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## 2 Ordinary Sunday

### FAITH SHARING

The central theme of today's readings is a challenge to live like the Lamb of God and to die like the Lamb of God and thus bear witness to Christ the "Lamb of God." We have to choose to accept John's testimony in today's Gospel as God's personal and corporate call to us to become witnesses to the Lamb of God.

In both the first and second readings, God calls individuals to His service entrusting them with a mission.

The first reading is from the "*Songs of the Suffering Servant*" in Isaiah, where the prophet was chosen by God from his mother's womb and consecrated to be a "light to the nations." Here, aspects of Jesus' own life, as sacrificial lamb, and mission, as salvation of the world, are foreshadowed.

In the second reading, Paul reminds the Corinthian Christians that they, like all who call on the name of Jesus, are "sanctified and called to be holy." They are called by God and consecrated in Christ Jesus for a life of holiness and service. As believers, we too have been called by God to become members of Christ's Body by our Baptism, and we are consecrated in Christ Jesus for a life of holiness and service.

The Gospel passage presents three themes, namely, the witness John the Baptist bears to Jesus, the revelation (epiphany) and identification of Jesus as the "Lamb of God," and the call to discipleship.

### Responsorial Psalm

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

### ENTRANCE HYMN (Isaiah 42:1)

V. Here is My Servant Whom I uphold, My chosen One with Whom I am pleased,

**R. Upon Whom I have put My Spirit; He shall bring forth justice to the nations.**

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.**

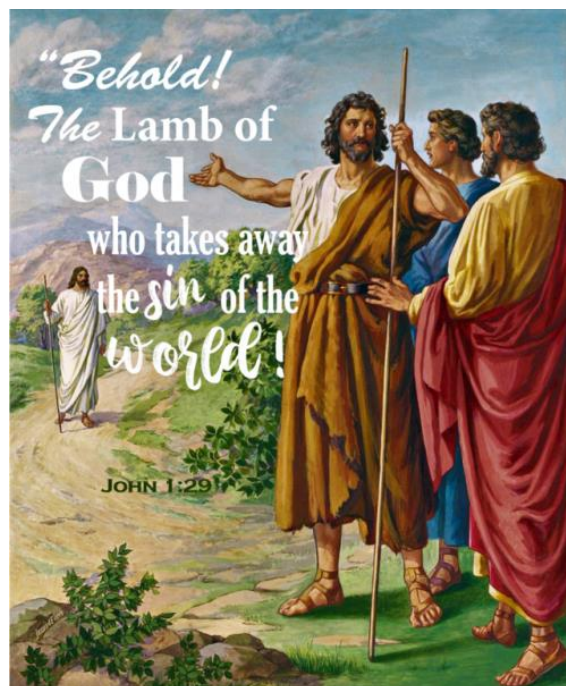
### Gospel

JN 1:29-34

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel." John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.



## Today's Hymns

### Processional Hymn

001 Hymn of Faith

### Hymn to the Holy Spirit

144 Come, Thou Creator

### Offertory Hymn

178 Jesus Bless Your Faithful People

### Communion Hymn

110 Cross of Compassion

### Recessional Hymn

225 Abide With Me

## WORSHIP SERVICES

### Sunday, January 15

2 Ordinary Sunday

### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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### Sunday, January 22

3 Ordinary Sunday

### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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### Sunday, January 29

4 Ordinary Sunday

### 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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## SECOND COLLECTIONS IN 2023

1/29 - Music Scholarship Sunday - For the Music Scholarship Fund

2/5 - For the Mission Fund

3/5 - For the Mission Fund

3/12 - Institution of the PNCC - For the National Church Center

4/2 - For the Mission Fund

5/7 - For the Mission Fund

6/4 - For the Mission Fund

6/18 - Father's Day – For the Clergy Pension Fund

7/2 - For the Mission Fund

8/6 - For the Mission Fund

8/27 - Youth Sunday – For the Youth Fund

9/3 - For the Mission Fund

9/10 - Solemnity – Brotherly Love – For the Bp. Hodur Retreat Center

10/1 - For the Mission Fund

10/15 - Heritage Sunday – Outreach to Poland Collection

11/5 - For the Mission Fund

12/3 - For the Mission Fund

12/31 - Solemnity- Humble Shepherds – Seminary Fund

1/7 - For the Mission Fund

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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 Besterici, 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

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home.

## 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.

## HELP NEEDED THIS SUNDAY

Please help us today after Mass to remove the Christmas decorations.



## IT IS TIME TO PAY CHURCH DUES

Please consider in your yearly home budget to pay the Church's dues which we are obliged to pay yearly as the members of the Polish National Catholic Church.

**\$100** for the General Church (this portion goes to Prime Bishop's Office in Scranton)

**\$25** for the Central Diocese (this is sent to Diocese Office in Scranton)

**Any extra amount** stays in our parish account.

Only members with dues paid up to date have the right to vote and decide about the parish, to serve as officers of the Parish Committee, in the diocesan and PNCC committees, commissions and organizations, to be elected as delegates to the General, Diocese, or Special Synods, and to be buried at the PNCC cemetery with the special discounts.

**Please make the check payable to Our Saviour PNCC.**

If you are unable to pay your Church dues at once, you can pay it in half-year, quarterly or monthly installments. Please let us know which form of payment is more suitable to you and mark it in the memo of your check.

Your weekly Sunday offerings or other offerings mailed to us occasionally are not considered as the Church dues.

## PALMS

If you still have the palms from the last year Palm Sunday, please bring them to the church. They will be burned, and we will make from them the ashes for the Ash Wednesday.

