



Sunday Church Bells

**of the St. Valentine's
Polish National Catholic Church**

127 King Street, Northampton, MA 01060



Fr. Adam Czarnecki, Pastor
Phone: (413)584-0133



Christine Newman, Chairperson
Phone: (413)584-4531

www.stvalentinespncc.com

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2015

Czwarta Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

15 Marca 2015



God of Light, You are always dawning on us! You invite us beyond the darkness that scares, demeans and envelops us. You enlighten us that darkness, disease and disasters are not punishments, but rather paths for Your glory to shine. Cure our blindness as we grope our way. In Spirit us not to be so blinded by the darkness that we cannot see light. Humble us not to impose shadows on others in our judgments about them. I love the drama of Samuel seeking Your new King. Why did he finally pick David? - because he was good looking? - or the youngest? - or a shepherd? You work in strange ways, Lightning God. Your Spirit ignites who and what You will. Touch our blindness with your living water and anoint us with your shepherding Spirit. Lead us to seek the light as we continue our journey through Lent.

Fourth Sunday of Lent, B

9:15 am - Sunday Morning Prayer.

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

Mass intention: For all parishioners living and dead.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Wisdom 16:5-6a, 7)

Priest: For when the dire venom of beasts came upon them and they were dying from the bite of crooked serpents, Your anger endured not to the end. But as a warning, for a short time they were terrorized, though they had a sign of salvation.

All: For the one who turned toward it was saved, not by what he saw, but by You, the Savior of all.

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: 2 Chronicles 36:14-17, 19-23

GRADUAL (1 Corinthians 10:9, 11)

Priest: Let us not test Christ as some of them did, and suffered death by serpents.

All: These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:4-10

TRACT (Psalm 91:9-10, 13)

Priest: Because you have the Lord for your refuge, you have made the Most High your stronghold. No evil shall befall you, nor shall affliction come near your tent.

All: You shall tread upon the asp and the viper, you shall trample down the lion and the dragon.

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

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

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been

condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: **Jeremiah 31:31-34**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 5:7-9**

Gospel: **John 12:20-33**



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Today after Holy Mass will be Oath of new Parish Committee members:
 - Annual Polish Heritage Ham Dinner at 1:00 pm
- ◆ Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, March 16 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Gorzkie Zale (in Polish) - every Tuesday during Lent at 6:30 pm
- ◆ Polish Classes - every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Thursday, March 19 - Saint Joseph, Spouse of the BVM - Holy Mass at 10:00 am
- ◆ Visual Bible Study - every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Stations of the Cross (in English) - every Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm
- ◆ Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, March 21 at 5:00 p.m. (see next page)
- ◆ Next Sunday, March 22 - Passion Sunday - Holy Mass with Lenten Penitential Service



Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Today - **Krysia Newman**

Next Sunday - **Karen Chalmers**



Polish Genealogy Society of Massachusetts

Locating Vital Records in Poland and Using Online Resources, or:

"I FOUND MY VILLAGE! NOW WHAT?" by Julie Roberts Szczepankiewicz

Chicopee Public Library

449 Front Street, Chicopee, MA

Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Free admission, please bring a friend

For more information, please visit our website: www.PGSMA.org

MEAL IN THE UPPER ROOM



A re-enactment of the Holy Thursday Last Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ

Passion Sunday, March 22, 2015 4:00 PM

SAINT JOSEPH'S PARISH
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS MEAL...THE ONLY CHARGE IS TO TAKE HOME WITH YOU THE GREATNESS OF THE EXPERIENCE OF BEING A PART OF WHAT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST DID FOR US TO BE WITH US FOR ALL TIME.

**ANNUAL
SPAGHETTI DINNER**

March 21, 2015 at 5:00 pm

**ST. VALENTINE'S POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH
PARISH HALL
127 KING STREET
NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

TICKET COST: \$9/Person

RESERVATIONS:

Please call: Christine at 413-584-4531,
Diane at 413-527-7786 or Rectory at 413-584-0133
by March 17th

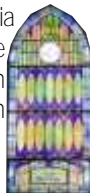
Spaghetti and Meat Sauce
Spaghetti and Meatless Sauce
Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Salad
Coffee/Tea/Milk, Desserts

Many Kinds of Raffles

Cleaning of the Church
Saturday, March 21 at 8:00 am

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:

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 - 61 Maple St, Ware, MA 01082

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

Jim Gebo - 183 Mallowhill Rd, Springfield, MA 01129

*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.