



# ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Sunday, October 11, 2015*

*Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow. Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

8:00 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her to scepter and throne, and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her, nor did I liken any priceless gem to her; because all gold, in view of her, is a little sand, and before her, silver is to be accounted mire.

Beyond health and comeliness I loved her, and I chose to have her rather than the light, because the splendor of her never yields to sleep. Yet all good things together came to me in her company, and countless riches at her hands.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Return, O LORD! How long?

Have pity on your servants!

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. Make us glad, for the days when you afflicted us, for the years when we saw evil.

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Let your work be seen by your servants and your glory by their children; and may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

READING 2 - Hebrews 4:12-13

Brothers and sisters: Indeed the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart. No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must render an account.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL - Mark 10:17-30

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother." He replied and said to him, "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, | for he had many possessions.

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" The disciples were amazed at his words. So Jesus again said to them in reply, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." Peter began to say to him, "We have given up everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age: houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**R/: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Just As I Am"

COMMUNION HYMN- "Here I Am, Lord"

RECESSIONAL - "Prayer of St. Francis"

## ST. DENIS and COMPANIONS (d.258)

October 9

According to tradition, St. Denis was born in Italy. About the year 250, he went to France with six companions and became the first Bishop of Paris. Denis was arrested with two of his companions, Rusticus and Eleutherius, because of their efforts to convert the citizens of Rome to Christianity. They suffered martyrdom in 258 under the persecution of Decius. The Benedictine abbey of Denis was built over their burial site.



Legend says he was put to death at Montmartre, "the Martyr's Mount," in that city and after execution walked with his head under his arm to the present site of the abbey that bears his name. In art he is represented as a bishop holding his head in his hands. He is honored as the patron of Paris and of France.

His prayer: Lord, you send disciples to all the nations, send your truth to all people. Amen.

## BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY - Henri Nouwen THE SACRAMENT OF UNITY

The Eucharist is the sacrament of unity. It makes us into one body. The apostle Paul writes, "As there is one loaf, so we, although there are many of us, are one single body, for we all share in the one loaf" (Corinthians 10:17).

The Eucharist is much more than a place we celebrate our unity in Christ. The Eucharist creates this unity. By eating from the same bread and drinking from the same cup, we become the body of Christ present in the world. Just as Christ becomes really present to us in the breaking of the bread, we become really present to one another as brothers and sisters of Christ, members of the same body. Thus, the Eucharist not only signifies unity but also creates it.

Just a shout out  
to thank all those who helped  
with the Blessing of the Animals



especially Thomas Et Lorraine Kompa!  
God Bless all the animal lovers!!!

## MOTHER TERESA, IN MY OWN WORDS

"Who are we to accuse anybody? It is possible that we see them do something we think is not right, but we do not know why they are doing it. Jesus encouraged us not to judge anyone. Maybe we are the ones responsible for others doing things we think are not right. Let us not forget that we are dealing with our brothers and sisters. They, too, have been created by a greater love. This is something we should

never forget. That sick person, that alcoholic, that thief, are my brothers and sisters.

It is possible that they find themselves abandoned in the street because no one gave them love and understanding. You and I could be in their place if we had not received love and understanding from other human beings. I will never forget the alcoholic man who told me his story. He was a man who had surrendered to alcohol to forget the fact that no one loved him. Before we judge the poor, we have the duty to look inside ourselves."

## ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS - Helen Steiner Rice LET HIM LEAD YOU

Take the Savior's loving hand and do not try to understand, just let Him lead you where He will, through pastures green, by waters still.

"Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture." —Psalm 100:3

Today follow the Shepherd. Encourage the sheep who have strayed to return to the fold!

## JUST A THOUGHT

"People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." —Quoted by Maya Angelou



## MARK THE DATE!

Sunday, December 5, 2015 - 3 p.m.

Christmas Fund-raiser Dinner. Ask how you can help.