

St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

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Saturday, June 2, 2012 Confirmation of Henry Zaradich



PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Blessed Is Him Who Trusts
in God Almighty"

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow. Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

1:00 PM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Corinthians 12, 4-13

There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord; there are different works but the same God who accomplishes all of them in everyone.

To each person the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one the Spirit gives wisdom in discourse, to another the power to express knowledge. Through the Spirit one receives faith; by the same Spirit another is given the gift of healing and still another miraculous powers. Prophecy is given to one; to another power to distinguish one spirits from another. One receives the gift of tongues, another that of interpreting the tongues. But it is one and the same Spirit who produces all these gifts, distributing them to each as he wills.

The body is one and has many members, but all the members, many though they are, are one body and so it is with Christ. It was in one Spirit that all of us, whether Jew or Greek, slave or free were baptized into one body. All of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit. This is the Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 104

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have wrought them all. The earth is full of your creatures.

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

They all look to you to give them food in due time. When you give it to them, they gather it; When you open your hand, they are filled with good things. All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created, And you renew the face of the earth. May the glory of the Lord endure forever; May the Lord be glad in his works!

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I sing to praise to my God while I live. Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the Lord.

All: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Father will send you the Holy Spirit, says the Lord, to be with you for ever.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL - Luke

Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been reared, and entering the synagogue on the Sabbath as he was in the habit of doing, he stood up to do the reading. When the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed him, He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, therefore he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, and release to prisoners to announce a year of favor from the Lord. Rolling up the scroll, he gave it back to the assistant, and sat down. All in the synagogue had their eyes fixed on him. Then he began by saying to them, "Today, this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." All who were resent spoke favorably of him. This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN - "Hymn to the Holy Spirit"

OFFERTORY HYMN - "In Thy Protection"

COMMUNION HYMNS -

"In Love We Gather" & "Hear I Am Lord"

POST COMMUNION HYMN - "Walk with Him Lord"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "The Doxology"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompasitions" Congratulations to our Henry Zaradich as he is confirmed today. May the Holy Spirit reside within him always.

WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

Confirmation is a rite of initiation in Christian churches, carried out through anointing and/or the laying on of hands and prayer for the purpose of bestowing the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

Within Christianity, confirmation is seen as the sealing of the covenant made in Holy Baptism. In Catholic Church, confirmation "renders the bond with the Church more perfect", because a baptized person is already a full member.

Confirmation is a sacrament. Among Catholics who practice teen-aged confirmation, the practice may be perceived, secondarily, as a "coming of age" rite.

ST. JUSTIN (100-165) Martyr, June 1st

St. Justin was born at Nablus, Palestine, about the year 100 to a family of pagan Greek origin. As a young man he looked for truth from the many philosophies and teachers of his time, especially Plato. However, he found Platonism wanting and lacking the answers to his questions. Walking along the seashore one day, he met an old man who asked him what he was looking for. Justin answered, "The meaning of life." The stranger replied that only God could teach him that, and told him to, turn to the Christian faith that Jesus Christ revealed. After prayer and study, Justin became a Christian when he was about thirty years old. From his own experience, Justin knew there were many people like himself searching for truth, so he began writing and teaching about Christianity in Rome and other great cities. He addressed himself to Emperor Antoninus, the Roman Senate, and influential teachers and figures of his time. Not only did he propose the beauty and wisdom of his faith, but he also answered those who misrepresented or ridiculed the Christian religion. He is considered to be the first Christian 'apologist,' or defender of the faith, of the second century. His two great writings are Apologies and Dialogue with Trypho. Justin opened a school in Rome where his

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS for 2012

- June 3 For health needs of the Temkey Family offered by St. Francis Parish and in memory of Charles Kirchner and Theodore Srubas
- June 10 In memory of parents Michael & Anna Ruggiero and Joseph & Mary Margaret Piro offered by Bill & Rea Piro
- June 17 For health needs of William Piro (upcoming operation) offered by St. Francis Parish and in memory of Edith Wilders offered by Lorraine & Thomas Kompa
- June 24 In memory of Frances Parisi, John J. Smith, Anne Kostynick, Laura Dunn and Betty Withington offered by Joni & John Blenn

St. Francis Parish sincerely thanks those individuals listed above who donated needed items for our humble church.

teaching increasingly disturbed the authorities. At the instigation of the Cynic philosopher, Crescens, whom he defeated in a debate, Justin was denounced as a Christian and arrested with six companions. The Roman court records contain this account of his trial: Rusticus. the Roman Prefect; "Listen, you are supposed to be an eloquent man and believe you have the truth. If you are beheaded, do you think you will go to heaven?" Justin; "I hope to be rewarded for keeping Christ's teachings, if I suffer as you say." Rusticus; "Come here and sacrifice to the gods." Justin; "No one in his right mind does anything false, when he knows what is true." Rusticus: "You will be tortured without mercy, if you don't do what I tell you." Justin; "Nothing is better than to suffer for Jesus Christ and so to be saved. Then we can stand confidently before the judgement seat of God, when all this world passes away." Justin and the six other Christians who were on trial were sentenced to be scourged and then beheaded for their faith in Jesus Christ. He died in 165. His prayer, May we also reject falsehood and remain loyal to our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SINCERE THANKS

...to Rt. Rev. John E. Mack, Bishop Ordinary, for celebrating with us today on this most joyous occasion of Henry's confirmation;

...to Thomas and Lorraine Kompa, who generously donated perennial knock-out roses and colorful annuals to replenish and beautify the church's flower beds;

...to our organist, Jiselle MacDonald, whose playing and singing totally enhanced Henry's Confirmation service;

...to Henry and Lillian Zaradich, who generously invited all of us to attend the reception in our newly renovated Church Hall;



...to Father Andrej and Monika, who do so much around the church that goes both noticed and unnoticed; and

...to all our Parishioners and loyal Friends who donate time, energy and money to keep St. Francis Parish alive and well! Stolot! 1932-2012 - Our 80th!

MARK THE DATES!

Saturday, June 9, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

East Meadow Pride Day at Speno Park. Please ask how you can help.

Saturday & Sunday, August 25 & 26, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Garage / Yard Sale

Saturday, October 6, 1 p.m.

Blessing of the Animals. Bring your pets.

Sunday, October 14, 3 p.m.

St. Francis Fall Fund-raiser Dinner All are welcome. Ask how you can help.

Sunday, October 21, 9 a.m.

Thomas & Lorraine Kompa's 25th Anniversary Renewal of Marriage Vows

Sunday, December 2, 3 p.m.

St. Nicholas Fund-raiser Dinner All are welcome. Ask how you can help.