

## LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 1, 2018 – **Easter Sunday**

- **9:30 AM Resurrection Mass**

For all St. Valentine's Parishioners, living and dead.

Monday, April 2, 2018 – **Easter Monday**

Tuesday, April 3, 2018 – **Easter Tuesday**

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 – **Easter Wednesday**

Thursday, April 5, 2018 – **Easter Thursday**

Friday, April 6, 2018 – **Easter Friday**

Saturday, April 7, 2018 – **Easter Saturday**

Sunday, April 8, 2018 – **Easter Sunday**

- **9:30 AM Holy Mass**

### SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION

Today, April 1, 2018 special second collection is for the Mission Fund.

Thank you for your generosity. God bless you. Bóg zapłać!

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### EASTER DONATIONS

Thank you to all who responded to our Easter Letter and made Easter donations to our church and those who made donation for the Easter Resurrection Mass, which is offered in memory of:

**George Mendla**

**The Roszkowski Family**

**The Boyk Family**

**Lucy Hasset**

**Zofia Stachowicz**

**Phillis Stachowicz**

**Stella Nicgorski**

**Stanley Nicgorski**

**Charles Bergholtz**

**Albina Filipezak**

**Mary & Joseph Stryjewski**

**Alfreda Stryjewski**

**Henryka Reading**

**The Pasz Family**

**Bill Kiriloff & all deceased from the family**

**Anna Bielecki**

**Charles & Esther Seltner**

**Cliff & Alberta Brown**

**Helen Siwicki**

**Dolores & Fred Phillips**

**Al & Sophie Floczak**

**Maryann McKeever**

**Wayne Sheltman**

**Janina & Franciszek Zych**

**Dorota Mendelewski**

**Helen Paluszkiewicz**

**Edmund Politowski**

**Dominick Jeblonski**

**Jan Dryfik, Jan Pelka**

### 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 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.



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### 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.



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### 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



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St. Valentine's PNCC, Philadelphia, PA  
Collections – Liturgical Year 2018

February – March

Date	Sunday / Solemnity	Amount
Su, Feb 4, 2018	Sexagesima Sunday	\$624.00
Su, Feb 4, 2018	Special Collection - For the Mission Fund	\$24.00
Su, Feb 11, 2018	Quinquagesima Sunday	\$1714.00
We, Feb 14, 2018	Ash Wednesday	\$55.00
Su, Feb 18, 2018	1st Sunday of Lent	\$336.00
Su, Feb 25, 2018	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent	\$277.00
Su, March 4, 2018	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent	\$259.00
Su, March 4, 2018	Special Collection - For the Mission Fund	\$44.00
Su, March 11, 2018	Solemnity – Institution of PNCC	\$272.00
Su, March 11, 2018	Special Collection - For the National Church Center	\$27.00
Su, March 18, 2018	Passion Sunday	\$192.00
Su, March 25, 2018	Palm Sunday	\$605.00

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### ŚMIGUS-DYNGUS ['emigus 'dingus]

Śmigus-dyngus also known as “lany poniedziałek”, meaning "Wet Monday" in Polish; is a celebration held on Easter Monday in Poland. It is also observed by Polish diaspora communities, particularly among Polish Americans, who call it Dyngus Day.



Traditionally, boys throw water over girls and spank them with pussy willow branches on Easter Monday, and girls do the same to boys. This is accompanied by a number of other rituals, such as making verse declarations and holding door-to-door processions. The origins of the celebration are uncertain, but it may date to pagan times (before 1000 AD); it is

described in writing as early as the 15th century. It continues to be observed in Central Europe, and also in the United States, where certain patriotic American elements have been added to the traditional Polish ones.



**Happy Easter!**  
**Wesołego Alleluja!**  
**to all St. Valentine's**  
**Parishioners,**  
**Visitors and Friends!**  
**May the Resurrected**  
**and Victorious Lord**  
**bless you and yours!**



## FAITH SHARING

This time I'd like to remind you about the meaning of the Holy Oils we use in our sacred liturgy.

The Church makes use of three holy oils: the oil of the sick, the oil of the catechumens and the holy Chrism oil. The first two are blessed, and the bishop consecrates the third, during the annual Chrism Mass. Each has a distinctive purpose in the Church.

**Oil of the Sick**, which is pure olive oil, is used for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. This sacrament can be administered any time and in any place. The priest lays hands on the sick or elderly person, says special prayers and anoints the person by placing oil in the form of a cross on the forehead and hands.

Through this sacrament, God gives the sick person grace and strength to bear the illness or infirmity. In addition, many Catholics have witnessed the power of this anointing to bring spiritual, emotional and even physical healing.

### **Oil of the Catechumens**

Both adults and infants prior to baptism are anointed with the oil of the catechumens, which is also pure olive oil.

The priest or deacon anoints the catechumens just before receiving the waters of baptism. This anointing is to help the child ward off evil, avoid temptation and possess the faith necessary to carry the cross of Christ throughout life.

### **Holy Chrism Oil**

The third oil, holy chrism oil, is olive oil mixed with balsam. The oil symbolizes strength, and the fragrant balsam represents the "aroma of Christ" (2 Cor 2:15). Anointing with chrism oil signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is used to consecrate someone or something to God's service.

We witness the use of the holy chrism when young people are confirmed. The bishop traces the Sign of the Cross with chrism oil on the forehead of the one being confirmed and says, "[Name], be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Chrism oil is also part of the baptismal rite. Following an infant's baptism with water and before he receives the white garment, the cross with chrism oil is traced on the crown of the child's head, marking him as a Christian. Anointing on the head is also administered at the baptism of an adult if the person does not immediately receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Holy chrism oil is used as well during the ordination of a priest (the Sacrament of Holy Orders) and the consecration of a bishop. It is the



anointing used in the consecration of a church and the blessing of an altar and the vessels used at Mass.

### **The Chrism Mass**

Each year all priests of our Central Diocese together with our bishop bless enough new oils for every parish during the Chrism Mass. The holy oils are then transported to individual parishes, where they are available for use during that year. Though the bishop cannot be physically present at every baptism in his diocese, he can be symbolically present through the holy oils he blesses.

After the Liturgy of the Word, the blessing of the oils takes place. The oil of the sick is presented first, next the oil of the catechumens, and finally oil for the holy chrism. The bishop prays over and blesses each oil individually.

The ritual for creating and consecrating the holy chrism is different from the others. To make it, the bishop mixes oil from the balsam plant with the olive oil, breathes on the mixed oil to signify the presence of the Holy Spirit, and then says a prayer to consecrate it.

Once blessed in this way, the chrism and the other oils are no longer ordinary ointments. Instead, they are a holy, precious gift from God to the Church, signifying cleansing and strengthening, healing and comfort, and the life-giving grace of the Holy Spirit.

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## 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.



## FUNERAL

Funeral Mass for **sp. +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.



*Rest In Peace*

## 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](mailto: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.

# ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

**Polish National Catholic Church**

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**Easter Sunday / Wielkanoc**

**April 1, 2018**



### MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for \_\_\_\_\_

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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parishioner?

Need to Update  
your Contact  
Information?

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