

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, September 2, 2018 – 22nd Ordinary Sunday

Special Collection for Missions

• **9:30 AM Holy Mass**

+ Jan Dryfik (21st Anniversary of Death) – requested by the Family

Monday, September 3, 2018 – **Weekday – Labor Day**

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 – **Weekday**

Wednesday, September 5, 2018 – **Weekday**

Thursday, September 6, 2018 – **Weekday**

Friday, September 7, 2018 – **Weekday**

Saturday, September 8, 2018 – **Solemnity – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Sunday, September 9, 2018 – 23rd Ordinary Sunday – **Solemnity – Brotherly Love**

• **9:30 AM Holy Mass**

For All Parishioners

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING TODAY, AFTER MASS

FAITH SHARING

There was a Church in Denmark where the worshipers bowed regularly before a certain spot on the wall. They had been doing that for three centuries — bowing at that one spot in the sanctuary. Nobody could remember why. One day in renovating the church, they removed some of the whitewash on the walls. At the exact spot where the people bowed they found the image of the Madonna under the whitewash. People had become so accustomed to bowing before that image that even after it was covered up for three centuries, people still bowed.

Tradition is a powerful thing. The Pharisees had learned to substitute tradition, custom, habit for the presence of the living God. Tradition is the living Faith of the dead. Traditionalism is the dead faith of the living. Traditionalism rears its head in many ways, in many times and in many places.



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!



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.

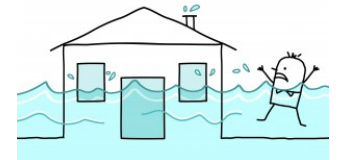
As this is a major fundraiser, your participation in purchasing raffle tickets, food and refreshments at the picnic will enable us to increase the total income for our church.

OUR CHURCH HALL IS 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.

The whole sewage line got jammed. It has to be fixed immediately.

Your support is needed. Please make some extra donations to St. Valentine's. Please help and be as generous as possible.



XXV GENERAL SYNOD

From October 1, 2018 until October 3, 2018 XXV General Synod will take place in Belleville, IL – Western Diocese.

Unfortunately our parish cannot be represented at this time. Due to unpaid dues to General Church and Central Diocese from 2012 to 2016 we are ineligible to participate and we cannot receive even one mandate.

Anyway, we will pray for our Church gathered together to talk about important issues and to vote right.

PRAYER FOR SYNOD DELEGATES

Dear God, guide all our synod delegates, that those called to serve in these responsibilities may be men and women living a holy life, seeking to be in your will, able to overcome prejudices, examining issues with care, and that the decisions of 25th Synod of the Polish National Catholic Church may be to the building up of your church and to your glory.

May we be truly unified as one under Christ.

For A Church Alive To The Lord, O God, we get so caught up with the programs, with the buildings, with raising the finances, with restructuring and with endless sheets of paper.

Forgive us when we make these things our priority and ignore your presence. May our priority be to live Christ-like lives and as we look to you in prayer may our words and deeds be a witness to your glory. Amen.

SEX SCANDALS IN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

As we all know there are disappointments and sadness after announcing to the public the names of all pedophiles-priests from each diocese in State of Pennsylvania. Other States are going to do the same soon. There are hundreds of clergy-predators and thousands of their victims.

There is no special statement needed at this time from our Bishop or Prime Bishop. First of all, the other denominations did not issue any statements. Secondly, we as PNCC, are not innocent neither. For sure there was no pedophile priest ever in our Church, however we also had few sex scandals in the past. Only the adults were involved in them, however it was highly inappropriate behavior of our clergy.

Those who abused the minors deserved very just punishment, those who suffered from them deserved justice. They also deserved our prayers and support.

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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