

# Our Saviour Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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## 16<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday

#### **FAITH SHARING**

Today's readings tell us about a very patient and compassionate God Who is hopeful that the so-called "weeds" among us will be converted. They warn us that we should not be in a hurry to eliminate such elements from the Church or society or the family based on unwarranted and hasty judgment.

#### BIBLE READINGS WIS 12:13, 16-19

The first reading from the Book of Wisdom shows us a merciful and patient God, rather than the disciplining and punishing God presented in the book of Genesis.

#### Responsorial Psalm R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

#### ROM 8:26-27

The second reading from Romans reminds us that the Spirit of God constantly empowers us in our prayers and in our weakness. So, we should be patient with ourselves and with others.

#### MT 13:24-43

Jesus presents a wise and patient God who allows the good and the evil to coexist in the world and blesses the evil ones for the little good they may have done, so that they may come to conversion before their time ends.

God awaits repentant sinners, giving them the strength and good will to get reconciled with Him. God calmly recognizes that there is evil in the world, but He sees that evil is no excuse for the good people not to do good with the power of God at their disposal. Through the parable of the wheat and the weeds in today's Gospel, Jesus calls us to be patient with those who fail to meet the high ethical standard expected of a Christian.

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN** (Psalm 86:5-6)

V. Lord, You are kind and forgiving, most loving to all who call on You.

R. Lord, hear my prayer; listen to my cry for help.

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** MT 13:24-43

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.""

He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches."

He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened."

All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world. Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one,

and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers.

They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### **ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

### Today's Hymns

**Processional Hymn** #1 Hymn of Faith

**Hymn to the Holy Spirit** #144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn # 195 Morning Hymn

**Communion Hymn**# 221 Turn Your Eyes to Jesus

**Recessional Hymn** #225 Abide With Me

#### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

Sunday, August 2
18 Sunday in Ordinary Time
12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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#### **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, Bernice Muha, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Jan Cherneski, Sally Bisch, Stan Sub, Ruth Mechowski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski.

For the repose of the soul of all our parishioners who passed away.

Our Father...

#### **CHURCH IS RE-OPEN**



Our church is now re-open for public liturgy. However, all Masses and funerals will be still limited to some low number of people. There is a lot of room for us in our pews for the required social distance. Face masks are still required. No singing is allowed, no handshake and no socializing before and after Mass in front of the church, inside and in the church hall. No books and booklets will be available, neither the bulletin will be distributed. Please print the bulletin at home and bring it with you if you wish. All pews, doors must be sanitized after each Mass.

Receiving of the Holy Communion is optional. We will be still practicing the Spiritual Receiving of the Holy Communion. However, if you wish to receive it sacramentally it is available now with all sort of precautions and safety regulations, such as sanitizing hands by priest between recipients and keeping 6 ft of social distance.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

07/12/2020

Below are the dates available for Masses at Our Saviour. Please use the form to request the Mass.

07/19/2020	For health for Theresa McDonnell – requested by Nancy Eaton
07/26/2020	OPEN
08/02/2020	OPEN
08/09/2020	NO MASS (but only if cannot find a replacement priest)
08/16, 2020	† Irina Kurbat (Birthday) – requested by daughters

For health for Victoria Aristova

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