

September 16, 2018

A Sabbath Thought

The world defines an *important person* as one with power, wealth and fame. Christ offers us another way: let go of the self as our central reality so that we can follow him into a new life.

About Today's Bible Readings

ISAIAH 50:4c-9a

Even in the face of the world's harsh rejection, God's servant trusts the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

JAMES 2:14-18

Faith must not only be professed; it must also be practiced. We do that by attending to the needs of others.

MARK 8:27-35

The messiah does not seek worldly power; he desires only to obey God's will. We are to follow Christ's example by letting go of self-centeredness.

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Twenty Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE RITE – Matthew 16:21; Peter 2:21

- V. From that time on, Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.
- R. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example that you should follow in His footsteps.
- 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 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him.

He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – Sept. 16th 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Intentions for the health and wellbeing of William Biroscak.

SUNDAY – Sept. 23th 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Intentions for the departed members of Sponjia.

Intentions for the remembrance of the 54th Wedding Anniversary of Ruth Mechowski and our beloved, departed Pastor Father Frederick Mechowski and the 58th anniversary of his ordination.

SATURDAY – Sept. 29th (PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY)

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Intentions for the Delegates of the XXV General Synod of the Polish National Catholic Church.

Sponjia Sunday

On Sunday, September 23rd, 2018 as the PNCC celebrates Sponjia Sunday – let us always remember to support the efforts of our sister organization as the PNU continues to support the members, clergy and parishes of the PNCC. For more information on the Polish National Union please contact your PNU Branch Secretary, visit the web site www.pnu.org, or call the PNU Home Office at 800-724-6352.

General Synod

The XXVV General Synod of the Polish National Catholic Church will be held October 1st to October 3rd this year at the Our Lady of the Snows Retreat Center in Belleville, Illinois. Please pray for all of the Synod delegates;

Heavenly Father, Grant us Your grace and blessing, as we prepare to gather together in Holy Synod to seek the Lord Jesus through Your Holy Church. Send Your Holy Spirit upon our Holy Church, that we may be guided by Your Holy Will. Strengthen our bishops, clergy and laity who will gather so that their decisions at Holy Synod may help lead others to Your Son Jesus Christ. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen

"Saturday Mass"

Please note that there will be **NO MASS** on Sunday, September 30th. Mass will be held that week on Saturday, September 29th at 9:00AM instead. This is being done with the consent of Bishop Nowicki in order to facilitate my travel to the Synod and to reduce the cost of the airfare. Apologies in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

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 Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Ruth Pivovarnick, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Patrick Toner, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Father Senior Gregory Mludzik, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Father Senior Ed Ratajack, Tom Goff and Anni Greif. **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

#263 – Mother Most Gracious

Communion Hymn

#113 – When I Survey The Wond'rous Cross

Recessional Hymn

#26 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence