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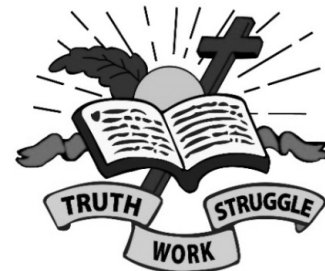
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August 25, 2019

21st Ordinary Sunday

FAITH SHARING

As he continues his fateful journey to Jerusalem, Jesus answers the question as to how many will be saved by answering how to enter into salvation and how urgent it is to strive now, before the Master closes the door. Instead of asking how many will be saved, Jesus wants us to ask the question, "Am I prepared to be saved, choosing the narrow gate of sacrificial love?"

BIBLE READINGS

IS 66:18-21

Isaiah's prophecy speaks to the future Babylonian exiles returning to Jerusalem after 47 years in captivity, telling them that salvation is not a Jewish monopoly and that is why Yahweh will welcome the pagans also into Judaism.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

HEB 12:5-7, 11-13

St. Paul explains that "the narrow gate" of Jesus means our accepting pain and suffering as the loving discipline God is giving His children.

LK 13:22-30

Jesus clearly explains that anyone who follows him through the narrow gate of sacrificial service and sharing love will be saved. Jesus also admonishes his followers to concentrate on their own salvation by self-discipline rather than to worry about the salvation of others.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Psalm 65:2-3,4-5)

V. To You we owe our hymn of praise, O God on Zion; To You our vows must be fulfilled, You Who hear our prayers. To You all flesh must come with its burden of wicked deeds.

R. We are overcome by our sins; only You can pardon them. Happy the chosen ones You bring to dwell in Your courts. May we be filled with the good things of Your house, the blessings of Your holy temple!

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.

Gospel

LK 13:22-30

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

R. Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?"

He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.

After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.'

He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from.'

And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.'

Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!'

And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out.

And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NON-CATHOLIC VS. CATHOLIC TEACHING ON SALVATION

The Non-Catholic doctrine on salvation: Once saved, you are always saved, in spite of your future sins and even apostasy. We are saved by the shed blood of Jesus when as teenager or adult we accept Jesus as Lord and Savior, confess our sins and say the "Sinner's Prayer." asking God's pardon and forgiveness for sins.

Catholic teaching: Salvation is a past, present and future event. We were saved when we were baptized as children or adults. We are being saved at present, when we cooperate with God's grace by loving others as Jesus did — by sharing our blessings with the needy and by getting reconciled with God daily, asking His forgiveness for our sins. We will be eternally saved when we hear the loving invitation from Jesus, the Judge, at the moment of our death and on the day of the Last Judgment, saying: "Good and faithful servant, you were faithful in little things, enter into the joy of your Master."

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn

#1 – Hymn Of Faith (verses 1 & 4)

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

#195 Morning hymn

Communion Hymn

#178 – Jesus, Bless Your Faithful
People

Recessional Hymn

#223 – Amazing Grace

WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday, August 24

21st Ordinary Sunday

5:30 PM – Holy Mass

Saturday, August 31

22nd Ordinary Sunday

5:30 PM – Holy Mass

Saturday, September 7

23rd Ordinary Sunday

5:30 PM – Holy Mass

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Our email has been changed to
pastor@oursaviorpncc.org

PASTOR'S

DIRECT PHONE NUMBER

In case of all regular Parish issues please call Fr. Mariusz at 215-535-4978. This number is always linked to pastor's cell phone, so in case of real emergency please also use this number.

PASTOR'S ADDRESS

Fr. Mariusz lives at
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2330 Margaret St.
Philadelphia, PA 19137

BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz. Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

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, Bill and Bernice Biroszak, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, Milton Keiles, Claire Armstrong, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, James Stenz, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Dorothy Zytczk. Jan Cherneski.

For the repose of the soul of Irene Jugan, Joseph Sub.

Our Father...

INTENTION FOR THE HOLY MASS TODAY:

For all Parishioners.

ST. VALENTINE'S PNCC PARISH PICNIC

St. Valentine's Parish, Philadelphia, invites for the Annual Parish Picnic.

Sunday, September 15, 2019

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass, 1:00 PM – Picnic

St. Valentine's Cemetery & Pulaski Park, 875 Mill Rd, Bensalem, PA 19020

Delicious Polish Food, golabki, pierogi, kielbasa etc. Raffle tickets available.

Thank you in advance for your generosity, cooperation and support.

THE NARROW GATE OF GREAT MUSICIAN

Someone once said to Ignacy Paderewski, the great Polish pianist, "Sir, you are a genius." He replied, "Madam, before I was a genius, I was a drudge." He continued: "If I missed practice one day, I noticed it; if I missed practice two days, the critics noticed it; if I missed three days, my family noticed it; if I missed four days, my audience noticed it.

The door is narrow. Why should we think we can "drift" into the Kingdom of God? The Christian life is a constant striving to do the will of God as Jesus revealed it. We need to strive because there are forces of evil within us and around us, trying to pull us down.



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date Requested _____ Time _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Amount \$ _____

Please mail this form and Mass stipend to: St. Valentine's PNCC, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137 or call parish office at (215) 535-4978.