ST. VALENTINE'S PARISH, PHILADALPHIA, PA

SUNDAY MARCH 10th INSTITUION OF THE PNCC, (WHITE)

9:30AM Mass for the Living and Deceased of the PNCC and St . Valentine's Parish.

MONDAY MARCH 11th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

8AM Mass for the intentions of our Parish Family.

TUESDAY MARCH 12th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

8AM Mass for an increase of Vocations.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13th

NO MASS TODAY. Fr. Carmen will attend a meeting of The Christian Communities Gathering in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Fr. Carmen can be reached at **(570)351-1584.** Fr. Carmen will be home in the evening.

THURSDAY MARCH 14th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

8AM Mass for the health of the sick.

FRIDAY MARCH 15th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

BEWARE THE IDES OF MARCH

8AM Mass for the soul of the departed Bishop Daniel Cyganowksi; 31st Anni of death.

SUNDAY MARCH 17th PASSION SUNDAY, (PURPLE)

LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34 LESSON: Hebrews5:7-9 GOSPEL: St. John 20:20-23

9:30AM Mass for the departed Elizabeth Boyk; 60th Anni of death.

MARK YOUR CALENDERS: MARCH 24th Palm Sunday; MARCH 31st Easter Sunday

COVER THE CROSSES: Help is needed to cover the crosses, and statues in Church.

SACRED VOCATIONS: Please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate.

OUR CHURCH: In 1896 after much conflict, prayer and acceptance by your grandparents the Polish National Catholic Church came into being as a church onto itself. Fr. Francis Hodur after much prayer and thought went to Scranton, PA on Christmas Eve to celebrate Holy Mass

in the new St. Stanislaus' Church in the Polish Language. Yet much work had to be done. just as much work had to be done here in Philadelphia many years later. As in Scranton and other places your grandparents wanted a Church where they had a say in the life of the Church. Not in how the Mass and Sacraments were celebrated, but in the financial matters. We have such a Church. We have a say in the matters of the Church. We have a church in which we have religious and social life. Our Church was innovative in liturgical reforms. Blessed Prime Francis introduced Mass facing the people. He took care of the financial needs of the people with the Polish National Union when the banks refused loans to the people. We have a Church of our own. Many do not appreciate what we have. Many other groups see what we have and are now apart of it. Let us celebrate today the gift we have. Let us hold fast to it. Also invite others who wish to be apart of this gift of God.

IN NEED OF PRAYER: Joan Pianka.