

Bulletin –Parish News

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April 26, 2015. Fourth Sunday of Easter.

The Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Pastor

At many moments of our lives, especially when we have to put up with suffering and unexpected problems, we feel that we are not self-sufficient. In such cases, modern people go to a psychiatrist, a marriage counselor, or a lawyer for guidance and advice. Where does God, visible in Jesus Christ, fit in your schedule? God's advice and wisdom is available in the words and example of the Lord Jesus.

The writers of the New Testament were concerned to bring out who the risen Lord is and how we are related to him. This Sunday we are invited to see the Lord as both the gate of a sheepfold, through which we should enter in security, and our Shepherd, whom we should follow. Though sheep and shepherds are not part of the contemporary American scene and we know them perhaps only from television, with a little goodwill we can understand what the inspired writer wants to say. By prayerfully reading the Bible and diligently following the Lord Jesus who is "the shepherd, the guardian of your souls, modern Christians know how to integrate the guidelines of their religion with whatever science offers them for the solutions of their problems!

Questions for reflection

"There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

- How does the condition of fear relate to Peter's firm and clear statement about the source of humanity's salvation?

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are.

- How does being a child of God shape your outlook, goals, relationships, and accomplishments?

"I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

- How have you already experienced the saving power of Jesus?
- Where have you seen power used selflessly for the good of others?
- How do you contribute to the common good with the power you have?
- How are you like your parents?
- How have you differentiated yourself from them and their attitudes or values?

- Good shepherds use their power to protect the vulnerable within their charge. How should family, Church, and society do the same?

HOLY MASSES

April 26, 2015. Fourth Sunday of Easter.

9:00am Holy Mass for Helen McDowell req. by Kaiser and Vuz families.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

May 03, 2015. Fifth Sunday of Easter.

9:00am Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

Thank You... to all of you for your work that the Tricky Tray was successful, special thanks to Dawn Wassman and Leslie Pietrowitz. May God reward your efforts abundantly.

Branch 39 YMS of R will meet Sunday, April 26, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. to discuss spring and Summer Activities.

Our parish is looking for sponsor who will be willing to purchase CHRISMAL SETS. The price starts from \$250 for glass or \$395 for crystal.

Soup Sale. Y.M.S. of R. has kicked off its SOUP SALE with a variety of homemade soups available after mass on Sundays. See Richard Maciag for details.

Parish DUES

Parish dues for 2015 are \$120 for singles and \$240 for families.

April 28 – 29, 2015 Supreme Council Meeting in Scranton, PA

May 30, 2015 NY/NJ Seniorate Meeting at Ss Peter and Paul Parish in Passaic at 10:00am

Fuel Donations. As the colder weather approaches and the need arises to turn up the heat in the church and the parish hall to make our space more comfortable, please consider a donation to help defray our heating oil costs.

ACOLYTE RETREAT - Bishop Bernard Nowicki and the clergy of the Central Diocese at their meeting on August 23, 2014, decided to organize Acolyte Retreat for the Central Diocese of the PNCC in summer of the year 2015. The retreat will be held from Tuesday, June 23 (noon), through Friday June 26 (noon) 2015 at the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Spójnia Farm, Waymart, PA. The participants will have a great opportunity to pray together in order to know better our Lord Jesus Christ and to spend a wonderful time with "old" and "new" friends. The deadline for registration is June 14, 2015. Cost of retreat: \$120. Registration Forms and Information Sheet are at the parish office.

It's not too late! Thinking about sailing with the PNU in November? There is still time to make your reservation on the Independence of the Seas sailing to Belize & Cozumel, November 7th – 12th, 2015. Room availability is becoming limited so you are urged to call to reserve your cabin today. Please contact the Cruise People at 1-800-642-2469 to book your reservation.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins, especially Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Cynthia Sabia, Rt. Rev. John Mack, Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski, Nicolas DeLuca, Virginia Lukashevski, Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Julia Paluszek, Theodore and Rose Ciulac, Catherine and Frank Kusniesz, Andrew Closterman and all in need of our prayers.

Memorial Candles will be available for Mother's Day. Memorial Cards are available in the Church vestibule. Memorial Candles may be designated in memory of deceased mothers, family members and friends. Memorial Cards should be returned by May 03, 2015.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to our visitors - we welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Holy Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.