

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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



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 - Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the LORD, all you humble of the earth, who have observed his law; seek justice, seek humility; perhaps you may be sheltered on the day of the LORD's anger.

But I will leave as a remnant in your midst a people humble and lowly, who shall take refuge in the name of the LORD: the remnant of Israel. They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

*R. Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!*

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

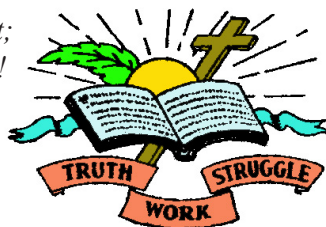
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The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

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

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January 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

READING 2 - 1 Corinthians 1 Cor 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God. It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption, so that, as it is written, "Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord." Alleluia

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

R: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven.

R: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL - Matthew 5:1-12a

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

GENERAL CONCESSIONS

OFFERTORY HYMN - *Cry of the Poor*

COMMUNION HYMN - *Christ Be Our Light*

RECESSIONAL - *Lead Me, Lord*

St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

ST. TIMOTHY AND ST. TITUS, First Century

Their feast day is January 26th. St. Timothy and St. Titus were co-workers of St. Paul in spreading the Gospel to the Gentile world. As he is described in Paul letters, Timothy was young and timid by nature. He was born in Lystra, Asia Minor. His father was Greek; his mother, Eunice, was a devout Jew who instilled in her son a warm, vibrant faith nourished in the Scriptures. Timothy was converted to Christianity by Paul about the year 47. Paul had deep affection for the young man and encouraged him to be unswerving in his ministry. Timothy was with Paul on many of his journeys and was imprisoned with him in Rome. Upon his release, he went to Ephesus and was appointed its first bishop. Tradition reports that Timothy was martyred under Emperor Nerva in 97. St. Titus was converted by Paul and also considered to be one of his closest associates. His solid faith, zeal, and capacity for administration prompted Paul to entrust to him the care of a number of churches in Corinth. Titus was ordained Bishop of Crete by Paul and accompanied him to the Council of Jerusalem. About 65, Paul wrote Titus a letter from Macedonia concerning the spiritual administration of the Christian community of Crete. Reportedly, Titus died at Crete at the age of ninety-three.



*"The Spirit God has given us
in no cowardly spirit,
but one that makes us strong,
loving and wise."
– 2 Timothy 1*

ST. FRANCIS HALL RENTALS

Yes, our hall rentals add a great financial support to our parish. Please, continue to encourage and promote our hall rentals to others. It's a great space for parties or meetings, clean, reasonably priced and dates are available! Call 516-794-5189!

REMEMBER, PRAY FOR OTHERS

In a prayerful way remember others during the Celebration of Mass. You can obtain Mass Intentions for Joyful Occasions, Requiem, or for Health Needs. This remains another opportunity for prayer and a unique time to invite family and friends to join in special remembrances. Please, contact Fr. Andrew, with your intentions. Thank you and God's care, always!

IRS TAX DEDUCTIONS

Tax letters will be out for your St. Francis Charitable Deductions for the tax year 2016 For any information or questions, contact Cheryl Haase.

JOURNEY TOGETHER

Our Parish of St. Francis, remains Christ centered, where love, forgiveness, and respect are our qualities. We encourage all parishioners to share your faith with others. Invite family and friends to share and join in our Celebration of the Eucharist. Welcome all visitors and new members. Participate and promote your parish in all opportunities. Most importantly, keep St. Francis Parish in your prayers, that we may share our faith and grow in our spiritual journey...

Take a moment out and pray...

† † † † † † † † **PRAYER** † † † † † † † †

Health Needs: Jesus, we ask you to bring peace and your healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen.

Health Needs of: Scott Nelson, Toni Panico, Thomas Kompa, Bill Piro, Iris Cafran, Frank Kompa, John Luis Vasquez, Sophia Kyriakakis, Fred Frankel, Robert Haemer, George T. Stumper, Gregory Klein, Michael Arleo, Jim Richards, Nancy Foley, Thomas Maloney, Bill Mullan, Lorri Russo, Tyler & Nicholas Accardi, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Susan Leach, Stella Silva, Joy Realmuto, John Galvin, Michele Feudale, Linda Maloney, Lorraine Avitabile, Fran Pedone, Blanca Vasquez, Marion Kester, Elena Guigui, Bridget Early, Theresa Kasmak, Grandfather Vincent Ciurleo, Emma Zaradich, Joe Stewart, Constance Citrola, Elizabeth Zitzmann, Anne Grusell, Linda Frysztacki, Teresa Kay, Sidra Lewis, Billy Murphy, Ann Klein, Mary Boyle, Con Boyle, John Blenn, Carla Calabrese, George Knott, MaryAnn McEvoy, Gary P. Ribis, Rosalie Drenckhahn, James Kostolni, Anne Klein-Schuer, Eileen McChesney, Patricia Travis, Mike Pope & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

Requiem Intentions Eternal rest give unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

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