St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

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

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September 26, 2010 - Twenty-SixthSunday in Ordinary Time

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"

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READING I - Am 6:1a, 4-7

Thus says the LORD the God of hosts: Woe to the complacent in Zion! Lying upon beds of ivory, stretched comfortably on their couches, they eat lambs taken from the flock, and calves from the stall! Improvising to the music of the harp, like David, they devise their own accompaniment. They drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the best oils; yet they are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph! Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Blessed he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The LORD gives sight to the blind. The LORD raises up those who were bowed down; the LORD loves the just. The LORD protects strangers.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

READING II - 1 Timothy 6:11-16

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Iesus Christ that the blessed and only ruler will make manifest at

the proper time, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, and whom no human being has seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

Priest or Cantor: Alleluia (3x)

R./ Alleluia (3x). Verse R./ Alleluia (3x).

★GOSPEL - Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." This the gospel of the Lord.

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

GENERAL CONCESSIONS: God, Hear Us! OFFERTORY HYMN - "Amazing Grace"

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COMMUNION - "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman" RECESSIONAL HYMN - "How Great Thou Art"

- St. Francis Weekly "Kompasitions"-

STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, September 29

Holy Scripture speaks of angels as ministers of God in human affairs. St. Michael defends the honor of God against Satan. St. Gabriel announce to Mary the coming of Jesus. St. Raphael guided Tobias on is journey and brought healing to Tobit, his blind father.\

As servants of God, the angels are instruments of God's hidden providence. They preserve us from harm, give God's wisdom and strength to humanity, and a company us on our journey through life.

GUARDIAN ANGELS, October 2

"He has given his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways" (Psalm 91).

Both the Old and New Testament recognize that God gives each person born into this world an angel guardian. Jesus, calling a little child to him, said that the angels in heaven watch over children such as this one. By a loving providence God reaches into human life to guard, protect and lead us on our way to salvation.

GUARDIAN ANGELS PRAYER

The Lord will send his angel to accompany you and to guide you safely on your way.

Blessed by God who sent is angels to rescue his faithful servants.

"See I am sending an angel before you, to guard you on the way and bring you to the place I have prepared. Be attentive to him and heed his voice."

God our Father, in your loving providence you send your holy angels to watch over us. Hear our prayers, defend us always by their protection and let us share your life with them forever. Amen.

ONE MINUTE DEVOTIONS...Helen Stein Rice ACROSS THE MILES

Father, hear this little prayer, reach across the miles from here to there, so I can feel much closer to those I'm fondest of and they may know I think of them with thankfulness and love.

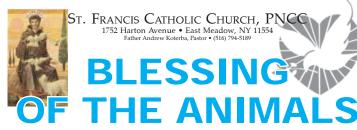
'Answer me when I call to you, O my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.' –Psalm 4:1

Today and tonight capture thoughts of your absent loved ones. Look through your scrapbooks and photograph albums. Pray for your loved ones.

ST. FRANCIS NOTES...

Thank You All Angels: Success again! Our Fall Fundraiser Dinner, last Sunday, was a grand success for our Parish. Again, thank you to all our Parishioners and Friends of St. Francis for all you do! God bless!

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS COME AND GET THEM!!



Saturday, October 2, 2010 • 1:00 p.m.

Bring your
dogs, cats, hamsters,
gerbils, birds, fish, ferrets,
turtles, lizards, etc.
for a special St. Francis blessing...

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BLESSING FOR ALL ANIMALS

Blessed are you, Lord God, Maker of all living creatures, On the fifth and sixth days of creation you called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all animals his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this animal. By the power of your love enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.



SAVE THE DATES for ST. FRANCIS UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2010

Blessing of the Animals by Father Andrew

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2010Christening of Robert Koterba

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010Christmas Dinner Fundraiser

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2010
Choir Concert Fundraiser

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