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August 21, 2022

21st Ordinary Sunday

FAITH SHARING

Jesus responds to the question asking how many will be saved by answering how one is to enter into salvation and how urgent it is that one strives now, before the Master closes the door. Instead of asking how many will be saved, Jesus wants us to ask ourselves, "Am I prepared to be saved, choosing the narrow gate of sacrificial agape love and so loving others as Jesus loves them?"

In the first reading, Isaiah's prophecy speaks to the Babylonian exiles returning to Jerusalem after 47 years in captivity, especially to the younger members with their pagan wives, telling them that salvation is not a Jewish monopoly and that is why Yahweh welcomes the pagans also into Judaism. The prophet's great book ends as it began, with a vision of all the peoples of the world streaming toward Jerusalem, acknowledging and praising the God of Israel.

In the second reading, exploring with his readers the consequences of Christian commitment, St. Paul explains that "the narrow gate" of Jesus means our accepting pain and suffering as the loving discipline God is giving His children.

In today's Gospel, 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.

Responsorial Psalm

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

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.'

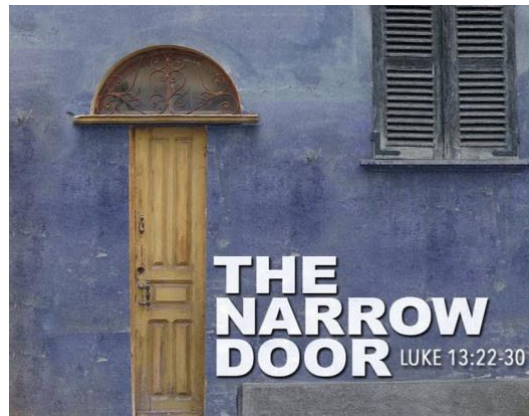
And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.'

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.



Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn

001 Hymn of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

110 Cross of Compassion

Communion Hymn

166 Glory, Laud and Praise

Recessional Hymn

225 Abide With Me

SECOND COLLECTION:

8/28 – For the Youth Fund

9/4 – For the Mission Fund

9/11 – For Spojnia

(Bp. Hodur Retreat Center)

10/2 – For the Mission Fund

10/16 – Outreach to Poland

11/6 – For the Mission Fund

12/4 – For the Mission Fund

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, August 21

21 Ordinary Sunday

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, August 28

22 Ordinary Sunday

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, September 4

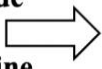
23 Ordinary Sunday

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, Jane Aldorshoff, Elizabeth McAlanis, Dolores McGlone, Marianna Pelka.

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.

POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH 125TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

The XXVI General Synod will convene at the Hilton Hotel and Conference Center on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. The synod concludes on Friday, October 21, 2022.

On **Saturday, October 22, 2022** at The Hilton Hotel and Conference Center, the celebration marking the 125th Anniversary of our Church will be held.

The details are as follows:

- Holy Mass will be celebrated at St. Stanislaus Cathedral in Scranton, PA at 11:00 am. The banquet will follow at the Hilton Hotel and Conference Center, 100 Adams Avenue, Scranton, PA 18503.
- The banquet is being scheduled from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm beginning with a cash bar cocktail hour from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm.
- Dinner choices are the following: (1) Bourbon Glazed Pork, (2) Hickory Smoked Prime-Rib, and (3) Portabella Mushroom Ravioli with Grilled Vegetables.
- Reservations are \$60 per person. Please make checks payable to *Central Diocese of the PNCC*. Send payment along with each person's name and meal selection to: Carol Mikovsky, 115 Lake Scranton Rd., Scranton, Pa 18505.
- No tickets will be issued. Everyone will be guided to their specific table.
- Please RSVP no later than **October 8, 2022**
- Parking is available across the street from the hotel for \$5.00 for this event.

PASTOR ON CLERGY RETREAT AND CLERGY CONFERENCE

Fr. Mariusz will be away for Clergy Retreat and Clergy Conference on August 22-24, 2022. Parish Office will be closed on these days. In case of emergency please call office number which is automatically redirected to his cell phone or contact any member of our Parish Committee.



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date requested _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Mass stipend \$ _____

Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to **Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137**