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Solemnity of All Saints (Nov. 1st) - November 3, 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 - Revelations 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel.

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb."

All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed: "Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, "Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?" I said to him, "My lord, you are the one who knows." He said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

The LORD's are the earth and its fullness; the world and those who dwell in it. For he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

Who can ascend the mountain of the LORD? or who may stand in his holy place? One whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean, who desires not what is vain.

R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

He shall receive a blessing from the LORD, a reward from God his savior. Such is the race that seeks him, that seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

READING II - 1 Jn 3:1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure..

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

GOSPEL - Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN -

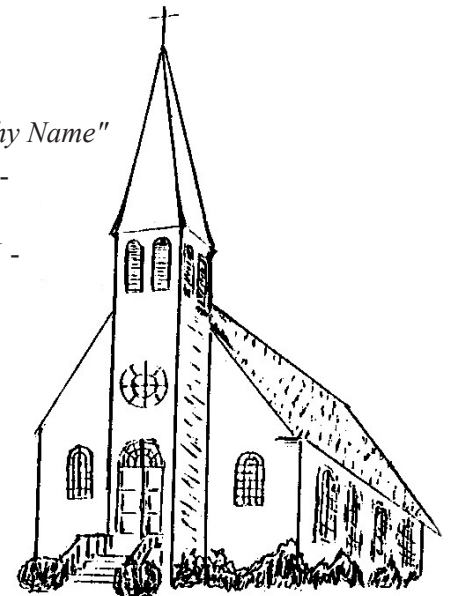
"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

COMMUNION HYMN -

"Be Not Afraid"

RECESSIONAL HYMN -

"Prayer of St. Francis"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

'ALL SAINTS' - November 1

This feast which has its beginnings in the Christian churches of the fifth and sixth centuries celebrates all those saints, canonized or not, who enjoy the happiness of the kingdom of heaven. Our relatives and friends, multitudes unknown "which no one can number from all tribes and peoples and tongues," stand before God's throne in joyful praise. They are remembered this day. God's amazing grace has brought them home.

And we are united to them. The ancient creeds proclaimed a communion of saints, a bond between the Church on earth and those in heaven, a sharing of love and grace. Because of that union the saints inspire those below to follow in their steps; their prayers rise up for us. They remind us of the joy that awaits us and our call to join them as children in our Father's house.

+ For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest!
Alleluia, alleluia! +

'ALL SOULS' - November 2

The early Christians, like their pagan ancestors, remembered their dead on certain days of the year. The present date for our yearly commemoration of the dead was established in the tenth century. We remember the dead prayerfully so that God will "strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in Christ's resurrection."

+ Lord God, Maker of all, Master of life and death, Guard and gift our souls, receive those who go before us on the pilgrimage of death; in due time receive us too when our days are done.

May we come, not troubled by fear, not clinging to this world, not turning from your welcome, but drawn to our life in heaven, blessed and everlasting in Jesus Christ, our Lord. + —St. Gregory Nazianzen

BLESSINGS ...

'The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our blessings.' —Eric Hoffer

'Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has many - Not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some.' —Charles Dickens

'Blessed are those who give without remembering, and who take without forgetting.' —Bernard Meltze

'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' —Acts 20:35

MARK THE DATES!

Tuesday, November 5

Election Day - get out and VOTE!

Tuesday, November 5

Tony Kuzniewski's 80th BIRTHDAY

Monday, November 11

Veterans Day - Be thankful for our VETS!

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, 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.



God loves to get KNEE-MAIL!

- More is accomplished by folding your hands instead of wringing them.

shared by Louise Kuzniewski

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Tony Kuzniewski's 80th, Nov. 5th

Cheryl Haase, Nov. 7th

Iris Cafran, Nov. 8th

Joni Blenn, Nov. 18th

Joe Glovack, Nov. 18th

Linda Frysztacki, Nov. 28th

Fr. Andrew Koterba, Nov. 29th



CORRECTION & APOLOGY: As the person who compiles and prints this bulletin, I humbly apologize for omitting our October Birthdays from last month's bulletins. Hopefully your birthdays were happy, healthy and memorable! :) Joni

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Mary Zaradich, October 10th

Lorraine Kompa, October 16th

Louise Kuzniewski, October 17th



Please do NOT feel shy about ever correcting any erroneous information or reminding me that something has been omitted. Remember, this is OUR ST. FRANCIS CHURCH bulletin!