## St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

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Sunday, August 12, 2012 Nineteenth 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.

8:00 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat. Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 *R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.* 

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

## R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Glorify the LORD with me, Let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me And delivered me from all my fears.

## R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy. And your faces may not blush with shame. When the afflicted man called out, the LORD heard, And from all his distress he saved him.

## R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. Taste and see how good the LORD is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him. READING 2 - Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Brothers and sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.

So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

R: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Verse.

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## GOSPEL - John 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets: They shall all be taught by God. Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Holy Holy Holy" COMMUNION HYMN - "O Sacrament Most Holy" RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Prayer of St. Francis"

# St. Francis Weekly "Kompasitions"

#### THE ASSUMPTION OF THE **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** August 15

The taking up of the body and soul of the Mother of God into heaven was celebrated in Jerusalem as far back as the fifth century. Gradually various churches of East and West made it part of their calendar. Rejoice with the Mother of God, with angels and saints, and celebrate this great feast: the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. On earth she was a fruitful virgin, in heaven she intercedes for all; through this blessed woman, the Spirit's gifts still flow upon us, and her words teach gentle wisdom. At her assent the earth blossomed: she sought good things for the poor. Now in heaven her care is undiminished, near her Son she seeks the good of us all.

*—adapted from a homily* by the Bishop of Palestine, +650

#### **BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY -**Henri Nouwen HIDDENNESS. A PLACE OF INTIMACY

Hiddenness is an essential quality of the spiritual life. Solitude, silence, ordinary tasks, being with people without great agendas, sleeping, eating, working, playing...all of that without being different from others, that is the life that Jesus lived and the life he asks us to live It is in hiddenness that we, like Jesus, can increase "in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and with people" (Luke 2:52). It is in hiddenness that we can find a true intimacy with God and a true love for people. Even during his active ministry, Jesus continued to return to hidden places to be alone with God. If we don't have a hidden life with God, our public life for God cannot bear fruit.

#### **MARK THE DATES!** Saturday, August 25, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Garage / Yard Sale HERE at St. Francis Church outside at the garage area, under a tent! Start bringing in stuff to Church! Ask how you can help in any way! Sunday, August 26, after breakfast after Mass NOTE: NEW DATE - Parish Meeting in the Hall. 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 LOOK 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. sale! St. Nicholas Fund-raiser Dinner All are welcome. Ask how you can help.







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### **ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE** August 14

This Polish Franciscan priest died in 1941 of a lethal ingestion administered to him in a cell in Auschwitz, Father Kolbe had actually volunteered to die — that is, to take the place of a fellow prisoner condemned to death. In his book Making Saints Kenneth Woodward observes that, upon his papal canonization on November 9, 1982, Maximilian Kolbe became a new kind of Saint, "a martyr of charity." St. Maximilian Kolbe, pray for us!

#### WALK WITH ME

My Jesus, my friend, walk with me today. Hand in hand, guide me to learn and to know what is good. Arm in arm, help me to grow in my faith and in love for others. Side by side, stay by me to protect me and show me your ways. Heart to heart, help me to pray and to be all that You want me to be. Thank You. Jesus, for the special love You have for me. Amen.

#### **PRAY FOR US**

Pray for the victims of our troubled world, pray for those caught in conflict, for the sick, for the addicted, for our faithfully departed, those who hunger and thirst, pray for one another. Pray for Peace!