

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 11, 2018 – 32nd Ordinary Sunday

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

+ June Brennan (requested by Bill Quilty)

Monday, November 12, 2018 – Veterans' Day

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 – Weekday

Wednesday, November 14, 2018 – Weekday

Thursday, November 15, 2018 – Weekday

Friday, November 16, 2018 – Weekday

Saturday, November 17, 2018 – Weekday

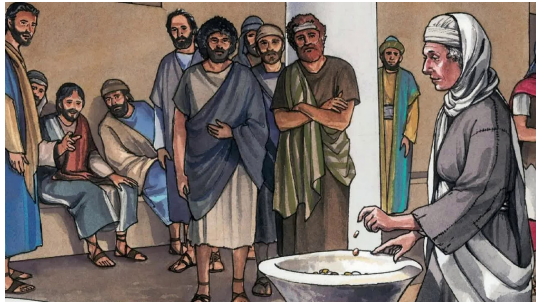
Sunday, November 18, 2018 – 33rd Ordinary Sunday

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

+ Maria, Teresa, Jan, Janina Korus (requested by Family)

FAITH SHARING

The first reading and the Gospel today present poor widows who sacrificially gave their whole lives and means of livelihood to God, symbolizing the supreme sacrifice Jesus would offer by giving His life for others. In the first reading, taken from the First Book of Kings, a poor widow who has barely enough food for herself and her son welcomes the prophet Elijah as a man of God, shares her food



with him and receives her reward in the form of a continuing daily supply of food. In the Gospel, Jesus contrasts the external signs of honor sought by the scribes with the humble, sacrificial offering of a poor widow and declares that she has found true honor in God's eyes. The poor

widows in both the first reading and the Gospel gave away all that they possessed for the glory of God. The sacrificial self-giving of the widows in the first reading and the Gospel reflects God's love in giving His only Son for us, and Christ's love in sacrificing himself on the cross.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF POLAND REGAINING ITS INDEPENDENCE

On 11 November 1918, the dream of generations of Poles came true: the Polish state was reborn. After the partitions and 123 years of serfdom, Russification and Germanisation, after great uprisings, free Poland was reinstated on the map of the world.



In 1918, World War I was over and our country was free at last after 123 years of geo-political oblivion. In 2018, we are proud to join the Polish Government and Polish people around the world in commemorating the 100th anniversary of Poland becoming an independent European country.

Regaining independence happened due to devotion and heroism not only on battlefields, but also in everyday efforts to preserve the spiritual and material substance of the nation as well as in everyday endurance of Polish families.

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the restoration of Poland's sovereignty, as Polish community of the Polish National Catholic Church, we would like to thank God first for our country and for our Polish heritage. Today we celebrate the Holy Mass thinking about Poland and our Polish relatives.

Together with other Polish Parishes, Polish Organizations and Polish Schools in Philadelphia we will join our efforts to make this celebration special.

Józef Piłsudski, (born December 5, 1867, Żułów, Poland, Russian Empire [now in Lithuania] —died May 12, 1935, Warsaw, Poland), Polish revolutionary and statesman, the first chief of state (1918–22) of the newly independent Poland established in November 1918. He rejected an offer of the presidency but remained politically influential while serving as minister of defense until 1935.



Piłsudski devoted himself to protecting Poland against the Russian Red Army, which was trying to fight its way into Germany in order to consolidate the revolution there. He led the Polish forces far to the east, occupying large areas that had belonged to Poland before the 18th-



century partitions. He envisioned a federal state comprising Poles, Lithuanians, and Ukrainians. In 1920 a counteroffensive by the Red Army forced the Poles to retreat westward almost to the suburbs of Warsaw, but Piłsudski, made marshal of Poland on March 19, conceived and directed a maneuver that in August brought victory to Poland.

BROKEN HEATING IN OUR CHURCH AND CHURCH HALL

We are working on broken heating system in our church and church hall. So far it is partially working. We have already one estimate for the total replacement of the old boiler. This might cost us \$31,500.00 (parts and labor). The other option is to replace just the burner, however due to old system it won't be easy to fit such part and to make it working together.

We need your help. Sunday offerings are not enough to cover our bills. Only few families and individuals pay parish dues. There are many parishioners who did not support St. Valentine's for decades. Shame to say, but recently we got more support from our friends and sympathizers than from registered parishioners. If you can make some donations, please be as generous as possible. Every dollar makes a difference. Your donations will be highly appreciated. May God bless you and reward you!

Marking Another Date in Polish History



100th Anniversary of Poland's Independence Day
Sunday, November 11, 2018 at the
National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA

October 11, 2018

Dear Members, Friends and Supporters:

As Polish people all over the world mark the 100th Anniversary of Poland's regained independence, you are invited to attend a Special Centennial Mass marking Poland's Independence on Sunday, November 11, 2018, at 12:30 P.M., at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

It was 100 years ago on November 11, 1918, Armistice Day, that Poland's Independence and its rightful place on the map of Europe were restored after 123 years of political partitions. Regained independence was made possible with the assistance of United States leaders, America's Polonia, and the powers of Europe. The loss of independence happened after the enactment of the May 3rd 1791 Constitution, the second oldest written democratic constitution in the world, when the countries surrounding Poland invaded and partitioned Poland, claiming it for themselves out of fear of the spread of democracy to their own lands.

On Sunday, November 11th at the 12:30 P.M. Mass at America's Czestochowa, we will gather to mark this historic date in Polish history. We will also celebrate Veterans Day and honor all veterans who fought for America's freedom and for freedom, peace, and justice around the world.

The Polish American Cultural Center Museum in Historic Philadelphia is encouraging church groups, organizations, veterans, youth groups, dance groups, and all of Polonia, to gather for this historic event. Immediately following the 12:30 P.M. Mass there will be a Tribute to Poland and Polonia in America.

We would appreciate you inviting everyone to this historic event.

On behalf of our supporters and the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, I thank you for your participation.

Sincerely,

Michael Blichasz, President
Polish American Cultural Center Museum

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32nd Ordinary Sunday
32 Niedziela Zwykła

National Independence Day
Narodowe Święto Niepodległości

November 11, 2018