

- Maundy Thursday, March 28 - Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday, March 29 - Solemn Service of the Lord's Passion & Death at 7:00 p.m.
- Holy Saturday, March 30 - the Liturgy at 7:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food at 12:00 p.m. and after the Liturgy.
- Easter Sunday, March 31 - Solemn Procession and Holy Mass of Resurrection at 6:00 a.m.
- Spring Concert "Songs of Inspiration" and more! by Lisa Woods and Jerry Noble - Sunday, April 7 at 3:00 p.m. (see flyer in vestibule).

The schedule of the cleaning of the Church: Saturday, March 23 at 8:00 a.m.

New Storm Windows

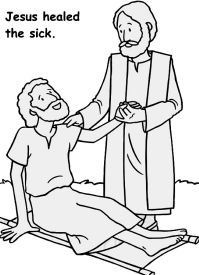
Donations are still being accepted to help defray the cost of the storm windows which were recently purchased for the church. Any amount will be gratefully appreciated. Your donation will be acknowledged in our Church bulletin. Please notify us if you do not want to have your named mentioned in the bulletin.

Thank you. Bóg zapłać!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Joan Forman - P.O. Box 303, Hadley, MA 01035
Helen Golec - 71 State Street, Apt. 130, Northampton, MA 01060
John Lenkowski - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060
Grace Mackiewicz - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002
Rt. Rev. Thomas Gnat - 104 Naphin Hill Rd, Dunmore, PA 18512

*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 6:00 p.m. - see bulletins).*



PASTORAL CARE AT HOME AND HOSPITAL

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.



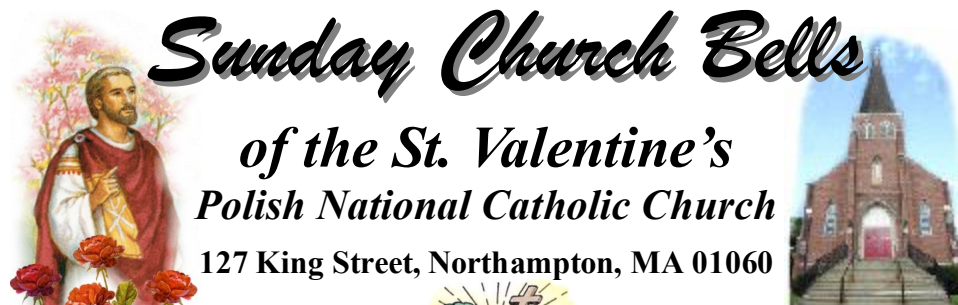
Holy Mass Schedule:

Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

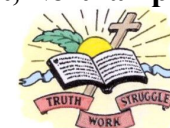
Solemnities & Feasts - see bulletins

Daily - 10:00 a.m.

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



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Passion Sunday
Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 17, 2013

Niedziela Pasyjna
Piąta Niedziela
Wielkiego Postu
17 Marca 2013



"Wonderful God, you are so generous with Your compassion. In Jesus, waters satiate our thirsty souls. New rivers of life and hope flow through the deserts and valleys of our lives. In Christ is our refreshment and Your compassion. Teach us not to judge others until we are as compassionate as You are. Jesus, calm the insecurity and hatred which causes us to lift stones and hurl hardened judgments at each other. Lift the burden by humbling us with the awesome gift of Your saving presence among us in Christ. Teach us not to condemn, knowing that you will not condemn. Give us the generosity of Your loving heart."

Passion Sunday - Fifth Sunday of Lent, Cycle C

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer.

9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13.

**Mass intention: For God's blessings upon Marek
- req. by parents, Danuta & Fr. Adam.**

ENTRANCE HYMN (2 Corinthians 5:17-18)

Priest: So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

All: And all this is from God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

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: Isaiah 43:16-21

GRADUAL (Lamentations 3:22a-24)

Priest: The favors of the Lord are not exhausted, His mercies are not spent; they are renewed each morning, so great is His faithfulness.

All: My portion is the Lord, says my soul; therefore will I hope in Him.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:8-14

TRACT (Psalm 103:8,13-14)

Priest: Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

All: As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on the faithful. For He knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust.

GOSPEL: John 8:1-11

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very

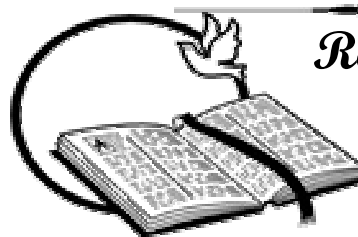
act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection Question:

1. What do you think Jesus was writing on the ground with his finger? Why did the people drop their stones and walk away?
2. What do you think the woman felt when Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go and from now on do not sin any more?" What do you think Jesus thought about law's stoning dictate? What would he think of torturing prisoners?



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: *Isaiah 50:4-7*

Second Reading: *Philippians 2:6-11*

Gospel: *Luke 22:14—23:56*



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Central Seniorate "Meal in the Upper Room"** - Sunday, March 17 at 4:00 p.m. in our Church and Parish Hall.
- **Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Meeting:**
Monday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
- **Tuesday, March 19 - Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the BVM** - Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- **Gorzkie Zale (Bitter Lamentations)** in Polish - every Wednesday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.
- **Polish Classes** - every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
- **Stations of the Cross (Droga Krzyzowa)** in English - every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.
- **Palm Sunday, March 24** - Blessing with Distribution of Palms and the Procession; Holy Mass at 9:30 a.m.