

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!

The schedule of the cleaning of the Church: Saturday, March 30 at 8:00 a.m.

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.



Fr. Adam Czarnecki, Pastor Phone: (413)584-0133 Christine Newman, Chairperson
Phone: (413)584-4531

www.stvalentinespncc.com

Palm Sunday March 24, 2013

Niedziela Palmowa 24 Marca 2013



"Lord Jesus, my heart soars as you come triumphant down the messianic Mount of Olives into the Jerusalem of our lives. Yet, even as I hail you with palm branches, I'm sorry that I have expectations of you which ultimately reject you. I'm so fickle! Cheering you as champion one minute - enraged at you the next, as if my needs had messianic significance. Thank you for being faithful to God - and so faithful in love to us as you empty yourself in your journey to the depths of the human experience. Help me to empty myself of false and selfish expectation. Enable me to walk with you as you embrace the suffering we impose on each other. Make this holy week a holy journey of conversion for me - because of your great, self-emptying love!"

Palm Sunday, Cycle C

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer. 9:30 a.m. - Blessing and Distribution of Palms, Procession;

Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13.

Mass intention: Julian Misa - req. Jackie Misa.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Psalm 23:9-10)

Priest: Open wide the door and gates. Lift high the ancient portals. The King of glory enters; Who is the King of glory? He is God, the mighty lord.

All: Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are You Who are have come to us so rich in love and mercy. Hosanna in the highest.

Priest: Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

All: O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-7

GRADUAL (John 11:47-48)

Priest: The chief priests and the Pharisees gathered with the council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs."

All: If we let Him go on thus, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and destroy both our holy place and our nation."

SECOND READING: Philippians 2:6-11

TRACT (Isaiah 62:10-11)

Priest: Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear the stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples.

All: The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."

GOSPEL: Luke 22:14—23:56

Reflection Questions:

1. According to the Gospel of Luke, marginalized and neglected people accompanied Jesus on the way to death. This included the women, Simon, and the good thief. What does this tell you about Jesus? What does it tell you about Luke? Would you have been part of the group accompanying Jesus?

2. Jesus said, "Forgive them, Father, for they know not what they do." Was he excusing people who were killing him? If not, then what? Do you ever ask God to forgive people who hurt you? Can you forgive them?



Christ,

we have seen
how much you love us,
setting your face like flint toward Jerusalem,
giving your body up to the whips,
your face to the slaps.

your face to the slaps.
With your last breath,
you showed us
how to live.

"Into your hands, Father, I commend my spirit."

Help us be truly present at your cross

all our days.



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: *Acts* 10:34a, 37-43 Second Reading: *Philippians* 2:6-11

Gospel: Luke 22:14—23:56



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No Holy Mass on Tuesday on this day, Holy Mass of Chrism with our Diocesan Bishop Paul Sobiechowski and all clergy of the Eastern Diocese will take place at Holy Cross Parish, Ware, MA at 5 p.m.
- Holy Wednesday, March 27 Gorzkie Zale (Bitter Lamentations) in Polish at 7:00 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday, March 28, Institution of the Eucharist and the Holy <u>Priesthood</u> - Reception of Holy Oils, Holy Mass, Procession to the Altar of Repose, Stripping of Altars. Beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Church will remain open until 10:00 p.m. for the Adoration.
- Good Friday, March 29 According to an ancient custom, Holy Mass is not celebrated on this day. Solemn Service of the Lord's Passion & Death, Ciemna Jutrznia (Tenebrae). Beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Church will remain open until 10:00 p.m. for the Adoration.
- Holy Saturday, March 30 Ceremony of New Light, Blessing of Water and Holy Mass. Beginning at 7:00 p.m. Blessing of Easter Food at 12:00 p.m. and after the Liturgy. The Church will remain open until 10:00 p.m. for the Adoration.
- Easter Sunday, March 31, Solemnity of the Resurrection of our Lord Solemn Procession and Holy Mass of Resurrection at 6:00 a.m.