

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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June 28, 2020 - Thirteenth 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 - 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a

One day Elisha came to Shunem, where there was a woman of influence, who urged him to dine with her. Afterward, whenever he passed by, he used to stop there to dine. So she said to her husband, "I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." Sometime later Elisha arrived and stayed in the room overnight.

Later Elisha asked, "Can something be done for her?" His servant Gehazi answered, "Yes! She has no son, and her husband is getting on in years." Elisha said, "Call her." When the woman had been called and stood at the door, Elisha promised, "This time next year you will be fondling a baby son."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-1

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The favors of the Lord I will sing forever; through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness. For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Happy the people who know the joyful shout; in the light of your countenance, O Lord, they walk. At your name they rejoice all the day, and through your justice they are exalted.

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

For you are the splendor of their strength, and by your favor our horn is exalted. For to the Lord belongs our shield, and to the Holy One of Israel, our king.

R/ For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

READING II - Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

Priest/Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest/Cantor: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL - Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus said to his apostles: "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple— amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Just As I Am"

COMMUNION HYMNS -

"I Myself Am the Bread of Life"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Center of My Liufe"

St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

Take a moment out and pray...

† † † † † † PRAYERS † † † † † † †

For the Health & Safety of Our First Responders during the Pandemic: Lord God, Jesus, our Savior, Mary and all the Saints, please watch over and keep safe those who respond first to our needs, doctors, nurses, EMTs, orderlies and LPNs, as well as those who risk their lives every day to serve us, firemen & women cashiers, truck drivers, delivery personnel, government officials, fast food and restaurant employees, etc. We ask especially for our own at St. Francis Parish, Sandras Darbouze & Lillian Zaradich, RNs; Lillyan Tobon's niece, Jessica Arrubla, NYPD; Linda Frysztacki's daughter-in-law, Karlye Frysztaski and her sisters, RNs.

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: All who have the Coronavirus & Debbie Marciano, Beverly Hester, Gregory Klein, Jim Richards, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Sophia Kyriakakis, Billy Murphy, Toni Panico, Helen de la Sota, Jeff Curtis, Ottavia Daquino, Linda Frysztacki, Daniella Vasquez, Ann Klein-Siebuhr, Blanca Vasquez, Iris Cafran, John Luis Vasquez, Eileen McChesney, Josephine Rapanaro, Joe Glovack, Carla Calabrese, Janis Siebuhr, Debbie Granaldi & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

Requiem Intentions, especially for those who have passed from the coronavirus:

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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INDEPENDENCE DAY!!! Celebrated on July 4th, the anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776! Fly your flag, God Bless America!

ST. PETER (d.64) AND ST. PAUL (d.64), June 29

A feast honoring these two great saints has been celebrated by the Church since the third century. There is sound evidence that both Sts. Peter and Paul preached in the-city of Rome and were martyred there under the Emperor Nero about the year 64. The Church of Rome praises them as its founding apostles; "Peter, our leader in faith, and Paul, its fearless preacher. Peter raised up the Church from the faithful flock of Israel, Paul brought God's call to the nations." (Preface from the Mass)

SIMON, a fisherman on the Sea of Galilee, was one of the first whom Jesus called follow him. Changing his name to Peter, "Rock," the Lord promised to build his Church on him and gave him power in heaven and on earth. A natural spokesman for the other disciples, Peter called Jesus "the Christ, the Son of the living God."

When Jesus was arrested, Peter denied him three times and afterwards wept bitterly over his enormous betrayal of the one he promised to die for. When he rose from the dead, Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved him and hearing the disciple's simple answer, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you," gave him again a privileged place at his side. "Come, follow me."

Filled with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Peter began to preach about Jesus Christ to the crowds in Jerusalem and Samaria and later made his way to Rome where he died a martyr's death as leader of that Church. Tradition says he died crucified head down, since he considered himself unworthy to die as his Lord had done.

SAUL OF TARSUS was a zealous Jew, a Pharisee, who after his dramatic conversion on the way to the city of Damascus became a fervent apostle of Jesus. After a three-year period in Arabia, where he assimilated his new faith, Paul journeyed to the cities of Damascus, Jerusalem, Antioch and then crisscrossed the cities of Asia Minor establishing communities of Christians among the gentiles. Because of his activity he suffered constant harassment from his enemies, enduring shipwreck, imprisonment, and beatings. At the same time he was greatly loved by those Christians to whom he ministered; Corinthians, Ephesians, Galatians, Romans. To them St. Paul wrote his powerful letters of consolation and instruction which the Church still reads today as inspired by God himself.

After imprisonment in Rome, he was beheaded along the Ostian Way where his burial place is still venerated. In his letter to Timothy he wrote, "The time has come for me to go. I have fought the good fight; I have run the race; I have kept the faith. Now I await the crown of justice which the Lord, the just judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me' but to all who long for his coming.