

St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ - November 29, 2020

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 - Ez 34:11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

R/The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

R/The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R/The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. READING II -1 Cor 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the first fruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies

under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL - Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome. naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life." This is the gospel of the Lord.

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

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Praise God ..."

COMMUNION HYMN - "Shepherd Me, O God"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Sing of the Lord's Goodness"

St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

ST. CECILIA, PATRONESS OF COMPOSERS, MUSIC AND MUSICIANS

Her feast day is November 22nd. St. Cecilia, according to Roman legend, was a young patrician woman of Rome who was a Christian. She was filled with love for God to whom she vowed her life and virginity. Forced into marriage by her father, she sang to God on her wedding day, praying for help. Soon after, Valerian, her husband, and Tiburtius, his brother, were miraculously converted to Christianity by a vision and gave themselves to the care of the sick and burial of the dead. They were martyred at Pagus Triopus, outside of Rome, along with a Roman official, Maximus, because they refused to sacrifice to the gods. Cecilia buried their bodies, and was herself brought to trial for her beliefs. So persuasive was she that her accusers converted to Christianity. Finally, the perfect, Almachius, sentenced her to be suffocated in the heated bath of her home. Despite the intense heat she was unharmed, so a soldier was sent to behead her. She was struck on the neck three times and lingered for three days before dying. A tomb marking her grave is found in the cemetery of St. Callistus in Rome. Her prayer Cecilia, teach me the inner songs that I can sing in my heart. May I have an ear for heavenly music and always hear the strains of happiness that come from living a decent life in accordance with God's will for me.

FROM THE HEART - Helen Steiner Rice—GOD'S KINDNESS

God's kindness is ever around you, always ready to freely impart strength to your faltering spirit, cheer your lonely heart. "When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought joy to my soul."

-Psalm 94:19

Today express your thanks to Jesus for touching your life!

Happy Blessed Thanksgiving to All!

SUNDAY MASS INTENTIONS

November 15th

Mass was said for the health needsof Rosemary Rosen and for the Birthday of Susan and her twins offered by Rosemary & Jeff Rosen

November 29th

In Memory of John & Carmela Kapinos offered by Linda Frysztacki

St. Francis PNC Church thanks you for your donation.

PRACTICE THANKSGIVING

Say a prayer of thanks for everyone and everything you come across this day. No exceptions! Turn on a light and bless those who discovered electricity. Bless the farmers who grew the food you're packing in the kids lunch. When you get in the car, bless the automotive engineers...who invented seat belts. Bless the person in the office elevator who's talking top volume on her cell-phone...for reminding you what not to do.

"WE WALK BY FAITH"

Our faith is a tremendous gift from God. It is with faith that we walk, making our journey...Sometimes the road is bumpy, with twists and turns; sometimes it goes rather smoothly and fairly straight. It is not always easy to follow Jesus, especially when we encounter times of pain, doubt, fear, and disillusionment. Nevertheless, we walk; We journey towards

the God who loves us, nurtures us, and gifts us. Know we do not walk alone; we walk with each other in and by faith!

Take a moment out and pray...

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Health Needs: Lord God, Jesus, our Savior, Mary and all the Saints, 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, Richard Majewski, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Sophia Kyriakakis, Billy Murphy, Helen de la Sota, Jeff Curtis, Ottavia Daquino, Linda Frysztacki, Daniella Vasquez, Ann Klein-Siebuhr, Blanca Vasquez, Iris Cafran, John Luis Vasquez, Eileen McChesney, Dennis Erb, Rosemary Rosen, Jay Lasker, Joe Glovack, Carla Calabrese, Janis Siebuhr, Debbie Granaldi, Anthony Kuzniewski, Jorge Juan Vasquez, Jessica Arrubla & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

Requiem Intentions for faithfully departed:

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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