

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 22, 2018 – 16th Ordinary Sunday

• **9:30 AM Holy Mass**

+ Mabel Skowronski – requested by Kapuscinski Family

Monday, July 23, 2018 – Weekday

Tuesday, July 24, 2018 – Weekday

Wednesday, July 25, 2018 – Weekday

Thursday, July 26, 2018 – Weekday

Friday, July 27, 2018 – Weekday

Saturday, July 28, 2018 – Weekday

Sunday, July 29, 2018 – 17th Ordinary Sunday

• **9:30 AM Holy Mass**

+ Mabel Skowronski – requested by Cliff & Julie Brown

FAITH SHARING

Today's Gospel passage presents the sympathetic and merciful heart of Jesus who lovingly invites his apostles to a desolate place for some rest. Jesus had sent his apostles on their first mission, which was one of healing, teaching and preaching. When they returned, they were no doubt exhilarated by the experience. They had witnessed at first hand, the power of God's Word. Nonetheless, they were hungry, exhausted, and in need of rest, both physical and spiritual. In fact, Jesus was eager to hear about their missionary adventures as they proudly shared



their experiences.

But Jesus, too, was in need of a break from the crowds who were constantly pressing on him, demanding his attention and healing. Hence, he led the Apostles by boat to a "deserted place" on the other side of the Lake for a period of rest and sharing.

We all need some rest. We are humans, not machines, not some robots. Summer time is a perfect time for vacation. After hard work, after school, we deserved to have some time of rest. Even during the week, one day should be a break.

May God bless you when you work, and may God bless you when you rest!

WE NEED GOD'S GRACE TO BECOME GOOD SHEPHERDS

The Christian life is a continuous passage from the presence of God to the presence of people and back again. Prayer is essentially listening to God and talking to Him. We should allow God the opportunity to speak to us and recharge us with spiritual energy and strength by setting aside enough time for Him to speak to us and for us to speak to Him. He speaks to us powerfully when we spend some time reading the Bible and meditating on the message God gives us. We receive



strength from God to do our share of the shepherd's preaching and healing ministry by praying to Him individually, in the family and as a community, in the parish Church participating in the Eucharistic celebration.

THE CHURCH HAS THE DOUBLE RESPONSIBILITY OF TEACHING AND FEEDING

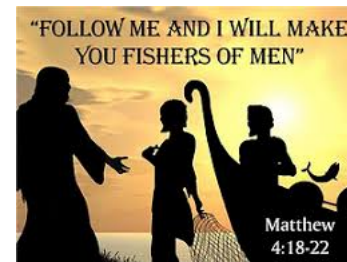
There can be no true Christianity without the proclamation of the Gospel. Teaching the Word of God is essential to a Christian community. Christians must also display the compassion of Jesus by meeting the social and material needs of others by our works of charity as individual Christians and as a parish community.



GOT VOCATION TO DIACONATE OR PRIESTLY MINISTRY?

As we all know we have come to a critical point with the shortage of priests within our Church, and particularly here in the Central Diocese. Our priests are getting up in age, some have been having health problems, some are ready to retire from the active ministry.

If there is anyone from our Parish, or if anyone knows of someone, who may be



interested in serving our Church by entering either the Diaconate Program or studies toward being ordained priest, please talk to your pastor or Very Rev. Edward Ratajack, Administrative Senior Priest of Philadelphia Seniorate (610-775-4559).

Even if we have no viable candidates for either Holy Office, please do not stop praying for vocations.

SURVEY AFTER PARISH FESTIVAL

As I mentioned before, it would be good to hear each other's opinion about our parish event. Some things were very good, some little bit less good, some ideas were bad ideas. Let us gather our thoughts together and learn from what we experienced in order to work better next time. Thank you for your cooperation. The survey can be found in the back of the church.

PIEROGI AND GOLABKI FOR SALE

There are frozen pierogies and golabki available for sale. Limited quantity!

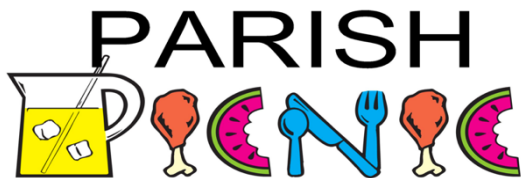
You can benefit St. Valentine's Parish by purchasing them. Available after Mass on Sunday or please call at 215-535-4978.



PARISH PICNIC

St. Valentine's annual parish picnic this year will be on Sunday, September 16. As usually we'll begin with Holy Mass at 12:00 Noon at the cemetery. Then at 1:00 PM we start the picnic at our Pulaski Park, 875 Mill Rd, Bensalem, PA 19020.

We are asking all our Parishioners to sell raffle tickets to friends and family members. Please make all raffle returns payable to St Valentine's PNCC and mail to the rectory.



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass and write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at St. Valentine's Parish.

POLISH DENTIST

Need an affordable, highly skilled dentist? Penn Dental in Philadelphia has the answer.

Magdalena Glass is currently in her third academic year at Penn Dental. She is originally from Poland, and graduated from the Medical University of Bialystok prior to immigrating to the United States. She will soon have two dental degrees. Magdalena speaks Polish and English fluently.

Penn Dental offers the opportunity for patients to be treated comprehensively and individually by students at an affordable rate. All dental students are monitored by experienced Penn Dental faculty.

To schedule an appointment with Magdalena Glass, call her directly at: **215 934 8202**

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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)



16th Ordinary Sunday

16 Niedziela Zwykła

July 22, 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.