

# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, September 15, 2019 – **24<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday**

**9:30 AM Holy Mass** (Church)

**12:00 Noon Holy Mass** (Cemetery)

Monday, September 16, 2019 – **Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrow**

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 – **Weekday**

Wednesday, September 18, 2019 – **Weekday**

Thursday, September 19, 2019 – **Weekday**

Friday, September 20, 2019 – **Weekday**

Saturday, September 21, 2019 – **Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

Sunday, September 22, 2019 – **25<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday (Spójnia Sunday)**

**9:30 AM Holy Mass**

For PNU Spójnia

## SUNDAY MASS INTENSIONS:

Many Sundays 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 the requestor is.

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.

## CALENDARIUM

Monday, September 16	Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrow
Monday, September 30	Feast – Michael, Archangel
Wednesday, September 2	Feast – Guardian Angel
Friday, October 4	Feast – St. Francis of Assisi
Monday, October 7	Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary
Sunday, October 13	Solemnity – Christian Family
Friday, October 18	Feast – St. Luke, Evangelist
Thursday, October 24	Feast – Raphael the Archangel
Monday, October 28	Feast – St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles
Thursday, October 31	Vigil of All Saints
Friday, November 1	Solemnity – All Saints
Saturday, November 2	Solemnity – All Souls

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## FAITH SHARING

Today’s readings invite us to believe in a loving, patient, merciful, forgiving God. The Good News Jesus preached was that God is not a cruel, judging and punishing God. He is our loving and forgiving Heavenly Father who wants to save everyone through His Son Jesus. He is always in search of His lost and straying children.

In today’s first reading, taken from Exodus, Moses is imploring a forgiving God to have mercy on the sinful people who have abandoned Him and turned to idol-worship. He reminds God of His promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Today’s Responsorial Psalm, Ps 51 is the song of the sinful man returning to God to seek His mercy.

In today’s second reading, Paul tells Timothy that, although he, Paul, had been the greatest of sinners as the former persecutor of the Church, God has shown great mercy towards him.



Chapter 15 of Luke’s Gospel has been called “the Gospel within the Gospel,” because it is the distilled essence of the Good News about the mercy of our forgiving Heavenly Father. The whole chapter is essentially one distinct parable, the “Parable of the Lost and Found,” with three illustrations: the story of the lost sheep, the story of the lost coin and the story of the lost son. These parables remind us that we have a God who welcomes sinners and forgives their sins whenever they return to Him with genuine contrition and resolution. The Hebrew term for repentance, *teshuvá*, means a return to God by a person who has already experienced God’s “goodness and compassion”.

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## Our Saviour PNCC Parish

### FLEA MARKET

\$10.00 a space. No tables provided.

Food will be sold. Hot dogs, kielbasa, sauerkraut, muffins, pierogi, coffee, soda.

## Our Saviour PNCC Church

2300 Princeton Pike  
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

**Saturday, September 21, 2019 (rain date Sep 28)**

**9 AM – 3 PM**

For details please call Peggy Kowalik 609-585-6296

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## THEY’RE LOOKING FOR ME

There’s an old, old story, that I think is still funny.



The phone rings and a little boy answers in a whisper: “Hello?” The caller says: “Hi, is your Mommy there?” “Yes!” “Can I talk to her?” “No!” “Why not?” “She’s busy.” “What about your Daddy, can I talk to him?” “No! He’s busy.” “Well, is there anyone else there?” “My little sister.” “Is there anyone else there? Another adult?” “Uh, huh. The police.” “Can I talk to one of them?” “No, they’re busy.” “Is there anyone

else there?” “Yes, the firemen.” “Can I talk to one of them?” “No, they’re busy, too.” Caller: “Good heavens, your whole family’s busy, the police and fire departments are there and they’re busy! What’s everybody doing?” The little boy giggled and whispered: “They’re looking for me.”

Today’s passage of Scripture is about searching and finding. And that’s an old story that illustrates the frantic nature of people who have lost something and are in search of it.

### THE LOST COIN

The coin in question in this parable was a silver drachma. Since the houses were very dark, with one little circular window, and since the floor was made of beaten earth covered with dried reeds and rushes, it was practically impossible to find such a tiny coin. But the woman tried her best to get it back because it was worth more than a whole day’s wage for a workingman in Palestine. If the coin was one of the ten silver coins attached by a silver chain to the traditional headdress of a married woman, it was as important to her as the wedding ring in our society. Thus, we can understand the woman’s joy when at last she saw the glint of the elusive coin.



God, said Jesus, is like that. The joy of God and of all the angels when one sinner comes home is like the joy of a woman who loses her most precious possession with a value far beyond money and then finds it again. We believe in the seeking love of God because we see that Love Incarnate in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who came to seek and to save that which was lost.

### 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 finally got two mandates, one for the pastor and one for an active parish member.**

**Mr. Bill Quilty, our chairman, has been elected as our representative to go to 2019 PNCC Special Synod.**

# ST. VALENTINE’S PARISH

## Polish National Catholic Church

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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)

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24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

24 Niedziela Zwyczajna

September 15, 2019