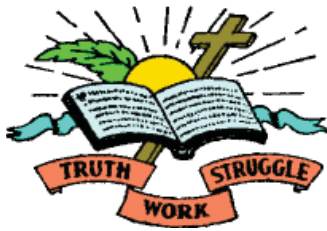


# ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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*November 7, 2010*

*Thirty-Second 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"

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READING I - 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

It happened that seven brothers with their mother were arrested and tortured with whips and scourges by the king, to force them to eat pork in violation of God's law. One of the brothers, speaking for the others, said: "What do you expect to achieve by questioning us? We are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our ancestors." At the point of death he said: "You accursed fiend, you are depriving us of this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up to live again forever. It is for his laws that we are dying."

After him the third suffered their cruel sport. He put out his tongue at once when told to do so, and bravely held out his hands, as he spoke these noble words: "It was from Heaven that I received these; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again." Even the king and his attendants marveled at the young man's courage, because he regarded his sufferings as nothing. After he had died, they tortured and maltreated the fourth brother in the same way. When he was near death, he said, "It is my choice to die at the hands of men with the hope God gives of being raised up by him; but for you, there will be no resurrection to life."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15

***R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.***

Hear, O LORD, a just suit; attend to my outcry;  
hearken to my prayer from lips without deceit.

***R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.***

My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;  
incline your ear to me; hear my word.

***R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.***

Keep me as the apple of your eye, hide me in the shadow of your wings. But I in justice shall behold your face; on waking I shall be content in your presence.

***R. Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.***

READING II - 2 Thes 2:16-3:5

Brothers and sisters: May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word. Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may speed forward and be glorified, as it did among you, and that we may be delivered from perverse and wicked people, for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. We are confident of you in the Lord that what we instruct you, you are doing and will continue to do. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ.

Priest or Cantor: Alleluia (3x)

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

GOSPEL - Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, came forward and put this question to Jesus, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us, If someone's brother dies leaving a wife but no child, his brother must take the wife and raise up descendants for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman but died childless. Then the second and the third married her, and likewise all the seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. Now at the resurrection whose wife will that woman be? For all seven had been married to her." Jesus said to them, "The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise. That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out 'Lord, 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.'" This the gospel of the Lord.

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

GENERAL CONCESSIONS: God, Hear Us!

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Center of My Life"

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COMMUNION - "Here I Am Lord"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "One Spirit One Church"

## St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

### PRAY FOR OUR FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

The Church sets aside the month of November to remind us to pray for our faithfully departed. Many of you also pray daily throughout the year for your beloved dead and for all who have preceded you into the life to come

Everyday, and in each Mass offered, the Church remembers those already in heaven as well as those now being made ready and fit for God's glory. It is 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.

When life is difficult, when you meet temptations and contradictions, you should think of the joy that will one day be yours in the celestial city. Christ, our Lord, overcame death on Easter not only for Himself but for us also. Death is now but a doorway on whose other side your loved ones and friends wait with God, and an unnumbered throng of angels and saints, to greet you and bid you welcome home.

How natural it is to feel keenly the grief, loneliness and pain of loss when death strikes those dear to us! Even Christ, Himself, wept and groaned at the grave of Lazarus, his friend. This pain is lightened by the certainty of your faith, by the assurance that death is not final and by the sure knowledge that you shall rise again to see your loved ones once more, never to be separated again.

Please list the names of departed loved ones, family and friends and submit your list to Fr. Andrew, for special remembrances during each Mass this month. We pray that the souls of all the faithfully departed +Rest in Peace+. Amen.

### BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY...Henri Nouwen TELLING THE STORY OF JESUS

The Church is called to announce the Good News of Jesus to all people and all nations. Besides the many works of mercy by which the Church must make Jesus' love visible, it must also joyfully announce the great mystery of God's salvation through the life, suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The story of Jesus is to be proclaimed and celebrated. Some will hear and rejoice, some will remain indifferent, some will become hostile. The story of Jesus will not always be accepted, but it must be told.

We who know the story and try to live it out have the joyful task of telling it to others. When our words rise from hearts full of love and gratitude, they will bear fruit, whether we can see this or not.

### ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS...Helen Steiner Rice RELATION WITH GOD

Take ample time for heartfelt conversation, establish with our Father an unbreakable relation.

'A word aptly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.' -Proverbs 25:11

Today converse with God morning, noon & night!

### HOPE HAPPENS!

• God grant me the SERENITY to accept the things I cannot change; the COURAGE to change the things I can and the WISDOM to know the difference. -Anonymous

• It's OK to be down in the dumps—just don't stay there too long. -Catherine DeVrye

• Grant that I may be given appropriate difficulties and sufferings in this JOURNEY so that my heart might be truly AWAKENED and my practice of universal liberation and COMPASSION may be truly fulfilled.

-Tibetan prayer



**SAVE THE DATE for**  
**ST. FRANCIS UPCOMING EVENT**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010**  
Christmas Dinner Fundraiser