Sunday of Pre-Lent**

9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY Feb. 4th

**Sexagesima Sunday
Second Sunday of Pre-Lent**

9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

**Adoration of the Most Blessed
Sacrament following Mass.**

Annual Parish Meeting

The annual parish congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, February 4, 2018 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 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.

Pre-Lent

The Liturgical Season of Pre-Lent, sometimes referred to as Shrovetide, begins today 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 February 14th this year.

Blessing of Homes

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

Music Scholarship Sunday

Today is Music Scholarship Sunday. A second Collection will be taken at the door as you exit the Church. Please help the young musicians of our Church to further their studies and hone their skills. May God bless your generosity and good will.

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, George Jugan and Prime Bishop Emeritus John Swantek. For the repose of the souls of Bishop Thaddeus Peplowski and Charles Temple. **Our Father...**

Christian Unity Breakfast

Our annual Christian Unity Breakfast will be held today, 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

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

#221 – Turn Your Eyes To Jesus

Post Communion Hymn

#229 – Just As I Am, Without One Plea

Recessional Hymn

#151 – O Ever Holy Sacrament