

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 19, 2018 – 20th Ordinary Sunday

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

+ Stella Novack – requested by Julie & Cliff Brown

Monday, August 20, 2018 – Weekday

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 – Weekday

Wednesday, August 22, 2018 – Weekday

Thursday, August 23, 2018 – Weekday

Friday, August 24, 2018 – Feast – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Saturday, August 25, 2018 – Weekday

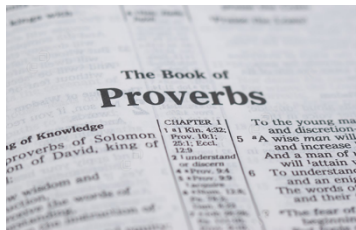
Sunday, August 26, 2018 – 21st Ordinary Sunday

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

+ Stella Novack – requested by Loretta Sucharski

FAITH SHARING

In chapter nine of Book of Proverbs from which today's first reading is taken, Wisdom is depicted as a gracious hostess inviting the people to a fine banquet. "Wisdom" becomes the symbolic image of the search for God's will. As this reading suggests, Faith opens up the founts of wisdom to nourish us. Wisdom spreads out a banquet to which we all are invited. The meat and wine that she offers is insight and understanding, and we would be fools to turn down her invitation. Jesus, too, spreads a



banquet before us. He offers us himself, his flesh for the life of the world. If we turn down his invitation, we would be more than fools. We would be rejecting life itself.

When we partake of the Flesh and Blood of Christ, we are filled with true wisdom. Here, wisdom means knowing the will of God in our lives, knowing the real values in life and knowing how to live life as God means us to live. In their hymns and creeds, early Christians often identified Jesus as the Wisdom of God. The Bread of Life discourse in John indicates that the Eucharist is Wisdom's banquet, where we share in the Divine Wisdom Incarnate in Jesus.

VALUE OF WISDOM (ANECDOTE ON THE FIRST READING):

Automaker Henry Ford asked electrical genius Charlie Steinmetz to build the generators for his factory. One day the generators ground to a halt, and the repairmen couldn't find the problem. So Ford called Steinmetz, who tinkered with the machines for a few hours and then threw the switch. The generators whirred to life—but Ford got a bill for \$10,000 from Steinmetz. Flabbergasted, the rather tightfisted carmaker inquired why the bill was so high. Steinmetz's reply: For tinkering with the generators, \$10. For knowing where to tinker, \$9,990. Ford paid the bill. [*Today in the Word*, MBI (April, 1990), p. 27.]



Saturday, September 15, 2018

8:00AM – 4:00PM – Flea market

Refreshments available. Polish Food (pierogi, golabki, kielbasa, potato pancakes, hot dogs, soda, juice).

All vendors are welcome.

Sunday, September 16, 2018

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass (at cemetery)

1:00 PM – Parish Picnic. Delicious Polish homemade food.

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.

All donations are also greatly appreciated.

As this is a major fundraiser, your participation in purchasing raffle tickets, food and refreshments at the picnic will enable us to increase the total income for our church.

FLEA MARKET DONATIONS

Please bring the unwanted items which you wish to donate for our flea market. Due date is September 7, 2018. All items must be cleaned, priced and packed into boxes before we transfer them to Bensalem.

Thank you for your donations!. God bless!

PARISH OFFICE REMODELING PROJECT IS PENDING

Last week contractor finished fixing the walls and ceiling in our parish office. Doors, storm doors and windows have been painted. New trims around windows



and doors were installed. All new electric wires replaced the old aluminum wires. New AC unit replaced the old broken one.

Only two things left to do: a carpet and baseboard moldings.

Our office still needs some office equipment.

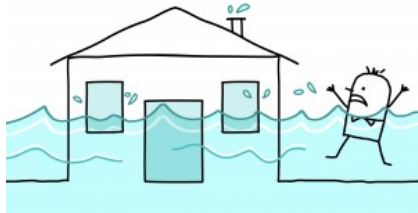
PIEROGI AND GOLABKI FOR SALE

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.



OUR CHURCH HALL IN NEED

Many of you probably have a lot of good memories about our church hall – party, dinner, conversation, some people who are no longer with us, etc. The walls of this building could tell more than one story from the past. But the walls of our hall are in danger now. There is a serious water damage of the foundations, worse and worse with each and next rain. Water stays in the whole basement, especially in boiler room. After last Monday's storm Leon was pumping water outside for few hours. Then he cleaned entire surface of church hall basement. Good job, a lot of sacrifice but all in vain. After last night storm it looks exactly the same. Water is everywhere.



The whole sewage line got jammed. It has to be fixed immediately. Parish just took a loan to fix the broken sewage line at the rectory. Now the same plumbing job is required in order to rescue our hall. **Your support is needed. Please make some extra donations to St. Valentine's. Please help and be as generous as possible.**

CLERGY CONFERENCE AND RETREAT

I am going to Clergy Conference and annually clergy retreat on August 21-23. Please pray for my safe trip. We, your clergy, bishops, priests and deacons, promise our prayers for you.

Usually all incoming phone calls to parish number are redirected to my cell phone, however if I'll be unable to answer, please leave the message.

FROM THE "SOUND OF MUSIC TO ON GOLDEN POND"

The Polish American Cultural Center Museum Volunteers are inviting everyone to join the Happy Travelers on a 5-day, 4 nights trip to Vermont and New Hampshire from Monday, September 17th through Friday, September 21st. You will be able to enjoy the beautiful foliage of the New England states, shop at the country stores, enjoy a luncheon and tour at the famous Von Trapp Lodge, dinner on a railroad, ride on the Loon Gondola, have a narrated cruise on Squam Lake where "On the Golden Pond" was filmed, live entertainment in Vermont, and so much more. But most of all you will do a lot of laughing, meeting new friends, and having lots and lots of fun!

For more information or reservations (there are seats still available), call Theresa Romanowski at 215-813-2780 or the Museum at 215-922-1700. Don't miss out on a great trip with the Happy Travelers who are always happy and laughing!!!

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