# 26th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday- September 25, 2016 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time 9:30– High Mass

-Following Mass: Pulaski day preparation meeting and Fellowship Hour at the Parish Hall with refreshments provided

Sunday – October 2, 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday / Pulaski Day Parade 9:30 – Holy Mass at our Church

 Pulaski Day Parade – we will represent our Church and our Parish, let us join together and participate.

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# Bible Readings for 26<sup>h</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time year C 1<sup>st</sup> reading from the Book of Prophet Amos 6:1A, 4-7 Responsorial Psalm 146

#### R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Blessed he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

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The LORD gives sight to the blind. The LORD raises up those who were bowed down; the LORD loves the just. The LORD protects strangers.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: the 1<sup>st</sup> Letter to Timothy 6: 11-16

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ that the blessed and only ruler will make manifest at the proper time, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, and whom no human being has seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

<u>Alleluia verse:</u> Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. 2 *Corinthians 8:9* 

# **Holy Gospel according to St Luke 16:19-31**

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he

was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.""

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<u>PARISH BLESSINGS</u> and <u>GRATITUDE</u> We are grateful to everyone who gives Time, Talents and Treasure of your prayer and donations. GODS BLESSINGS to all, for your FAITH and labor of LOVE in taking care, repairing and restoring out Parish Church! In the last year and a half, together have done a tremendous amount of work:

New Church roof; fixed ceiling and Church interior, repaired and painted Church interior and outside windows, repaired Church entrance bulletin board, fixed Parish Hall roof, repainted Parish Hall entrance and bathroom, repainted Parish Hall, fixed roof over rectory, repaired and painted rectory interior, new fence at the cemetery, landscaping at the Cemetery and Pulaski Park, repaired caretaker house at the Cemetery, repaired heating pump and furnace at the Parish Hall, new professional zero turn grass cutting mower, new 6ft wide pull behind tractor mower, Fellowship dinners, brunches, cook outs, bake sales, etc, etc... *May God bless you all for your wonderful work!!!* 

# **PRAYER CIRCLE AND HOLY MASS INTENTIONS**

Let us remember in our personal prayers about our sick and older parishioners and friends. If you would like to have special intentions mentioned during Mass or you would like Holy Mass celebrated for your intention, please let Father know.

ATTEND HOLY MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS PARTICIPATE IN LIFE OF YOUR CHURCH AND WORSHIP DAILY

Liturgy is "the participation of the People of God in 'the work of God'"; it is the "exercise of the priestly office of Jesus" in which God is worshiped and adored and people are made holy. God begins the work of sanctifying people in time and space and brings that work to completion. Those who respond to God in worship and in service are given the privilege of becoming co-workers in the divine plan. Please come and join us as Community of faith for Sunday Holy Mass weekly! Feel always welcomed and at home in our Church!

Our Church is a home for all believers, from all ethnic and national backgrounds. We are one family of Jesus Christ, come and join us! For those with gluten allergy Gluten free Communion is available

<u>CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN</u> Catechism Classes for children are scheduled after Holy Mass on Sunday please bring your children and notify Fr. Andrew. We are planning First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year.

<u>PARISH PICNIC</u> We are grateful to the Lord and thankful to all who prepared and attended our Parish picnic. Thank you and God bless you!

#### PARISH CALENDAR

Polish Language Mass – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month.

<u>PULASKI DAY PARADE</u> Let us gather as a Parish Family together with parishioners from Lawrenceville/Trenton at our Parish Hall for the Annual Pulaski Day Parade. Proudly share our Polish/Slavic American heritage. Bus will be provided and take us and back from the Museum of Art. Please join us!

Collection Aug. 18, 2016	\$124.00
Picnic	
Main Raffle	\$692.00
Donations	140.00
Food	496.00
Building repair	100.00

## RAFFLE WILL BE PICKED TODAY 9/25/2016

## Prayer over the people.

Lord, come, live in your people and strengthen them by your grace. Help them to remain close to you in prayer and give them a true love for one another. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." Gospel St Mark 8:35

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