

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time XVII Niedziela zwykła

October 6, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Psalm: Ps 95:1-2,6-9

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Epistle: 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Intention: For all parishioners

Worship leader: 9:30am Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:25am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Blessing of Pets
- Coffee Hour, SOCL Class, Craft Fair - Kids Crafts

Solemnity of the Christian Family Święto Chrześcijańskiej Rodziny

October 13, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Genesis 1:26-28,31

Psalm: 128:1-5

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.

Epistle: Ephesians 6:1-9

Gospel: Luke 2:42-52

Intention: For all Christian Families and an Increase in Family Faithfulness

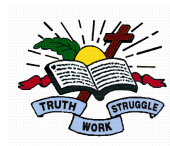
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“Blessed is the servant who loves his brother as much when he is sick and useless as when he is well and can be of service to him. And blessed is he who loves his brother as well when he is afar off as when he is by his side, and who would say nothing behind his back he might not, in love, say before his face.”
– St. Francis of Assisi

Sick Calls and Hospital Visits – Please know that hospitals will not advise parishes when an individual is admitted. Health confidentiality regulations prevent them from doing so. If someone is admitted please let Deacon Jim know so he might visit, pray with them, and bring Jesus’ healing presence to them. Parishioners in need of anointing should contact Fr. Mark Gnidzinski at 518-437-1889.

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Upcoming...

- **October 6: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Blessing of Pets**
- **October 7: Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary**
- **October 12: Craft Fair @ Rotterdam Senior Citizens**
- **October 13: Solemnity of the Christian Family**
- **October 18: feast – St. Luke the Evangelist**
- **October 20: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Heritage Sunday/Parish Committee Meeting**
- **October 24: Feast – St. Raphael the Archangel**
- **October 26: Baptism @ 2PM**
- **October 27: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Sunday Lunch/Children’s Worship @ 11 and Halloween Party @ Noon**

Keep Inviting...

Remember– we must continue to invite our friends, neighbors, and relatives to Church. Keep at it!

Lord, increase my... faith, soften my heart!

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Francis began his life as a confirmed sinner. His father was a wealthy cloth merchant who owned farmland around Assisi. Francis wanted for nothing and was spoiled. He indulged in fine food, wine, and women, and left school at the age of 14. By this time, he was well known as a wild teenager who partied and broke the city curfew. He was also known for his charm with women and for being a great dresser.

Francis did learn the skills of archery, wrestling and horsemanship. While expected to follow his father into the family textile business, he dreamed of other pursuits. Instead of planning a future as a merchant, he daydreamed of being a knight; and if Francis had any ambition,

it was to be a war hero like the knights he admired. In 1202, war broke out between Assisi and Perugia, and Francis eagerly took his place with the cavalry.

People aren’t very good at softening their hearts. We are, unfortunately, pretty good at hardening them. Think of someone who holds a grudge, hasn’t spoken with a family member in years, or has closed their heart to the needs of others. We don’t often see them have a change of heart, a softening, unless someone intervenes...

Francis and the men of Assisi came under heavy attack by superior forces and ran. Many were killed. Most of the surviving Assisi troops were put to death. Dressed like an aristocrat and worthy of a decent ransom, Francis was captured. Francis spent nearly a year in a miserable prison cell waiting for his father to ransom him. It was there that he first heard God’s call...

The One who can soften our hearts, who intervenes, is Jesus. Through the work of the Holy Spirit, Jesus calls us to listen, to repent, and to soften our hearts – to have deeper faith. Like Francis, we have to listen for God’s call. We have to accept Him in faith and allow Him to soften our hearts and build our faith. Today’s psalm speaks of the life Francis went on to live once his heart was softened:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him. Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us. For he is our God, and we are the people he shepherds...

The Holy Spirit worked to plant the seed of faith in Francis. We all have that seed of faith in us, the whole world does, but like Francis we have to open our ears to God’s call. We have to let Him soften our hearts, build our faith, so that like Francis we can serve Him in joy.

"So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ."

