



# Sunday Church Bells

of the St. Valentine's  
Polish National Catholic Church

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**Sixteenth  
Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
July 20, 2014  
Szesnasta  
Niedziela  
w Okresie Zwykłym  
20 Lipca 2014**



*You are an awesome balance of mild might and gentle power. We don't understand how You absorb and balance all these contradictions. But You are God! We know that You work best in our weakness, when we are not competing with You. Give us Your patience with the harvest. Calm us not to be hasty in pulling what we think are weeds. You are the Gardener who judges with wisdom and compassion. Awaken us to follow and listen to You, instead of our self-destructive and dangerous instincts. Created in Your image, help us to be gentle and powerful, without being destructive and violent. Give us the divine balance that Your reign and presence might blossom in us!*

## XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A

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 Danuta & Fr. Adam.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN** (Psalm 86:5-6)

*Priest:* Lord, You are kind and forgiving, most loving to all who call on You.

**All: Lord, hear my prayer; listen to my cry for help.**

*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:** Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

**GRADUAL** (Wisdom 11:26—12:2)

*Priest:* But you spare all things, because they are Yours, O Lord and Lover of souls, for Your imperishable Spirit is in all things!

**All: Therefore You rebuke offenders little by little, warn them, and remind them of the sins they are committing, that they may abandon their wickedness and believe in you, Lord!**

**SECOND READING:** Romans 8:26-27

**ALLELUIA** (2 Peter 3:9a,c)

*Priest:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Priest:* The Lord does not delay his promise, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

**All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:24-43

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

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

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you

pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."'"

He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'"

He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened."

All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: *I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.*

Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

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

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

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## Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: **1 Kings 3:5, 7-12**

Second Reading: **Romans 8:28-30**

Gospel: **Matthew 13:44-53**

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## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

4 Special Parish Meeting (acceptance of funds from Golden Rule Scholarship Fund to the Church): Sunday, July 20 after Holy Mass

4 Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, July 21 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall



4 Feast of Saint James the Greater, Apostle -  
Friday, July 25 - Holy Mass at 7:00 pm

4 Msza Św. po polsku (Holy Mass in Polish) -  
every Saturday at 7:00 pm

4 Society for the Adoration of the Most  
Blessed Sacrament Meeting: Monday, July  
28 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall

4 Deacon Program Retreat - Saturday,  
August 2 - Our Saviour Parish,  
Woonsocket, RI (see flyer)

4 ED Youth Retreat - August 17—21 - Camp  
Howe in Goshen, MA (see flyer)

4 Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, NH -  
Annual Prayer Service - Sunday, August  
24, 2014 at 3:30 pm



Coffee Hour Sponsors:

Today - **Fr. Adam & Danuta**

Next Sunday - **Church Provisions**

Cleaning of the Church

Saturday, July 26 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 name mentioned in the bulletin.

The amount received thus far \$675.00. 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

**Diane Scott** - 2 Admiral Street, Easthampton, MA 01027

**Very Rev. Joseph Soltysiak** - 73 Main Street, Westfield, MA 01085

**Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski** - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631

**Rt. Rev. Thomas Gnat** - 104 Naphin Hill Road, Dunmore, PA 18512

**Rt. Rev. John Mack** - 6298 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

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 7:00 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:

**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.