



# *Sunday Church Bells*

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

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## **Septuagesima**

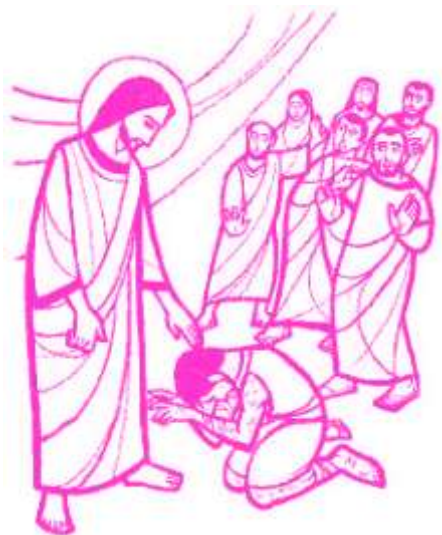
## **Sunday**

**February 1, 2015**

## **Niedziela**

## **Siedemdziesiątnicy**

**1 Lutego 2015**



*We need your healing power, Lord God of Life. The leprosy of violence, discrimination, hatred, apathy and indifference eats away our spirit and blotches our attitudes. We ostracize others we deem leprous, denying that we are ones riddled with sores. We need your helping and cleansing touch, Lord, in body, mind, spirit, memory and relationships. Hurts and disease isolate and privatize us. As you touched the leper, violating all health and religious law, reach again and touch us. Your hand heals. Your presence connects. Cleanse the sores which eat away the integrity and health of your people. We need your healing touch, Jesus, personally and as a people.*

## Septuagesima Sunday, 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** (Luke 4:27; Psalm 41:5)

*Priest:* There were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.

***All:* Once I prayed, “Lord, have mercy on me; heal me, I have sinned against you.**

*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:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

**GRADUAL** (Sirach 38:9-11)

*Priest:* My son, when you are ill, delay not, but pray to God, Who will heal you. Flee wickedness; let your hands be just, cleanse your heart of every sin.

***All:* Offer your sweet-smelling oblation and memorial, a reach offering according to your means.**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

**TRACT** (Matthew 8:2)

*Priest:* Then a leper approached, did Him homage and said,

***All:* Lord, if You wish, You can make me clean.**

**GOSPEL:** Mark 1:40-45

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

***All:* Glory be to You, Lord!**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, “I do will it. Be made clean.” The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning the him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, “See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will

be proof for them.”

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

*Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Reflection Questions:

1. How does Jesus welcome, heal and reinstate the leper? Try to observe carefully each detail.
2. How can we, today, imitate Jesus' attitude towards those excluded?



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*O Wounded Healer*

*we kneel before you.*

*Reach out and touch us.*

*Heal our leprous wounds.*

*Send us, scarred and scabrous to be wounded healers too.*

*Caress your world using our touch.*

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## Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: **Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25**

Second Reading: **2 Corinthians 1:18-22**

Gospel: **Mark 2:1-12**

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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Today after Holy Mass will be Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- ◆ Collection for Missions - there is a basket in the vestibule for this collection
- ◆ 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
- ◆ 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
- ◆ Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, February 9 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Annual Parish Meeting: Sunday, February 15 after Holy Mass, in the Parish Hall

Coffee Hour Sponsors: Today - **Karen Chalmers**

Next Sunday - **Jean Gromacki**



Cleaning of the Church - Saturday, February 7 at 8:00 am

**ANNUAL  
MEETING**

**Sunday**

**February 15, 2015  
after Holy Mass**

**MARK  
YOUR CALENDARS!**

**Annual Parish  
Meeting**

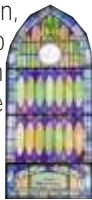


## New Storm Windows

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** - 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

*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.