

## Our Saviour Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church

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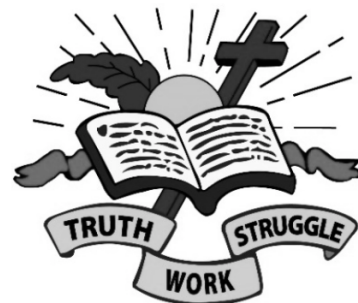
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April 3, 2022

## 5 Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

### FAITH SHARING

Reminding us of God's readiness to forgive sin, give the sinner a second chance, bind up broken lives, and restore people to His friendship, today's readings challenge us to show the same mercy to the sinners around us and to live as forgiven people, actively seeking reconciliation with God and one another. The central theme of all three readings is a merciful God's steadfast love. The readings remind us that we should not be self-righteous and condemn the lives of others when God is calling them tenderly to conversion.

Explaining how a merciful God forgives the sins of His chosen people and leads them back from the Babylonian exile, the first reading reminds us that we too are forgiven, and we are saved from our own sinfulness.

In the second reading, Paul presents himself as a forgiven sinner who has been completely transformed by his Faith in Christ Jesus.

The sinful woman's story of sin committed, and sin forgiven in today's Gospel, shows the mercy and compassion Jesus offers to repentant sinners. In addition, by making sinlessness the condition for throwing the first stone, Jesus forces the accusers to assess their own souls and to leave. Thus, He grants justice to the accusers and mercy to the sinful woman. In our own lives, we bear witness to the Justice of God by confessing our sinfulness and resolving to avoid sin, and we bear witness to God's Mercy by accepting the forgiveness of our sins and promising to forgive those who have offended us.

### Responsorial Psalm

**R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

### ENTRANCE HYMN (2 Corinthians 5:17-18)

V. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

**R. And all this is from God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.**

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

JN 8:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?"

They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger.

But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them,

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders.

So he was left alone with the woman before him.

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir."

Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

The Gospel of the Lord.



**Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them  
and protect them.**

**We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength, and wisdom  
to guide their choices.**

**We pray for the world  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.**

**May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality  
for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.**

## Today's Hymns

### Processional Hymn

001 Hymn of Faith

### Hymn to the Holy Spirit

144 Come, Thou Creator

### Offertory Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

### Communion Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast

### Recessional Hymn

Glory, Laud and Praise

### SECOND COLLECTION:

- 4/3 – For the Mission Fund  
5/1 – For the Mission Fund  
6/5 – For the Mission Fund  
6/19 – Father's Day – For the Clergy Pension Fund  
7/3 – For the Mission Fund  
8/7 – For the Mission Fund

### WORSHIP SERVICES

#### Sunday, April 3

Passion Sunday

#### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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#### Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday

#### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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#### Friday, April 15

Good Friday

#### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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#### Saturday, April 16

Holy Saturday

#### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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#### Sunday, April 17

Solemnity – Resurrection of Our Lord

#### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, 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, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Tom Goff, Donald Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Jan Cherneski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Michal Mularczyk, Jane Aldorshoff, Elizabeth McAlanis

### 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. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

### SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

There will be a special Parish meeting on Sunday, April 3, 2022 after Mass to discuss clergy salary.

### ALMSGIVING – OUR LENTEN OBLIGATION

We used to gather food and clothing as our Lenten Alms for the poor. It's time already to return to this beautiful parish tradition. As Christians we are obliged to help. Therefore, let us start collecting nonperishable food to support those who find themselves less blessed than ourselves. Remember that Christ said, "Whatever you do for the least one of my brothers, you do it for Me."

### STATIONS

Please remember about Stations of the Cross on each Friday during Lent. You can find many of them online: text or video. Stations are very helpful to understand God's plan of salvation.

### 2022 Easter Schedule at Our Saviour PNCC – Lawrenceville, NJ

- April 10 – Palm Sunday / Niedziela Palmowa  
12:00 Noon – Holy Mass with blessing of palms
- April 14 – Maundy Thursday/ Wielki Czwartek  
There is no Mass at Our Saviour on Maundy Thursday
- April 15 – Good Friday / Wielki Piątek  
12:00 Noon – Liturgy of our Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion, the symbolic Entombment
- April 16 – Holy Saturday / Wielka Sobota  
2:00 PM - Blessing of Easter Baskets  
2:30 PM – Easter Vigil Liturgy, Mass with Blessing of Fire, Paschal Candle and Baptismal Water
- April 17 – Easter Sunday / Wielkanoc  
12:00 Noon – Resurrection Mass

### 2022 Easter Schedule at St. Valentine's PNCC – Philadelphia, PA

- April 10 – Palm Sunday / Niedziela Palmowa  
9:30 AM – Holy Mass with blessing of palms
- April 14 – Maundy Thursday/ Wielki Czwartek  
7:00 PM – The Lord's Supper Mass, The Institution of the Eucharist and Priesthood
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