Romans 10:17

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Revelation 11:19-12:1
MONDAY: 2 Samuel 6:2
TUESDAY: Luke 1:39
WEDNESDAY: 2 Samuel 6:9
THURSDAY: Luke 1:43
FRIDAY: 2 Samuel 6:11
SATURDAY: Luke 1:43

Pray

Lord Jesus, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, grant me the grace to carry You into the world revealing Your love.

What’s with the Rosary?

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Mother of the Rosary. This brings up the typical questions among most Christians – What’s with this rosary; and Are you praying to Mary?

On the question of Mary, the Church has reflected on the right role of Mary and our relationship with her for centuries. This is only right since people have too often misunderstood her role. Some have chosen to over emphasize Mary’s role, over exaggerating her part in the history of salvation; others completely write-off the role of Mary attempting to downplay her part in the history of salvation.

The Church teaches that we must venerate Mary as the Virgin Mother of God. She is the chosen vessel who **accepted** the word of God in faith, humility and obedience. Through her faith and cooperation God entered the world. We are to follow her example in accepting God into our lives, cooperating with Him, so that others may recognize God’s salvation. We are also called upon to venerate Mary as we do with all the saints. Her role, like all the saints, is to intercede for our needs before God. We must be careful not to overplay her role, nor to understate it.

On the question of the rosary, the Church offers this form of devotion as a pious practice for those inclined to this type of prayer. The key to the rosary is that it is contemplative prayer – practiced rhythmic prayer – that helps us in coming into God’s presence. We are NOT praying to Mary. As we focus on Jesus’ life through this form of prayer we ask God to give us the grace to be more like Him, to follow Jesus’ as our way, the truth, and the life.

Blessing of Pets – Welcome

We welcome you and your furry, feathered, and scaled friends for today’s special blessing. Thank you to all who brought in donations of pet supplies for local pet shelters.

Craft Fair this Saturday

We will be holding a seasonal/holiday craft fair on Saturday, October 12th from 9am till 4:30pm at the Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center, 2639 Hamburg St., Schenectady. Stephanie Dominy, Gayle Clas, and Kelly Supinski are leading this effort. Thank you to all who have volunteered to assist. Please attend and invite friends, neighbors, and co-workers to do so too. With God’s grace and our work we will be blessed once again.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next event is Sunday, October 27th. Please be sure to continue to invite friends, family, and everyone you know to partake every month. There is no cost or charge for this meal. This service opens our home to all in need of a little company, a warm meal, and the love of Christ.

Of note...

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Kay Kaminski, Joseph and Lee Callahan, Tom Caulfield, Debbie Urban, Ann Marie Riley, George Williams, Diane Avellino, Laura Covari, Ellen Carey, Connie Cola, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Carol Kosik, Eddy Stutz, Jim Kelly, Phil Haberman, Stanley Radzynski, Joseph Lyman, Sandy Davis, Erin Smith, Margaret Bondi, Sharon Nasner, Dan, Kym, Maggie and Hannah Bucham, Ray Callanan, Jeannie Christopher, Connie Gigliotti, Joe Avellino, Jan Shufelt, Deanna Colfels, Cathy France, Patty Martel-Baum, Rick Rodino, Judy Springer, Deb Couns, Judy Palmer, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Luke Sobiechowski, Mark McCarthy, Bonnie Nelson, Rosemary Ragule, Lisa Caporizzo, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Judy Held, Stefan Weglinski, Janet Spurck, Joannie True, Robert Dominy, Patricia Lewis, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Jakub Kozina, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak, Edward Glover, Tamara Albury, Melissa Dixon, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Laverne Dowdell, Curtis Scepkowski, Richard, Bishop John

- All in need of God’s healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- All those in Public Service, Police Officers and Fire Fighters.
- All Active And Retired Clergy of the Holy Polish National Catholic Church.
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in our Holy Polish National Catholic Church. This week we remember: St. Valentine’s Parish in Northampton, MA its congregation and pastor, the Rev. Adam Czarnecki.

Bless them, O Lord!
Pobłogosław im, O Boże!

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour has returned. Join us after worship every Sunday. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and God bless you for your ministry of hospitality in providing for this time to gather after services every week.

Parish Organizations: Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? 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. See Deacon Jim.