LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 15, 2017 – 28^{th} Ordinary Sunday (Special 2^{nd} Collection – outreach to Poland)

• 9:30 AM - Holy Mass

+ Maryanna & Joseph Statkiewicz, Helen \$ Thomas Misiewicz – requested by Marianne Woodland
Monday, October 16, 2017 – Weekday (Columbus Day)
Tuesday, October 17, 2017 – Weekday
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 – Feast – St. Luke, Apostle & Evangelist
Thursday, October 19, 2017 – Weekday
Friday, October 20, 2017 – Weekday
Saturday, October 21, 2017 – Weekday
Sunday, October 22, 2017 – 29th Ordinary Sunday

• 9:30 AM - Holy Mass

FAITH SHARING

Today's Scripture readings offer us a standing invitation to the everlasting joy of the *Heavenly banquet* and a loving warning to stay ever ready for this *Heavenly banquet* by constantly wearing the *wedding garment* i.e., remaining in a state of grace. All three readings describe how a loving and providing God sees to it that there is abundant food for His people

In the first reading, Isaiah describes the Messianic banquet on the Lord's mountain in the Holy City of Jerusalem, which Yahweh is preparing for His people. The "good news" is that it is a great feast of "rich food and choice wines." But for the children of Israel the "bad news" is that Yahweh invites all people, including Gentiles, to the banquet.

Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 23), presents God as the Good Shepherd Who nourishes, leads and protects His flock.

In the second reading, St. Paul advises the Philippians to put their trust in the power and goodness of a providing God, Who, in Jesus, has given His Church everything needed to enable His followers to participate in the Heavenly banquet. In today's Gospel, by telling an allegoric parable of judgment in the Temple of Jerusalem two days before his arrest, Jesus accuses the Jewish religious and civil leaders of rejecting God's invitation to the *Heavenly banquet* given through him, God's Son. They have rejected the invitation by not listening to the Good News preached by Jesus and by not reforming their lives. This invitation was repeatedly extended to Israel through the prophets, including John the Baptist. But the leadership contemporary with Jesus rejected the reality that Jesus was the fulfillment of all prophecy, refused to accept God's invitation to righteous living given through John the Baptist and through Jesus, and is now planning to kill God's own Son, Jesus. Therefore, God is inviting the sinners and Gentiles for His banquet, and that is why Jesus is keeping the company of sinners.

OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE ROSARY

During the month of October we want to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary very special way. After each Mass during the month of October we will pray one decade of Rosary in different languages offering it for ourselves and our families.



ALL SOULS DAY AND PRAYERS FOR OUR DEAD

All Saints and All Souls are coming. This time of the year is very special to all. We remember and we pray for our beloved dead. Please mail to Parish Office the



request form for Mass intention for your family members and friends who passed away. Two Memorial Masses will be held on All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2 at 7:00PM and on Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 9:30AM. Special way we invite the families of those our parishioners who passed away between November 2, 2016 and November 2, this year.

At the cemetery we are going to pray together for our beloved dead on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00PM.

Thursday, November 2, 2017

• **7:00 PM** - Memorial Mass with the reading the names of your loved ones who passed away (*Wypominki*)

Sunday, November 5, 2017

- **9:30** AM Memorial Mass with the reading the names of your loved ones who passed away (*Wypominki*)
- **2:00 PM** Procession and Prayers for the Dead at the cemetery (Bensalem) with the reading the names of your loved ones who passed away (*Wypominki*)

All Souls Octave - Thursday, Nov 2, 2017 - Thursday, Nov 9, 2017

• **7:00 PM** - Rosary for the Dead with the reading the names of your loved ones who passed away (*Wypominki*), Benediction

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Please mark your calendar for our annual parish meeting on **November 19, 2017**. We invite to that meeting all registered parishioners. There is a lot of things to talk about and vote. Our meeting will be right after Mass at 9:30 a.m. Brunch will be served first, and after it we want to reelect the members of our Parish Council, vote for many issues as well. Detailed Parish issues will be discussed.

Fr. Mariusz will give a full report of his work at St. Valentine's Parish to Chairman and Parish Council.

All our registered Parishioners are **required** to participate for this meeting. Our Friends and Sympathizers are also invited. This week you will receive a written invitation for our annual parish meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting November 19, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE



If you wish to order a Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in our parish please call parish office (215-535-4978) or mail your request to:

2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137, or email it to stvalentinespncc@gmail.com Holy Mass is not only reserved for repose of the soul but

it can be offered for any person and any intention, for example your wedding anniversary, birthday, special blessing for your children or grandchildren, special blessing for your family etc.

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| Date Requested | Time |
| Requested by | |
| Address | |
| Phone Number | Amount \$ |
| Please mail this form and Mass stipend to: St. Valentine's PNCC, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137 or call parish office at (215) 535-4978. | |

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