

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 14, 2011 - Twentieth 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.

9:00 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I -Is 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.

The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants—all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

READING II - Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be

but life from the dead?

For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

Priest/Altar Server: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Verse.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL - Matthew 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon."

But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Come Thou Almighty King"

OUR FATHER -

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COMMUNION HYMN -

"One Bread, One Body"

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"St. Francis Prayer"



St. Francis Weekly "Kompositions"



ST. BERNARD, 1090-1153, "A great medieval celebrity."

His feast day is August 20th. St. Bernard was born at Fontaines, a castle near Dijon, France, in 1090. His was a wealthy and noble family and his father, Tescelin Sorrel, was a Burgundian noble. Bernard was well educated and sent to Chatillon on the Seine for a complete education among secular canons. His mother, whom he loved dearly, died when Bernard was a young man. Deeply touched by her death and with a growing love of God, Bernard entered the Cistercians at Citeaux in 1112. He was joined by thirty-one companions, including four of his brothers and an uncle. The abbot of Citeaux, St. Stephen, sent Bernard and twelve companions, to establish a new monastery in the diocese of Langres in Champagne. In time, Bernard was chosen as the abbot of the monastery of Clairvaux, from which sixty-eight new monasteries were founded throughout Europe by the time of his death. As a monk, Bernard worked tirelessly to strengthen religious life. His sermons and writings, describing the workings of God with the human soul, inspired the people of his time. They were the result of Bernard's own experience of God's grace in his life. The needs of the Church and his society continually called this eloquent saint from his monastery. Popes, bishops, and princes sought his advice in matters of policy and politics. He always sought to keep the Christian faith uncompromised. The hearts of men and women throughout Europe were stirred by the faith and eloquence of the dynamic saint. His great prayers to Mary, the Mother of God; for example, his "Memorare" are witness to his strong devotion to her as well as her Son. His prayer: Lord, what will you have me do? Here is the sign of a perfect spirit. Someone who leaves aside his or her own will so that they no longer seek or desire to do what they want, but only what God wills. Amen.

POWERFUL PRAYERS

Please remember a friend or family member with a special Mass intention, for Requiem or for Health Needs. Dates and cards are available by calling or contacting, Fr. Andrew. Take this opportunity to invite others to join us in these prayers for your intended. God bless!

HALL FOR RENT

Know of someone in need of a hall? for a party or meeting? It's a great space, for a great price, air conditioned, dates available! Call 794-5189.

FLOWERS ABOUND

Thank you all who have come forth with your gifts! We welcome any gift from your garden, a single flower or a floral bouquet to adorn any of our altars. Enlighten our soul and spirit. Please bring your gift before Sunday Mass. Vases are provided. God's blessings!

HIS WORDS - MONEY

"Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle." –Proverbs 23; 4-5

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT

May you find peace and true comfort in our Celebration of the holy Mass, at St. Francis. We welcome all to join our small family each Sunday at 9 a.m. as a member or maintained friend of St. Francis. Our hands are extended to you! Join us after Mass for coffee and a roll or bagel, etc., it's our time to listen, care, and share with each other. The Lord is our light!

**SAVE THE DATES for
ST. FRANCIS UPCOMING EVENTS**
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011 - 1 p.m.
Blessing of the Animals by Father Andrew
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2011 - 3 p.m.
St. Francis Fall Fund-raiser Dinner.
Volunteer to help.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2011 - 3 p.m.
Christmas Dinner Fund-raiser