

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time - November 17, 2013



Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus
Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow Amen.
Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

9:30 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Reading 1 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 Thessolonians 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/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Verse. R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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 is the gospel of the Lord.

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

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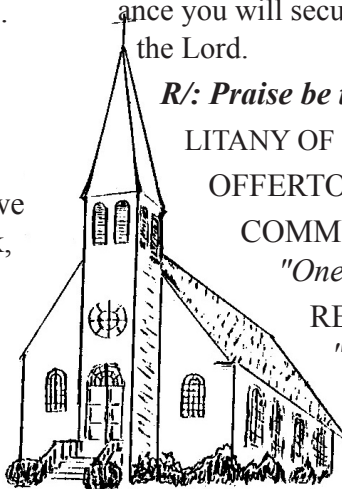
OFFERTORY HYMN - "Taste and See"

COMMUNION HYMN -

"One Bread, One Body"

RECESSIONAL HYMN -

"Be Not Afraid"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

URGENT IMPORTANT

New St. Francis Procedure

In order to prevent fires, the REAL candles MUST be lit BEFORE MASS. After Mass, candles will be blown out. We will not be leaving any burning candles in the church to chance!

(Please remember to pray for our sister PNCC church in Perth Amboy, NJ which was destroyed by fire.)

IN REMEMBRANCE

The St. Francis Parish sets aside the month of November, to remind us to pray for our faithful departed. If you haven't already done so, give Fr. Andrew a list of family and friends you'd like to pray for during the Litany for the Deceased which will follow the Gospel during Mass.

Pray often and fervently for your dear departed during November, certainly, but also at other times of the year. May you find consolation in the reflections and prayers especially when someone close to you has died. By your prayers and good works, and by the offering of holy Mass, you do assist those you love who have left this life before you. In doing so you also help yourself because you must constantly recall that "we have no lasting city here." We are all citizens of heaven exiled on earth only for a time. Christ, our Lord, overcame death on Easter not only for Himself but for us also. Death is but a doorway on whose other side our loved ones and friends wait with God, and an unnumbered throng of angels and saints, to greet you and bid you welcome! May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY - Henri Nouwen ACTING IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Ministry is acting in the Name of Jesus. When all our actions are in the Name, they will bear fruit for eternal life. To act in the Name of Jesus, however, doesn't mean to act as a representative of Jesus or as his spokesperson. It means to act in an intimate communion with him. The Name is like a house, a tent, a dwelling. To act in the Name of Jesus, therefore, means to act from the place where we are united with Jesus in love. To the question "Where are you?" We should be able to answer, "I am in the Name." Then, whatever we do cannot be other than ministry because it will always be Jesus himself who acts in and through us. The final question for all who minister is, "Are you in the Name of Jesus?" When we can say yes to that all of our lives will be ministry.

MARK THE DATES!

Fri, Sat, Sun, November 22, 23, 24, 2013

MCAP presents "The Table," an original comedy by John Blenn, back by popular demand, as a fund-raiser for our Parish. Fri & Sat, 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m. See Joni for tickets (\$12 in advance)

Sunday, November 24 - 8 pm

Annual East Meadow Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at the EM United Methodist Church
470 East Meadow Avenue

Sunday, December 8, 3 p.m.

St. Nicholas Fund-raiser Dinner
All are welcome. Ask how you can help. Cook, donate a raffle prize, set-up, wash dishes, sell raffles at the dinner, etc.



ST. CECILIA, November 22

St. Cecilia, according to Roman legend, was a young patrician woman of Rome who was a Christian. She was filled with love for God to whom she vowed her life and virginity. Forced into marriage by her father, she sang to God on her wedding day, praying for help. Soon after, Valerian, her husband, and Tiburtius, his brother, were miraculously converted to Christianity by a vision and gave themselves to the care of the sick and the burial of the dead.

They were martyred at Pagus Triopus, outside of Rome, along with a Roman official, Maximus, because they refused to sacrifice to the gods. Cecilia buried their bodies, and was herself brought to trial for her beliefs. So persuasive was she that her accusers converted to Christianity. Finally, the perfect, Almachius, sentenced her to be suffocated in the heated bath of her home. Despite the intense heat she was unharmed, so a soldier was sent to behead her. She was struck on the neck three times and lingered for three days before dying. A tomb marking her grave is found in the cemetery of St. Callistus in Rome. St. Cecilia is the patron of musicians.

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CHAIRS FOR HALL



The Table
"Life is on the Menu"



AN ORIGINAL COMEDY
BY JOHN BLENN

WITH ADDITIONAL MATERIAL BY RICH CORAPI

STARRING: Richard Corapi, Donna Morales, Catherine Shim, Victoria Shim, Sierra Shim, Torri DeStefano, Hannah DeLeon, Michael Raimo, Ann Morelli, Scott Interrante, Tracy Frierman, Stacy Rosenberg, Simon, Gina Ehrlich, Mykell Ringhauser, Max Parker, Gene McParland, Sue Gugliotti, John Blenn, Mark D'Agostino, Shelly Gordon, Joanne Ciaramella, Stacy Ross

FRI., NOV. 22 - 7:30 PM
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SUN., NOV. 24 - 2 PM

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