



ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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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"

9:00 AM - CONTEMPORARY RITE - Mass Book page 63

READING I - Amos 7:12-15

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

R/: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the lord — for he proclaims peace to his people.
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

R/: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

R/: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The Lord himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him, and salvation, along the way of his steps,.

R/: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

READING II - Eph. 1:3-14

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R./ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** Verse. **R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL - Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy gospel according to St. Mark
Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two, giving them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing on the journey but a walking stick—no food, no traveling bag, not a coin in the purses in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals. "Do not bring a second tunic," he said, and added: "Whatever house you find yourself in, stay there until you leave the locality. If any place will not receive you or hear you, shake its dust from your feet in testimony against them as you leave." With that they went off, preaching the need of repentance. They expelled many demons, anointed the sick with oil, and worked many cures.

This is the gospel of the Lord. R/. Praise be to you Lord, Jesus Christ.

GENERAL CONCESSIONS: **God, Hear Us! or as instructed by Lector**

OFFERTORY HYMN - "We Gather Together"

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COMMUNION HYMNS - "Come Unto Jesus" and "Holy God We Praise Thy Name"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Prayer of St. Francis"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, July 16

The Prophet Elijah ascended Mount Carmel to pray for the heavens to open when the country around him was dry and without water. Finally, he saw a small cloud coming in from the sea bearing life-giving rain. In the twelfth century, Christian hermits came to live and pray on this mountain. In their vision, the cloud was a symbol of Mary, the Mother of God, who brought life to a parched world. They honored her under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and later founded an order devoted to prayer under her patronage.

Most beautiful Mother of God,
Splendor of heaven,

You bring fruitfulness to the earth
and assist us in our needs
Star of the Sea, show yourself a mother to me.
Let the healing rain of your comfort
fall gently upon me.
Hear my voice when I call.
Mother of God,
I place my cause in your hands. Amen.

BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY... Henri Nouwen BECOMING FOOD FOR THE WORLD

When Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, he summarized in these gestures his own life. When Jesus is chosen from all eternity, blessed at his baptism in the Jordan River, broken on the cross, and given as bread to the world. Being chosen, blessed, broken, and given is the sacred journey of the Son of God, Jesus the Christ.

When we take bread, bless it, break it, and give it with the words "This is the Body of Christ," we express our commitment to make our lives conform to the life of Christ. We too want to live as people chosen, blessed, and broken, and thus become food for the world.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat. & Sun., August 29 & 30
HUGE YARD/BASEMENT SALE
Start now bringing in items to sell!



PRAYER, SPEAKING TO GOD

Prayer is directing our affections towards God; it is a devout and friendly talk with Him. It is the tranquility of a mind illumined from above.

Prayer is also a plea for temporal goods that are necessary for earthly life. But those who pray ask the Lord with a true Christian spirit to subordinate their own wills to His; only the heavenly Father knows what one really needs in the temporal order.

Finally, prayer is thanksgiving, that is, an acknowledgment of benefits received, and an offering of all our undertakings to God so that our prayer may be a lasting one.

The Lord manifests Himself to those who pause while in peace and humility of heart. If you look into the murky and turbulent waters, you cannot see your own countenance. If you want the face of Christ to appear in your countenance, pause, collect your thoughts in silence, and shut the door of the soul to the noise of exterior things.

The greetings of the angels and the blessings of the Good are not for those who live in public squares, that is, outside of themselves, agitated and distracted. The sweet "Ave" was addressed to the Virgin Mary when she was absorbed in prayer, in the privacy of her house ... God, in order to be able to speak to the soul and fill it with the knowledge of his love, leads it to the solitude, detaching it from preoccupations of earthly things. He speaks to the ears of those who are silent and makes them hear His secrets.

—From the Sermons of St. Anthony

ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS ...

Helen Steiner Rice - LOVE'S RICHES

The more you love, the more you'll find that life is good and friends are kind, and only what we give away enriches us from day to day.

"What a man desires is unfailing love."

—Proverbs 19:22

Today maintain a spirit of cooperation, harmony, fidelity and allegiance!