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A little boy greets his father as he came back from work with a question. "Daddy, how much do you make an hour?" The father is surprised and says: "Look son, not even your mother knows. Don't bother me now, I'm tired." "But Daddy, just tell please! How much do you make an hour?" the boy persisted. The father finally gives up and replies: "\$20 bucks." "Okay, Daddy," the boy continues. "Could you loan me \$10 bucks?" The father yells at him: "So that was the reason you asked how much I earn, right? Now, go to sleep and don't bother me anymore!"

In the middle of the night the father thinks over what he said and felt guilty. May be his son needed to buy something. Finally, he goes to his son's room. "Are you asleep, son?" asks the father. "No, Daddy. Why?" replies the boy. "Here is the money you asked for earlier," the father said. "Thanks, Daddy!" The boy replies and receives the money. Then he reached under his pillow and brings out some more money, "Now I have enough! Now I have \$20 bucks!" says the boy to his father. "Daddy, could you sell me one hour of your time?" Today's celebration has a message to this man, and in fact to all of us, "that we need to invest more of our time in our families."

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Solemnity of the Christian Family

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer. 9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13. Mass intention: For all Families in our Parish.

ENTRANCE HYMN (1 Timothy 5:8; Galatians 6:10)

Priest: Whoever does not provide for relatives and especially family members has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

- All: So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of the faith.
- Priest: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- FIRST READING: Genesis 1:26-28, 31a

GRADUAL (Ephesians 6:1-4)

- *Priest:* Children, obey your parents [in the Lord], for this is right. "Honor your father and mother." This is the first commandment with a promise, "that it may go well with you and that you may have a long life on earth".
- *All:* Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up with the training and instruction of the Lord.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:1-9

ALLELUIA (Proverbs 6:20)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: Observe, my son, your father's bidding, and reject not your mother's teaching.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 2:41-52

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke *All:* Glory be to You, Lord!

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. *Priest:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



Pulaski Day Parade - Monday, October 14, 2013 - St. Valentine's Parish will again participate!

Holy Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church The parade will assemble after the Mass (around 11 a.m.) on King Street. We need your participation and hope you will join us!



New Storm Windows

Donations are still being accepted to help defray the cost of the storm windows which were recently purchased for the church. Any amount will be gratefully appreciated. Your donation will be acknowledged in our Church bulletin. Please notify us if you do not want to have your named mentioned in the bulletin. The amount received thus far \$325.00.

Special thanks to Wallace Forman, Krysia and Eugene Newman who sponsored the purchase of storm windows for the south side of the Church in memory of Joan Forman.



Thank you. Bóg zapłać!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Helen Golec - 71 State Street, Apt. 130, Northampton, MA 01060
Paul Krawczynski - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060
John Lenkowski - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060
Grace Mackiewicz - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002
Stanley Michalski - 1554 Rt. 106 N, Loudon, NH 03307
Rt. Rev. Thomas Gnat - 104 Naphin Hill Rd, Dunmore, PA 18512
Rt. Rev. John Mack - 6298 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

Please say a prayer for peace, comfort and healing for our sick sisters and brothers; send a card to them; if you can, participate in the Holy Mass celebrated in their intention every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. (except holidays when Holy Mass is celebrated at 7:00 p.m. - see bulletins).



If you have a family member or friend at hospital or home unable to take part in Holy Mass and Sacraments, please notify Fr. Adam at 584-0133.



<u>Holy Mass Schedule:</u> Sunday - 9:30 a.m. Solemnities & Feasts - see bulletins Daily - 10:00 a.m.

For Holy Mass intentions contact Fr. Adam after Sunday Holy Mass or anytime by phone (413) 584-0133.