

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 21, 2019 – **16th Ordinary Sunday**

9:30 AM Holy Mass

† Diane Towey – requested by Connie Quilty & Family
Family

Monday, July 22, 2019 – **Weekday**

Tuesday, July 23, 2019 – **Weekday**

Wednesday, June 24, 2019 – **Weekday**

Thursday, July 25, 2019 – **Feast – St. James, Apostle**

Friday, July 26, 2019 – **Weekday**

Saturday, July 27, 2019 – **Weekday**

Sunday, July 28, 2019 – **17th Ordinary Sunday**

9:30 AM Holy Mass

† Anne Jackson – requested by Julie & Cliff Brown

SUNDAY MASS INTENSIONS:

All Sundays after July 28 are open for new Mass intentions. Please remember that Holy Mass is not “reserved” for deceased only. The Mass can be requested for health and God’s blessing for your family or individual. Mass can be offered as thanking God for somebody or something. Holy Mass can be a perfect Birthday gift for your loved ones.

Mass intention can be also private, hidden to public. You can simply request the Mass “in certain intention” even without publishing who is requestor.

Please use the Mass intention request form to order your Mass. You can mail it or you can drop it in envelope to the collection basket.

Committee Meeting July 21, 2019, after Mass

CALENDARIUM

Tuesday, August 6	Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord
Thursday, August 15	Solemnity – Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Monday, August 26	Solemnity – Our Lady of Czestochowa
Thursday, August 29	Solemnity – Beheading of Saint John the Baptist
Monday, September 2	Labor Day
Sunday, September 8	Solemnity – Brotherly Love
Monday, September 9	Solemnity – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday, September 14	Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Monday, September 16	Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrow

FAITH SHARING

The central themes of today’s readings are the importance of hospitality in Christian life and the necessity of listening to God before acting. The key to the Christian life is setting priorities: Jesus Christ first, then everything else. The only way really to learn that lesson is to spend some time every day, “sitting at the feet of Jesus.”

Today’s first reading describes how Abraham and Sarah’s hospitality to angels in the guise of strangers was rewarded by God, who blessed them with a son in their old age.



In the second reading, Paul declares that he was commissioned by God to minister to the Church, as the revealer of the *mystery* of salvation and the preacher of the word in its *fullness*. He invites believers to open their hearts and minds and to show their hospitality to the mystery of Christ which he preaches. Paul also challenges us to cultivate that quality of hospitality which welcomes all others in Christ.

The Gospel passage describes how Martha, a true child of Abraham, wanted to extend the traditional generous hospitality of her people to Jesus, the true Messiah, by preparing an elaborate meal for him, while her sister Mary spent her time in talking to Jesus and listening to him. Presenting Martha as a dynamo of action and Mary as a true listener to the word of God, today’s Gospel invites us to serve others with Martha’s diligence after recharging our spiritual batteries every day by prayer – listening to God and talking to God – as Mary did. We can minister truly to the needs of others only after welcoming God’s Word into our hearts and minds.

CHURCH HALL BASEMENT RUINED

As you know, our church hall basement is flooded each time after rain. The kitchen, the bar area and both restrooms are completely ruined by water and mold. Basic insurance which we have, does not cover such damage.

Roof water from the next door abandoned house on Melrose St. due to clogged gutters and clogged underground pipe seriously damaged the concrete between our church hall and next door building. Because of it the water soaks deep to the ground and flows through our foundation. Moreover, it goes even farther, underground to the rectory basement and to the church.

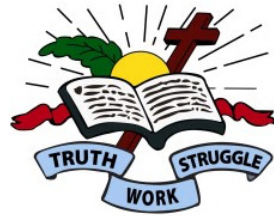
All trials to contact the owner of the next door property failed. Even the Police can’t help.

Last week two of our neighbors responded to my call in our bulletin and worked voluntarily in our basement removing the molded walls. Thank you very much for your good heart and heavy duty work.

There is a serious job that has to be done ASAP. If not, our church hall will be permanently closed due to toxic black mold inside.

2019 PNCC SPECIAL SYNOD

The Special Synod of The Polish National Catholic Church will take place on Friday, October 25, 2019 at St. Stanislaus Youth Center in Scranton, PA. The election of two candidates for bishop will be the sole purpose of this one-day Synod. The Parishes and Standard Organizations of the Church are reminded to elect delegates in the same manner as they would for a General Synod.



St. Valentine's Parish will not obtain any Synod mandate due to unpaid general and diocesan dues.



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS INSPECTION

Please help after Mass today to gather all fire extinguishers from the church and the hall to one place in our church hall. They need yearly inspection and certification on Wednesday. This way will be easier and faster. Thank you for your help.



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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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

16 Niedziela Zwyczajna

July 21, 2019