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**NEWSLETTER**  
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*I will praise the name of God with a song;  
I will magnify him with thanksgiving.*

**Now thank we all...**

The second verse of this hymn, typically sung on Thanksgiving, is a great reflection on the many wonders of God found in November.

*O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us;  
and keep us still in grace,  
and guide us when perplexed;  
and free us from all ills,  
in this world and the next.*

We begin the month rejoicing with the saints, we reflect on our family that is at eternal rest, we vote, remember our veterans, give thanks for all the gifts we have received, celebrate the Kingship of Christ, transition into a new liturgical year, and enter our spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Through it all, God is with us. He is bounteous with love and comfort. His peace will cheer us even in the

midst of war. Our forefathers relied on God for protection and ultimate victory. Regardless of the craziness, ineptitude, and graft in civil politics, no matter who wins the "vote," we know God's government over us is just and truth-filled. To Him we owe our full loyalty. When we are perplexed or sad, when we are beset by trouble, God will guide and free us.

God is constantly with us, in good and bad. Wherever we venture, even when we fall into sin, we will find God there, calling us back, lifting us up. He is there from the moment of our conception, and waits for us with open arms to welcome us home.

As we transition through the month of November let us focus on being thankful - for so many blessings, but most importantly for the fact that our God is with us now and always. Magnify Him in songs of thanksgiving!

## **Month of All Souls**

The Holy Church sets aside the month of November to commemorate those who have preceded us in holy death.

As Christians we recognize that death is not an ending, but rather a change. We pass through death into everlasting life. We remain joined with all those who have died. We rely on them for their intercession on our behalf. They rely on our prayers and intercession to ease their transition, their journey into the glory of heaven.

We will remember our dearly departed during the month of November according to age old Catholic custom of commemoration and prayer...a custom known as "wypominki."

If you would like the souls of loved ones to be remembered during the Commemoration of All Souls and at all services throughout the entire month of November, please send the names of these loved ones to Deacon Jim. You can also E-mail the names of those you wish commemorated to Deacon Jim at [deaconjim@me.com](mailto:deaconjim@me.com).

## **New Ministry of Charity - Soup Kitchen - Volunteers Needed**

We look forward to beginning a new ministry of charity within our parish. On a monthly basis, likely starting in December, we will open a soup kitchen for those in need of a hot meal in a safe and secure environment. If you would like to

volunteer to help, please contact Bob Dominy or Deacon Jim.

## **Pampered Chef Party**



We will be holding a Pampered Chef Fundraiser Party just in time to get your orders in for Christmas, Sunday, November 25th after services. You can pre-order on-line at [www.pamperedchef.biz/barbaraporter](http://www.pamperedchef.biz/barbaraporter)... Click on shop online ... click option 1 and type in Holy Name of Jesus for the organization. We thank you for your support!!!

## **With Thanks**

To All Star Roofing for our new entryway roof.

To John Clas for our new furnaces.

To Mike DonVito for the new roof on our utilities building.

To Art VanBuren for restoring and refurbishing the chapel at our cemetery.

All of you have provided us with beautiful and high quality work. God bless you for sharing your skills and abilities with our Parish.

To all who continue to pray, sacrifice, and serve in Christian love and charity on behalf of our parish.

To the members of our Parish Committee for their hard work and sacrifice!!!!

To our wonderful altar servers, our organist and choir director Liz Battaglia, and to Ed Bertasso for his ministry of hospitality.

To every parishioner, visitor, and member -- you are a blessing and a treasure.

God bless you and reward you! Bóg zapłać! Grazie mille! Thank you!!!

### **Milestones to Celebrate:**

#### Birthdays

3 Tiffany Martucci, Andrew DeCocco  
4 Elizabeth, Gary, and Walter Węglinski  
9 Robert Dominy  
12 Kayla Boyland  
14 Scott Bard, Tom Caulfield  
19 Victoria Konicki  
20 Anthony Heins  
21 Tania Boniecki  
23 Jan Shufelt, Oswald Martucci  
24 Michael Dominy  
26 Julie Slezak  
28 Alice Houser  
30 Deacon Jim

Wishing you all many years! Sto Lat!

### **Rummage/Bake Sale Report Correction**

In our last newsletter we reported raising nearly \$1,200 through our rummage sale. It was actually \$2,000. Thank you to all who supported this effort though your work, donations, and by visiting.

