LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 18, 2018 – 5th Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

Monday, March 19, 2018 – Solemnity – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 – **Lenten Weekday**Wednesday, March 21, 2018 – **Lenten Weekday**Thursday, March 22, 2018 – **Lenten Weekday**Friday, March 23, 2018 – **Lenten Weekday**><(((((°)>

- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross Saturday, March 24, 2018 – Lenten Weekday Sunday, March 25, 2018 – Palm Sunday
- 9:30 AM Holy Mass with Blessing of Palms

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (March 25) has been transferred this year to Monday, April 9, 2018.

SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION

April 1, 2018 special second collection is <u>for the Mission Fund</u>. Thank you for your generosity. God bless you. Bóg zapłać!

FAITH SHARING

Today's Gospel teaches us that new life and eternal life are possible only by the death of the self through suffering and service. Jesus said "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

Also salt gives its taste by dissolving in water. A candle gives light by burning its wick

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

John 12:24

and melting its wax. The oyster produces a priceless pearl by transforming a grain of sand through a long and painful process. Loving parents sacrifice themselves so that their children can enjoy a better life than they themselves had. Let us pray that we may acquire this self-sacrificial spirit, especially during Lent.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN 2018



Sunday, April 8, 2018, after Mass Sunday, May 6, 2018, after Mass Sunday, June 3, 2018, after Mass Sunday, July 1, 2018, after Mass

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST – MARCH 25th

We cordially invite everyone to attend Palm Sunday brunch in parish hall on Palm Sunday, **March 25**, after 9:30AM Mass.

MENU:

Pancakes or Belgian wafers, sausage, Polish Easter soup (Żurek), fruit toppings, Orange juice, coffee, tea. \$10.00 Donation. Tickets will be available at the door.



Please spread the word and invite your family members and your friends. Your presence is very important to your parish. Thank you!

LENTEN ALMSGIVING

It has been well said that if you want to know God, show love to your neighbor. The small sacrifices we make during Lent only have meaning if they increase love. So, if you are giving up chocolate or wine as a small gesture of love for the Lord, don't forget to give the money you save to those who cannot afford



daily bread. You will be repaid a hundredfold. Don't forget the most precious gift you can give is your time. So, over and above any material gift, give your time to those who need it. That visit to someone you have been putting off, that letter, email or text message you have been meaning to write, even the smile with which you greet the office bore, they are all forms of almsgiving which will enrich your life as well as that of others.

In the back of our church you can find the POOR BOX.

LAST CHANCE THIS YEAR TO SING GORZKIE ŻALE - LENTEN LAMENTATIONS

In our Parish we will sing last time this year Gorzkie Żale **today** after 9:30AM Mass.





OFFICE ITEMS DONATIONS

If you have some unwanted office supplies, such as paper, envelopes, post stamps, etc. and you would like to donate them or you could sponsor them for our Parish Office, please let us know. Even your tiny donation can be helpful to your Church.



2018 DUES

Please kindly mail your checks with 2018 dues to Parish Office.

\$225.00 Total/per each adult member yearly. (\$100.00 to the National Church, \$25.00 to the Central Diocese, \$100.00 to the St. Valentine's Parish). Those parishioners who didn't pay 2017 dues please do so ASAP.

You can also mail your Sunday/Solemnities collection envelopes along with your dues.

Your Parish and your Church need your help to operate. According to our Constitution of PNCC by neglecting dues member loses his/her PNCC membership, right to vote and burial in our cemetery.

PARISH FLEA MARKET – JUNE 9, 2018

Thank you those parishioners who delivered already to parish hall their donations to our parish flea market.

Please donate your unwanted items to us and let St. Valentine's Parish make some money on it. We need your help. Flea market is a great opportunity to help your Parish to survive.

Unfortunately we DO NOT ACCEPT any clothing, bedding and shoes.



We want to make the sale twice. Ones in our church hall and driveway and church hall on **June 9, 2018**. Second time later in our park with renting the tables for other vendors. Exact date will be announced later.

If you have some items to donate but you are unable to bring them to our church hall, please give us a call and we can pick them up. Please call us at (215) 535-4978.

FUNERAL

Funeral Mass for **śp. +Frank Samiec & +Bernice Samiec** will be held on **Friday, April 6, 2018, 11:00AM** at St. Valentine's church. Please remember Frank and Bernice in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. Through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace. Amen.



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5th Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday

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March 18, 2018