St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

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

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April 10, 2016 - Third Sunday of Easter

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

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

9:00 AM - "Christ Is Risen"

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READING I - Acts 5:27-32

When the captain and the court officers

had brought the apostles in and made them stand before the Sanhedrin, the high priest questioned them, "We gave you strict orders, did we not, to stop teaching in that name? Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and want to bring this man's blood upon us." But Peter and the apostles said in reply, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus, though you had him killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as leader and savior to grant Israel repentance and forgiveness of sins. We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Sanhedrin ordered the apostles to stop speaking in the name of Jesus, and dismissed them. So they left the presence of the Sanhedrin, rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

*R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. At nightfall, weeping enters in, but with the dawn, rejoicing.

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; O LORD, be my helper. You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

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READING II - Rev 5:11-14

I, John, looked and heard the voices of many angels who surrounded the throne and the living creatures and the elders. They were countless in number, and they cried out in a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to

receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing." Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, everything in the universe, cry out: "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever." The four living creatures answered, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Christ is risen, creator of all; he has shown

pity on all people.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL - John 21:1-14

At that time, Jesus revealed himself to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "He also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore, full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead. This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Come Ye Faithful"

COMMUNION - "Come Rejoice Our Lord Is Risen"

RECESSIONAL - "Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

KEEP CELEBRATING EASTER - 2016!

QUOTABLE:

"Happiness is not having what you want, but wanting what you have."

—Rabbi Hyman Schachtel (1907-1990)
U.S. clergyman
(shared by Linda Frysztacki)

ST. STANISLAUS, (1030-1097), April 11

St. Stanislaus was born at Szczeyanow, Poland, on July 26, 1030 into a wealthy and noble family. He was educated at Cracow and ordained to the priesthood by Lampert Zula, Bishop of Cracow. in 1072, Stanislaus became Bishop of Cracow. He was the poplar choice of both the people and his predecessor, Bishop Lampert. They revered him for his holiness and priestly devotion to the poor. As bishop, he continued to teach the message of Christ and generously served those in need.

Poland then was ruled by King Boleslaus II, a man whose sensual and cruel tendencies caused great harm to his nation. Stanislaus repeatedly admonished the ruler about his wrongdoings, until finally he excommunicated him from the Church. Enraged by the action, Boleslaus entered the chapel of St. Michael outside Cracow, where the bishop was celebrating Mass and killed him with his own sword. Boleslaus had the

body dismembered and sought to Aide it, but the saint's relics ware recovered and placed in veneration at the cathedral in Cracow. Stanisiaus died in 1097. His prayer: Lord help us be strong and loyal to our faith, and protect those who proclaim your word. Amen.

TODAY - PLEASE STAY WITH US!!

Sunday, April 10 - around 10:30-ish
Annual Parish Council Meeting
All Are Invited to Be Heard
AND Share Ideas

CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF NEW LIFE!

I asked God for all things, so I could enjoy life. He gave me life, so I could enjoy all things.

ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS Helen Steiner Rice THE STREET OF DREAMS

Just as we fall beside the road, discouraged with life, bowed down with the load, we lift our eyes, and what seemed a dead end is the street of dreams, where we meet a friend. "The Lord sustains the humble."

—Psalm 147:6

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY Henri Nouwen GOING BEYOND OUR WANTS

Sometimes we behave like children in a toy shop. We want this, and that, and then something else. The many options confuse us and create an enormous restlessness in us. When

someone says, "Well, what do you want? You can have one thing. Make up your mind," we do not know what to choose.

As long as our hearts keep vacillating among these many wants, we cannot move forward in life with inner peace and joy. That is why we need inner and outer disciplines, to go beyond these wants and discover our mission in life.



St Stanislaus