### **Coffee Hour**

Coffee hours continue after services each week. Come and share worship and wonderful treats with

fellowship every week.

### **Poetry for the Month**

Camp Prayer by Adam Kowalski

*O, Lord in Heaven,  
Extend a just hand,  
We call to You from all corners,  
For a Polish roof and a Polish hand.*

*O, Lord, crush the sword that  
slashed our land,  
Let us return to a Poland that's free,  
So that it may be a source of new  
strength,  
Our home, our land.*

*O, Lord, hear our prayers,  
Hear our exile's song,  
From the Warta, the Niemen, the  
Bug and the San Rivers,  
The Martyrs' Blood Calls to You.*

*O, Lord, crush the sword that  
slashed our land...*

*O, Lord, see justly, Our battle in the  
darkness of night,  
We fervently pray,  
To break the occupier's might.*

*O, Lord, crush the sword that  
slashed our land...*

Translation unattributed. Written and first sung in October 1939, by Polish soldiers imprisoned in Romania.

*O Panie, któryś jest na niebie,  
Wyciągnij sprawiedliwą dłoń,  
Wołamy ze wszech stron do Ciebie  
O polski dach i polską dłoń.*

*O Panie, skrusz ten miecz, co siekł  
nasz kraj,  
Do wolnej Polski nam powrócić daj,  
By stał się źródłem nowej siły*

*Nasz dom, nasz kraj.*

*O Panie, usłysz prośby nasze,  
Wysłuchaj nasz tułaczy śpiew,  
Znad Warty, Niemna, Bugu, Sanu,  
Męczeńska do Cię woła krew.*

*O Panie, skrusz ten miecz, co siekł  
nasz kraj...*

*O Panie, wejrzyj sprawiedliwie  
Na walkę naszą w ciemną noc.  
Modlimy się o to gorliwie,  
By okupanta złamać moc.*

*O Panie, skrusz ten miecz, co siekł  
nasz kraj...*

### **Planning For:**

- November 4: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time/Daylight Savings Ends
- November 6: Election Day
- November 7: Commemoration – St. Willibrord of Utrecht
- November 11: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- November 18: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- November 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- November 22: Thanksgiving
- November 25: Solemnity of Christ the King/Pampered Chef Party after church
- November 30: Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle

Stay tuned for:

- Advent
- Our First Community Soup Sunday
- Our Parish Vigil Dinner/Wigilia and

Youth Performance

- Greening of the Church
- Christmas
- St. Stephen's Day
- 2013 - wow!!!!

### **Parish Organizations and Ministries**

Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? God calls us to work together for the good of our community, in support of each other, and for the needs of the Church. The YMSofR – Men's Society of the Resurrection Branch 56, ANS – Women's Adoration Society, Choir, Parish Committee, and a hopefully reconstituted branch of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. We also need altar servers and lectors. Please see Deacon Jim.

**You can get a guaranteed 3% return on your money!**

The PNUA - our Fraternal Insurance Company offers several programs that help to meet your financial planning needs. If you set up a plan **before December 31st** you will lock in a 3% rate of return. Try to get that at any bank. The PNUA is also a great way to build equity for our young people in preparation for college. PNUA policies make a great Christmas gift. Act now. Call the offices of the Polish National Union of America toll-free at 1-800-724-6352.

# November 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 All Saints Day Service of Worship and Holy Communion, Remembrance of the Faithful Departed at 7:30pm	2 All Souls Day	3
4 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Holy Mass, 11am Lector: Marilyn Heitala	5 Election Day – please vote	6 Commemoration – St. Willibrord of Utrecht	7	8	9	10
11 Veteran's Day Narodowe Święto Niepodległości 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Claudia Bertasso	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Larry Panfil Parish Committee Meets	19	20	21 Solemnity - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	22 Thanksgiving	23	24
25 Solemnity of Christ the King Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala Pampered Chef Party	26	27	28	29	30 Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle	

## EVENTS

### December Upcoming

- 2nd – 1st Sunday of Advent

- 6th – St. Nicholas/Św. Mikołaj
- 8th – Conception of the B.V.M.
- 9th – 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Vigil Dinner
- Greening of the Church
- Wigilia and Christmas