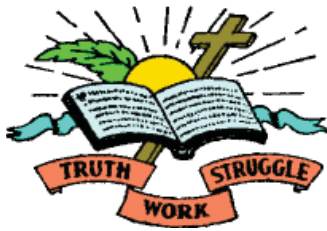


ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace! — St. Francis

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November 14, 2010

Thirty-Third 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.

ENTRANCE HYMN - "Hymn of Faith"

MASS BOOK - page 63

READING I - Mal 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let the sea and what fills it resound, the world and those who dwell in it; let the rivers clap their hands, the mountains shout with them for joy.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to rule the earth, He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

READING II - 2 Thes 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters: You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

Priest or Cantor: Alleluia (3x)

R./ Alleluia (3x). Verse R./ Alleluia (3x).

GOSPEL - Luke 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here-- the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." This the gospel of the Lord.

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

GENERAL CONCESSIONS: God, Hear Us!

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Come Unto Jesus"

OUR FATHER - page 95

COMMUNION - "Down to the River to Pray"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

THE GOD WHO COMFORTS US

Comfort is a rare and wonderful gift. Do you remember a time when you were a kid and you badly needed some comfort? Perhaps it was something as simple as a skinned knee, but your mother took it seriously and gave you comfort by kissing and then bandaging the hurt and telling you everything would be all right. Or maybe as you got older and someone you cared about hurt you deeply, a friend comforted you with words of encouragement.

Such memories are warm and wonderful. Yet sometimes the comfort of a loved one isn't enough. Sometimes the hurt is so deep that no human words can help relieve the pain. No mere bandage can cover the damage.

That's when you need to look beyond human comfort to something much more effective—the comfort of God. This isn't some mystical, faraway concept. God really does provide comfort to those who call upon Him in times of need. The trouble is that many people are so busy blaming God for their troubles that they don't even realize how close He is and how much He wants to comfort them. Unlike human comfort which feels good for a moment, God's comfort supplies strength for a lifetime.

The meaning of comfort takes on significance when it describes God's actions towards us. When the bible talks about God's comfort, it describes a comfort of strength and refreshment. At the root of God's comfort is the idea of nearness. Indeed, when He comforts us, God calls us near.

Is God calling you near in your time of trouble? Go to Him in prayer and through His Word. There you'll find strength, safety and solace. Are you hurting? Do you struggle with loneliness? God wants you draw near to Him so you can feel His overwhelming love. Go ahead. Ask God for His comfort in every detail of your life.

CHURCH NEEDS: Our sanctuary is in need of several new items and we need a little help! We are hoping that these items would be donated or given with intention for the living or deceased or in honor, of a Joyous or Healing occasion. Please see Fr. Andrew if you are interested in such a donation. Thank you and God Bless!

1. Holy Water Pot
2. Cruet Set and Tray
3. White Altar Cloths
4. Chalice Pall (2)
5. Lavabo Towel (2)
6. Altar Servers Albs (2)
7. Wheat Altar Bread

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY - Henri Nouwen THE FRUIT OF OUR COMMUNAL LIFE

Our society encourages individualism. We are constantly made to believe that everything we think, say, or do is our personal accomplishment, deserving individual attention. But as people who belong to the communion of saints, we know that anything of spiritual value is not the result of individual accomplishment but the fruit of a communal life.

Whatever we know about God and God's love, whatever we know about Jesus - his life, death and resurrection - whatever we know about the Church and its ministry, is not the invention of our minds asking for an award. It is the knowledge that has come to us through the ages from the people of Israel and the prophets, from Jesus and the saints, and from all who have played roles in the formation of our hearts. True spiritual knowledge belongs to the communion of saints.

ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS - Helen Steiner Rice THE FULLNESS OF LIVING

The joy of enjoying and the fullness of living are found in the heart that is filled with thanksgiving.

'There is a deceit in the hearts of those who plot evil, but joy for those who promote peace.' – Proverbs 12:20

Today let your heart overflow with gratitude and your joy will increase!

ST. FRANCIS NOTES ...

"THANK YOU SOOOO MUCH" to a special St. Francis angel, Carole Fitzgerald, who purchased the much-needed purificators and corporals for our humble Parish.



SAVE THE DATES for UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2010

Christ the King Church

Fifth Avenue, East Meadow

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

followed by Hot Breakfast in hall

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2010 - 8 PM

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Temple Emanuel

123 Merrick Avenue, East Meadow

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010 - 3 PM

St. Francis Christmas Dinner Fundraiser

with St. Nicholas & Caroling

Ask how you can help!!!