Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said,

"If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all."



September 23, 2018

A Sabbath Thought

Those who follow Jesus are to be humble, hospitable people. No one is to be spurned, no one is to be refused because everyone is in Jesus.

About Today's Bible Readings

WISDOM 2:12, 17-20

Just persons are sitting targets. In a cynical world, they draw the anger of those who cannot bear goodness.

Responsorial Psalm: 54:3-4, 5, 6 AND 8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

JAMES 3:16 - 4:3

The restlessness of the human spirit is our undoing. Our cravings drive us crazy. Only peace *within* us can bring peace *around* us.

MARK 9:30-37

Ranking comes naturally to us because we want to know where we stand. But Jesus advises us to take our stand in humble service, not in arrogant authority.

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Twenty Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE RITE – Jeremiah 12:19a-, 20

- V. Yet I, like a trusting lamb led to slaughter, had not realized that they were hatching plots against me.
- R. But, You, O Lord of hosts, O just Judge, searcher of mind and heart, Let me witness the vengeance You take on them, for to You I have entrusted my cause!
- 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 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – 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

As the PNCC celebrates Sponjia Sunday today – 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. Information on their Education Raffle and tickets are on the table in the Narthex. 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.

"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.

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, for safe travel and for a holy and productive Synod.

BOOK DRIVE!

Our ongoing book drive has proven to be quite successful. So much so that we are in need of more books! Please bring in any books that you may have that you are finished with and we will find good new homes for them.

Christian Family Breakfast

Sunday, October 7th will be our Christian Family Breakfast. I hope that everyone will encourage all of their family members to attend both the breakfast and the Mass preceding it. Tickets will be:

AULTS - \$10.00 CHILDREN (under 12) - \$3.00 I hope to see everyone there for good food and Christian Fellowship.

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, Michael and 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

#114 - Forty Days And Forty Nights

Communion Hymn SOLO – Ruth Mechowski

When You Pray

Recessional Hymn

#223 – Sweet Hour OF Prayer