# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 8, 2017 – Solemnity – Christian Family

# • 9:30 AM - Holy Mass

Monday, October 9, 2017 - Weekday (Columbus Day)

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 – Weekday

Wednesday, October 11, 2017 – Weekday

Thursday, October 12, 2017 - Weekday

Friday, October 13, 2017 – Weekday

Saturday, October 14, 2017 – Weekday

Sunday, October 15, 2017 – 28th Ordinary Sunday

# • 9:30 AM - Holy Mass

+ Maryanna & Joseph Statkiewicz, Helen  $\$  Thomas Misiewicz - requested by Marianne Woodland

## **FAITH SHARING**

Imagine yourself as one of the parents of Jesus at this point. Be very honest, now. Imagine your growing sense of concern as the time passed, and as the child was not found. Consider your fears intensifying as you recalled the absolute reliability of Jesus and His wisdom. And then when you find Him, seemingly aloof to all the consternation He has caused, discussing theology (perhaps as He often had done in Nazareth) in the temple. Admit it, now, you would be angry with Him, just as I would have been.

All the concern and anxiety and intensity caused by Jesus' absence now turns, I believe, to frustration and anger. His mother scolds Him, gently perhaps (in front of the teachers and those looking on), but nevertheless her words are intended as a rebuke. At this moment in time, Mary may have almost entirely forgotten that Jesus was any different from any other child. All of the strange and wonderful things she was told and had seen, the things she "treasured in her heart" were probably momentarily overshadowed by her frustration. "How could you have done this to us, Jesus!" seems to be the essence of her first words. "Your father and I have been looking for you for days, and we were just about at our wits end." The matter was over as quickly as it happened. Jesus went with them, back to



Nazareth, to live with them, and in submission to their authority. Nevertheless, things would never be quite the same, I suspect. Jesus continued to grow, physically, spiritually, and socially. Years would pass until the public ministry of Jesus would begin, but during this time Jesus was continually growing, ever being prepared for the day of His public appearance as Israel's Messiah. His sense of purpose and calling toward this destiny can be seen, even in this childhood incident.

#### 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.



#### PHILADELPHIA SENIORATE COUNCIL DONATED MONEY FOR US

Father Senior Very Rev. Edward Ratajack and other members of Philadelphia Seniorate Council voted to give some financial help for St. Valentine's Parish. We just received a donation for \$500 which will be used for our rectory remodeling. Thank you so much! May God bless our Brothers and Sisters from other perishes around us who are sensitive and ready to bring some aid.

#### PULASKI PARADE

On Sunday, October 1, 2017, the representatives of our Parish participated in the 84th Annual Pulaski Day Parade. This year the Pulaski Day Parade was highlighting "The Year of Kosciuszko", an International Celebration Marking the Life and Accomplishments of a Hero of Both Poland and America.



Below is the link to watch this year parade on TouTube www.youtube.com/watch?v=y\_En9x\_lyRA

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**



On Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, on a Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi and Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> took place a Blessing of the Animals in our church.

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Please mark your calendar for our annual parish meeting. The exact day will be announced next week, however we think about November 26, 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 in this meeting. Our Friends and Sympathizers are also invited. This week you will receive a written invitation for our annual parish meeting.

#### 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. This week you will receive the request form for Mass intention for your family members and friends who passed away. This Memorial Mass will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. Special way we invite the families of those our parishioners who passed away between November 2, 2016 and November 2, this year. The form please mail to our Parish office.

At the cemetery we are going to pray together for our beloved dead on All Souls Day, November 2, evening time. Exact time TBA.

## 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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