

# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Jan 22, 2017 - **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **9:30 Holy Mass**

Monday, Jan 23, 2017 - **Weekday**, John the Almsgiver, Bp.

Tuesday, Jan 24, 2017 - **Weekday**, Timothy, Bp.

Wednesday, Jan 25, 2017 - **Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**

Thursday, Jan 26, 2017 - **Weekday**, Polycarp of Smyrna, Bp., M.

Friday, Jan 27, 2017 - **Weekday**, John Chrysostom, Bp., D.

Saturday, Jan 28, 2017 - **Weekday**, Paulinus, Bp.

Sunday, Jan 29, 2017 - **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **9:30 Holy Mass**

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**LAST WEEK COLLECTION: \$ 295.00**

**FAITH SHARING** for Third Sunday in Ordinary time Jesus' message in this Sunday's gospel, to "*REPENT, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand*" is a call for us today as well. The kingdom of heaven can be experienced in God's Word and God's Creation. Jesus chose the very basic "staff of life", ordinary bread to become food for the kingdom, the Eucharist. Come to be nourished with His Kingdom Bread of Life.

## **THANK YOU, BISHOP BERNARD!**

We are very happy that Bishop Bernard Nowicki has visited our parish last Sunday. Bishop concelebrated Holy Mass with Fr. Andrew and Fr. Mariusz, whom Bishop Nowicki appointed as our new Parish Administrator. After Mass Bishop met with parishioners in our church hall.

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

The theme of this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18-25, 2017) is "Reconciliation - The Love of Christ

Compels Us." The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years..., in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the Week Prayer for Christian Unity, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." Please keep Christian Unity in your prayers.

## **SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

The Parish Family of St. Valentine prays for all who are sick and those recovering from illness.

If there is someone you know, or a family member who is in need of prayers, and they have agreed to have their name on the list, please call the Parish Rectory with the proper information for that person. We can also publish in our bulletin the names of those who are sick.

If there is a need to visit your sick family member or friend with Holy Anointing and Holy Communion, please call Fr. Mariusz.

## **PRAY FOR LIFE**

This week marks the 44th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade and the legalization of abortion in our country. The estimated thought is that over 50 million Americans have been aborted in that time frame, a staggering number. What is almost as sobering though is the lack of respect that our culture has for life in general and the allowance of abuses against life including: abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, human trafficking, and exploitation of the poor, women, and children.

## **ST. VALENTINE'S DAY BRUNCH**

We are inviting everyone to attend St. Valentine's Day brunch on Sunday, February 12, after mass in parish hall. Please attend and support our parish.

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## THANK YOU FOR THE WARM WELCOME

I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome and all the support I have received.

I am very glad I have joined St. Valentine's Parish Family. I will try and do my best to maintain your expectations to lead you closer to Jesus Christ.

*Fr. Mariusz*

## PARISH BLESSINGS and GRATITUDE

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!

**May God bless you all for your wonderful work!!!**

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## 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

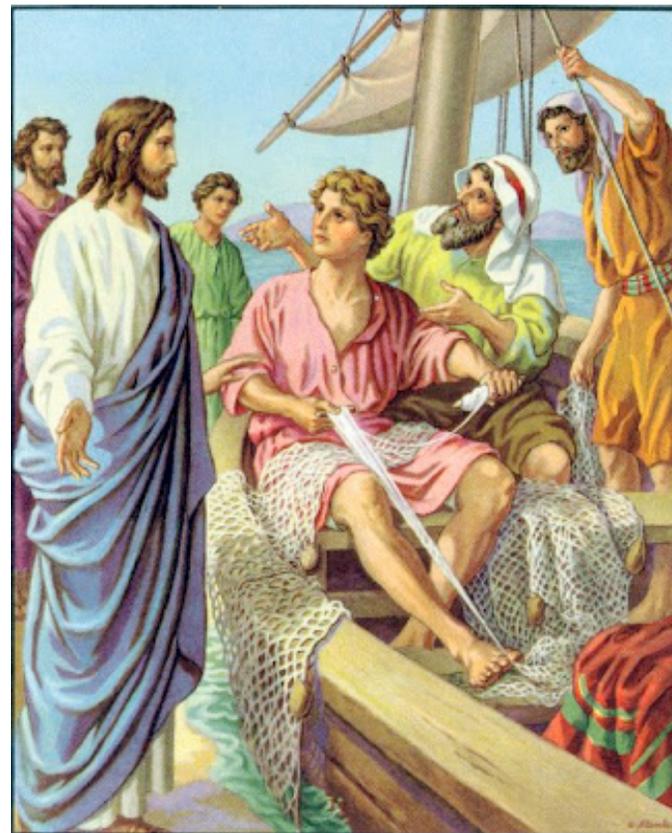
## PARISH CALENDAR

- Polish Language Mass – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month.
- St. Valentine's Day Brunch and Parish Yearly Meeting – we are inviting everyone to attend St. Valentine's Day Brunch.

# ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

**Polish National Catholic Church**

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*"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."  
At once they left their nets and followed him. (Matthew 4: 19-20)*

*„Pójdźcie za Mną, a uczynię was rybakami ludzi.”  
Oni natychmiast zostawili sieci i poszli za Nim. (Mt 4, 19-20)*

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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