LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 17, 2019 – 33rd Ordinary Sunday

9:30 AM Holy Mass

† Antonia Bussanich – requested by Bill Quilty

Monday, November 18, 2019 – Weekday

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 - Weekday

Wednesday, November 20, 2019 - Weekday

Thursday, November 21, 2019 - Solemnity - Presentation of the BVM

Friday, November 22, 2019 – Weekday

Saturday, November 23, 2019 – Weekday

Sunday, November 24, 2019 – Solemnity – Christ the King

9:30 AM Holy Mass

† Margaret Tartaglione – requested by Frank Brzozowski

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING is cancelled and postponed. The new date will be announced.

FAITH SHARING

The central theme of today's readings is "The Day of the Lord" or the "Second Coming" of Jesus in glory, as Judge, at the end of the world. The readings warn us about the final days of the world, our own death and the final judgment.

Malachi, in the first reading, foretells this Day, which will bring healing and reward for the just and punishment in fire for the "proud and all evil doers." Although St. Paul expected that Jesus would return during his lifetime, he cautions the Thessalonians, in the second reading, against idleness in anticipating the end of the world. Paul advises the Thessalonians that the best preparation for welcoming Jesus in his "Second Coming" is to keep working and doing one's duties faithfully, as he did.



Today's Gospel passage underlines the truth that the date of the end of the world is uncertain. Signs and portents will precede the end, and the Christians will be called upon to testify before kings and governors. The Good News is that those who persevere in faithfulness to the Lord will save their souls and enter God's eternal kingdom.

BLESSING OF CHILDREN BY PRIME BISHOP ANTHONY MIKOVSKY AND HEALING MASS FOR THE SICK WITH THE SPECIAL BLESSING



AT ST. VALENTINE'S ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019

On the Second Sunday of Advent, **December 8, 2019**, we will be blessed with a visit from the Most Reverend Anthony Mikovsky, the Prime Bishop of the Polish National Catholic Church. He will be the celebrant and homilist for **Holy Mass at 9:30 AM**. This is just a curtesy visit. Our chairman, Bill Quilty, invited Prime Bishop to our parish and Bishop Mikovsky answered with joy to this invitation. Our Primate will give his special Apostolic Blessing to all children from our parish. Please mark your calendar and spread the word.

2019 Parish Christmas Dinner December 8, 2019

Traditionally we are having our Parish Christmas Dinner and Oplatek. All Parishioners, Families, Friends and Supporters are invited. **Special way we invite our elder parishioners, all sick and homebound.** We miss you at our church. The pews are empty now, because of your infirmities and old age. We would like to honor you with the special healing Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky, and to support you with our prayers. We would like to worship together with you one more time. If you are willing to join us at this day but you have difficulty in traveling, please let us know and call Parish Office. We can make some arrangements asking for help our fellow parishioners who can pick you up on the way to the church and drop you off after Mass and dinner

We also invite all children. The Prime Bishop would like to give you his special blessing. Advent is a time of waiting for Baby Jesus. At Christmas all talk about Him. We would like to honor you with our special prayers for you and blessings. Parents, please remember the words of Our Lord "Let the children come to me" and help your offspring be present at this very special Mass. Santa promised to be here with us after Mass in the Church Hall. Shhh... If you want to help Santa and toss the gift for your child to Santa's bag, you can do it. Only remember to wrap it and tag it with your child's name. Gifts are not limited to children only. Santa is here for everyone.

As usually, similarly to our previous dinners we ask for your help. Each family can prepare different traditional Christmas Polish and American meals. We will be in touch with you.

PRAYERS FOR OUR DECEASED

Thank you very much for All Souls Masses offered in our church. Why the names are so important to be mentioned during Mass? Because man dies twice – first, when God calls him/her to Himself; the second time – when people stop to mention his/her name and pray for them.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



NEW MEMBERS OFFICIALLY WELCOMED TO ST. VALENTINE'S

Recently two members joined our Parish. First one is James Kristian, lifetime member but always with the "family plan". Now James after his graduation and starting his job career and adult life decided to be an independent member of the PNCC. We are proud of you, James, that you are the responsible man, matured in faith. Congratulations to your parents for growing you well. Hopefully you can be an example to other young parishioners to cut the cord and to become and adult member of the Polish National Catholic Church.



The second new member is our long time sympathizer and friend – Frank Brzozowski. Frank is well known already by many of us, always participating in our parish events and supporting St. Valentine's. Frank, we are very happy that you wish to continue your Catholic faith within our community. For these two new members glory be to God.

PARISH OFFICE SUPPLIES AND CHURCH HALL SUPPLIES



Big thanks to Chris Jeblonski and his Family for supporting St. Valentine's in purchasing copy paper and other office supplies.

We are still in need of the envelopes, post stamps, paper and toner. Also our church hall is in need of paper towels, toilet paper, napkins and coffee. Your donations are very appreciated. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH

Polish National Catholic Church

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 33 Niedziela Zwykła

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