

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 11, 2020 – **28 Ordinary Sunday / Solemnity – Christian Family**

9:30 AM – Holy Mass (also available online on YouTube & Facebook)

† Raymond Farnicki – requested by Julie, Cliff and Jodie Brown

Monday, October 12, 2020 – **Weekday**

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 – **Weekday**

Wednesday, October 14, 2020 – **Weekday**

Thursday, October 15, 2020 – **Weekday**

Friday, October 16, 2020 – **Weekday**

Saturday, October 17, 2020 – **Weekday**

Sunday, October 18, 2020 – **29 Ordinary Sunday**

9:30 AM – Holy Mass (also available online on YouTube & Facebook)

† Aleksandra Wiaderek, Tadeusz Wiaderek, Janusz Wiaderek, Zdzisława Płomińska, Dorota Mendelewska – requested by Ewelina Filyushchenko

10/20/2020	7:00 PM	For All Parishioners of St. John Cantius Parish
10/22/2020	7:00 PM	For All Parishioners of St. John Paul II Parish
10/25/2020	9:30 AM	† Charles Seltner (Birthday) – requested by Julie, Cliff & Jodie Brown
10/28/2020	7:00 PM	OPEN – no intention yet
11/01/2020	9:30 AM	For All Deceased
	2:00 PM	Cemetery - Mass with Procession
11/02/2020	7:00 PM	For All Deceased
11/08/2020	9:30 AM	† Cecylia Kaczmarczyk – requested by Joyce Paluszkiwicz
11/11/2020	7:00 PM	OPEN – no intention yet
11/15/2020	9:30 AM	† Rita Paluszkiwicz – requested by Joyce Paluszkiwicz
11/16/2020	7:00 PM	OPEN – no intention yet
11/21/2020	7:00 PM	OPEN – no intention yet
11/22/2020	9:30 AM	† Thomas Misiewitz – requested by Henry Jackowicz & Marianne Woodland
11/26/2020	9:30 AM	OPEN – no intention yet
11/30/2020	7:00 PM	OPEN – no intention yet

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Let us pray for: Ewelina Filyushchenko, Julie & Cliff Brown, Ed & Florence, Kapuscinski, Josephine Zdanowicz, Anna Mendla, Barbara Ganteski, Joseph Smith, Andy Stachowicz, Wanda Groman, Antoinette Drake, Bernice Michlinski, Alfreada Janczuk, Lucy Lynch, Genevieve Root. If you like to add somebody to this list please let us know.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Parishioners who don't attend Mass in person are still obliged, according to the Constitution of the PNCC, to support the parish weekly. Please mail your Sunday Offering envelopes to Parish Office or donate online using our webpage.

ALL MASSES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE

Although our Masses are available as multi-platform streaming, I always recommend [YouTube](#) as the best Full HD 1080p audio-video quality. Please click the **SUBSCRIBE** button and the **BELL** icon next to it to be notified when the live stream is active.



If your internet speed is slow or if you use some older/slow computer/tablet/smartphone the lower quality stream 720p on [Facebook](#) will be your better option. Also the reliable live stream is embedded on our webpage www.stvalentinespncc.org (the bottom of home/start page or under the tab Watch YouTube).

FAITH SHARING

Today's Scripture readings offer us a standing invitation to the everlasting joy of the Heavenly Banquet and a loving warning to stay ready always for this Heavenly banquet by constantly wearing the wedding garment, i.e., remaining in a state of grace by avoiding sins and by doing good.

In the first reading, Isaiah describes the Messianic banquet on the Lord's mountain in the Holy City of Jerusalem, which Yahweh is preparing for His people. The "Good News" is that it is a great feast of "rich food and choice wines." But, for the children of Israel, the "bad news" is that Yahweh invites all people, including Gentiles, to the banquet.

In the second reading, St. Paul advises the Philippians to put their trust in the power and goodness of a providing God, Who, in Jesus, has given His Church everything His followers will need to participate in the Heavenly Banquet.



In today's Gospel, by telling an allegoric parable of judgment in the Temple of Jerusalem two days before his arrest, Jesus accuses the Jewish religious and civil leaders of rejecting God's invitation to the Heavenly Banquet given to them through God's Own Son, Himself. They have rejected the invitation by not listening to the Good News preached by Jesus and by not reforming their lives. This invitation was repeatedly extended to Israel through the prophets, including John the Baptist. But the leadership contemporary with Jesus have rejected the reality that Jesus was the fulfillment of all prophecy, refused to accept God's invitation to righteous living given through John the Baptist and through Jesus, and is now planning to kill God's own Son, Jesus. Hence, God is inviting the sinners and Gentiles for His banquet, and that is why Jesus is keeping the company of sinners.

WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN FAMILY TODAY

The traditional family is under assault these days. Watch a primetime television program about the family and you will soon discover that fathers are presented as idiotic, mothers as overbearing, and children as wise beyond their years. That's assuming you can find a program portraying a "traditional" family with a husband and a wife.

The "traditional" families are under attack, however, is to acknowledge that our definition of the family is more culturally informed than biblically informed.

What we can definitively say is this: God is the originator of the family and continues to hold the patent. The ideal, established at the beginning of humanity, is for one man and one woman to join in a spiritually and physically committed union for a lifetime, conceiving and rearing children.

Clearly, this model is not followed today, where single parents, married couples without children, grandparents rearing their grandchildren, and same-sex couples with or without children are called families. But the Lord continues to bless these types of families too, because he loves all of us, even if He doesn't like what we do.

So where does this leave us in trying to define family from a Christian perspective? We can affirm at least this much: **"A Christian family is a group of people who are related to each other through marriage, birth, or adoption and are committed, first and foremost, to the person and work of Jesus Christ, faithfully witnessing to the love, power, and forgiveness of God to a watching world in its unique time and place."**

Let us pray today for our families. Probably it's not perfect, but we love our relatives, right?



SHARE FOOD PROGRAM AT ST. VALENTINE'S

A food box is available for everyone each Wednesday at St. Valentine's. Distribution takes place at the door of our church hall on Melrose Street. Distribution time: **Wednesdays, 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**. Volunteers are welcome, at 8:30 AM to unload the delivery truck.



LIST OF ITEMS YOU CAN DONATE TO ST. VALENTINE'S

Dear Parishioners and Friends, you can help in our Parish budget, if you can donate the items listed below:

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| Clorox or Lysol wipes (any brand) | Lamp Oil (for candles) - Walmart |
| Vacuum bags (For BISSELL Style 7) | Hand held candle lighters |
| Toilet paper | Copy paper (any brand) |
| Paper towels | Windex (any size) |
| Liquid hand soap | Dawn (any size) |
| Printer toner (Brother TN730 or TN 760 - Amazon) | Printer toner (For Xerox WorkCentre 6515) - Amazon |

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28 Niedziela Zwyczajna

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