

# ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Make me a channel of your peace." —St. Francis

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*Sunday, August 19, 2018*  
*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.

8:00 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Prv 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven columns; she has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table. She has sent out her maidens; she calls from the heights out over the city: "Let whoever is simple turn in here; To the one who lacks understanding, she says, Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed! Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

**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 poor one called out, the LORD heard,  
and from all his distress he saved him.

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

READING 2 - Ephesians 5:15-20

Brothers and sisters: Watch carefully how you live,  
not as foolish persons but as wise, making the  
most of the opportunity, because the days are evil.  
Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to

understand what is the will of the Lord. And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**R:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL - John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowds: "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."

The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me

will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Center of My Life"

COMMUNION HYMN - "Taste and See"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Hail Mary, Gentle Woman"

# *St. Francis Weekly "faith Renewed"*

## THE VIGIL LIGHT

The offering of a burning candle before our altars and shrines is an act of prayer to God, our blessed Mother, or the saints. Because it signifies our watchfulness, we call it a vigil light. We call it a votive light because we pray by means of this shining, silent intercessor. The Church employs candles widely in divine worship. She blesses them on Candlemas day, uses them freely in her liturgy and in administering the Sacraments. Our Bible is full of examples of the religious use of fire and flame by God's people. In describing Himself, Christ said, "I am the light of the world." We light a candle to show honor to God. It is a mark of our dedication, of our confidence in His presence and promises. It is a sign also of our own fidelity. Through our vigil light we give outward, visible evidence of our spiritual desires just as we do when we fast, sacrifice our own will, and give alms to the poor. Thus, as we go to our daily tasks, the candle's flame continues to express our worship, praise and petition. Christ assures us that not even a cup of cold water given in His name will go without its reward. Hence, we can be confident that He will be pleased with our prayers.

## WHAT IS LIFE?

Life is the time we are given by God  
To be lived upon this earth...  
Will it be a time to remember  
Or a time of not much worth?  
Since God is the One Who gives us our time,  
Wouldn't it be nice to share  
Every moment given to us—  
Our sorrow, our joy, our prayers?  
With Him we can do all things!  
Without Him we haven't a chance!  
The choice is whether we prefer to fail  
Or, every day, to advance!

—Margaret Peterson

A faithful friend is beyond price,  
no sum can balance his worth.  
—Sirach 6:15

Today's Mass is Celebrated by  
Fr. Janusz Lucarz.  
We thank him sincerely.

*Take a moment out and pray...*

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**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:** Richard Paczkoski, Thomas Kompa, Bill Piro, Iris Cafran, Frank Kompa, John Luis Vasquez, Sophia Kyriakakis, Rudy Haase, Gregory Klein, Jim Richards, Nancy Foley, Thomas Maloney, Linda Frysztacki, Lorri Russo, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Susan Leach, Stella Silva, Michele Feudale, Linda Maloney, Lorraine Avitabile, Blanca Vasquez, Elena Guigui, Theresa Kasmark, Emma Zaradich, Joe Stewart, Constance Citrola, Elizabeth Zitzmann, Anne Grusell, Teresa Kay, Sidra Lewis, Billy Murphy, Con Boyle, John Blenn, Carla Calabrese, MaryAnn McEvoy, Gary P. Ribis, Rosalie Drenckhahn, James Kostolni, Ann Klein-Siebuhr, Nina Dobrowolski, George Heyen, Eileen McChesney, Mickey Gagliano, Jenna Ippolito, Theresa Daquino, Nick Daquino & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

**Requiem Intentions:** Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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*Go to the Garden, when you need to remember that everything is love.*

*This is the miracle that happens every time to those who really love:  
the more you give, the more they possess.*

— Rilke