Sunday Church Bells

of the St. Valentine's Polish National Catholic Church

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 25, 2015

Trzecia Niedziela w Okresie Zwykłym 25 Stycznia 2015



God, sometimes You seem so far away. Sometimes, You seem so close. I get confused. But I want to follow You and carry Your message of repentance wherever and to whomever You send me. Give me the courageous generosity of Jonah, Simon-Peter, Andrew and the sons of Zebedee. Empower me to let go of misgivings, cowardice and possessions so that my life and attitudes can proclaim your saving, powerful and uplifting presence. Help me to believe and teach by word and example how close you are and how present your kingdom is within and among us. Give us the grace of discipleship and joyful hearts to walk with you and announce Your reign. I'm sorry that we try to keep You distant and in another world, God of everywhere and everyone!

III Sunday in Ordinary Time, B

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

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

Mass intention: For all parishioners living and dead.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Matthew 12:41; Acts 3:19-20a)

Priest: At the judgment, the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and there is something greater than Jonah here.

All: Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away, and that the Lord may grant you times of refreshment.

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: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

GRADUAL (Micah 7:18-19)

Priest: Who is there like You, the God Who removes guilt and pardons sin for the remnant of His inheritance; Who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency,

All: And will again have compassion on us, treading underfoot our guilt? You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

ALLELUIA (Acts 17:30)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: God has overlooked the times of ignorance, but now He demands

that all people everywhere repent.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

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

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they

abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection Ouestions:

1. Must you be called as a priest and send to some parish, or could you be called to bring the Good News wherever you are and in whatever you do? How does Jesus call you?



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Jesus called Simon and Andrew.
It was radical. No questions. They dropped their nets.
James and John quit their boats and their father, who was left sitting in one.
Jesus we know that you are calling us too.
We want to leave our boats and leave our nets.
Help us let go.



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Gospel: *Mark 1:40-45*



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ <u>Today is Music Scholarship Sunday</u> second Collection for Music Scholarships basket in the vestibule
- ◆ Polish Classes every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Visual Bible Study every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Next Sunday, February 1 we start with pre-Lenten season which is a transitional time to the season of Lent
- ◆Also next Sunday after Holy Mass will be <u>Exposition of the Most Blessed</u> <u>Sacrament</u>. Collection for Missions
- Monday, February 2, Solemnity of Presentation of the Lord in the Temple Holy Mass with Blessing of Candles at 7:00 pm. Also will be a Blessing of throats in anticipation of St. Blaise of Sebastea Day

<u>Coffee Hour Sponsors</u>: Today - **Krysia Newman** Next Sunday - **Karen Chalmers**

Epiphany Visitations

I will make Epiphany Visits to parishioners who want to have their homes blessed. A traditionally prepared home for the pastoral visit displays a white cloth on a table, upon which is placed crucifix, two candles, the Bible, holy water and chalk. If you would like to have your home blessed, please notify me at Church or call the Rectory Office. - Fr. A dam

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 \$725.00.

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 - Orchard Valley, 2387 Boston Rd, Wilbraham, MA 01095 Shirley Krawczynski - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060 John Lenkowski - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060 Grace Mackiewicz - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002 Very Rev. Fryderyk Banas - 573 Granby Rd, South Hadley, MA 01075 Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631 Rt. Rev. Bernard Nowicki - 529 East Locust St, Scranton, PA 18505 Rev. Henry Smolinski - 8 Mills Rd, Windsor, CT 06095 Karen Dragon - 1116 Xavier Court, Bloomington, MN 55437

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 **Monday at 10:00 am** (except holidays - 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:

Saturday - 7:00 pm (in Polish)

Sunday - 9:30 am (in English)

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.