



# *Sunday Church Bells*

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

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**Fifth Sunday**

**of Easter**

**April 24, 2016**

**Piąta Niedziela**

**Wielkanocna**

**24 Kwietnia 2016**



*Holy God, You truly are our Mother and Father. In Christ and through his presence among us, You are giving birth to a new age. We panic sometimes as we experience the contracting birthpains of your reign. Give us the fidelity of our Moms who love us through pain, birth, and life, longer than we have known ourselves. Expel us again from the wombs of confining security we seem to crawl back into. We long for the past rather than accept your challenge to create your new age of justice, glory, peace, reconciliation, joy and life. You are transforming our world, Holy God, by the power of your Risen Jesus. You dwell among us. Sometimes we simply want to stand in wonder, awe and adoration. But your birthing and creative presence moves us to give birth to the new age of your reign by the way we love, reverence, forgive and are life-giving to each other.*

## 5 Sunday of Easter, Cycle C

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** (John 13:34-35)

*Priest:* I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. Alleluia.

**All: This is how all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another. Alleluia.**

*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:** Acts 14:21b-27

**GRADUAL** (1 Peter 1:22; John 3:14)

*Priest:* Since you have purified yourselves by obedience to the truth for sincere mutual love, love one another intensely from a [pure] heart. Alleluia.

**All: We know that we have passed from death to life because we love our brothers. Whoever does not love remains in death. Alleluia.**

**SECOND READING:** Revelation 21:1-5a

**ALLELUIA** (Romans 12:10)

*Priest:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

*Priest:* Love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor.

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

**GOSPEL:** John 13:31-33a, 34-35

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

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

When Judas had left them, Jesus said,

“Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

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

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

# Reflection Questions:



1. Did Jesus give us edicts, rubrics and canons? What one rule did he give us over and over? What teaching of the Church do you think will bring all people to Christ? Do you recognize saintly people by how hard they work and the money and time they give, or how much they love others? Or both? Does God love the world through us if we let it happen?

*Christ, let us live out your "one thing necessary":  
the treasure of gaining and giving your love.  
Not fair-weather love, not hearts-and-flowers,  
but your own radical no-limits kind.  
Make us yours, giving all we have:  
all our wealth, our body and blood,  
our hearts and our souls, hands and hopes, our precious time.  
Show us that our one thing necessary  
is to accept and to give your love.*



## Readings for next Sunday

First Reading: **Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

Second Reading: **Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23**

Gospel: **John 14:23-29**



## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Monday, April 25 - St. Mark Evangelist - Holy Mass at 10:00 am
- ◆ Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Meeting - Monday, April 25 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ 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
- ◆ Tag Sale - Saturday, April 30 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- ◆ Next Sunday, May 1 - after Holy Mass will be Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament; Collection for Missions



Coffee Hour Sponsors: Today - **Fr. Adam**  
next Sunday - **Krysia Newman**



Dear Parishioners -- If you have gently used items (clothing, tools, kitchen items, etc.) OR have handcrafted items (crochet/knit, etc.) OR if you would like to offer some plants for the Tag Sale - please contact any member of the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Society or Fr. Adam at 413-584-0133.

NINTH ANNUAL  
**POLISH DINNER**  
**JUNE 11, 2016**  
**5 P.M.**

**ST. VALENTINE'S PNC CHURCH**  
**PARISH HALL**  
127 KING STREET, NORTHAMPTON, MA

**TICKET COST: \$15/PERSON**

**RESERVATIONS/TICKETS:**  
**PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY OFFICE AT**  
**413-584-0133 BY JUNE 8<sup>th</sup> - TICKETS ARE LIMITED!**

<b>MENU:</b>	
OLADY	HONFRIED
CHEESE PIEROGI	RYEBREAD/BUTTER
CABBAGE PIEROGI	HORSERADISH
CABBAGE WITH SPARSHKE	PICKLE
KIELBASA	COFFEE/TEA/MILK
HAM	DESSERT

THE POLISH DANCE GROUP  
FROM ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH, WESTFIELD, MA  
WILL ENTERTAIN WITH LIVELY TRADITIONAL POLISH DANCES.




Cleaning of the Church -  
Saturday, May 7 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**
- Edward Antosz - 34 Hockanum Rd, Northampton, MA 01060**
- Very Rev. Fryderyk Banas - 61 Maple St, Ware, MA 01082**
- Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631**
- Rev. Jan Wilczek - 839 County St, New Bedford, MA 02740**

*Please say a prayer for peace, comfort and healing for our sick sisters and brothers; send a card to them.*

**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 am**

**Solemnities & Feasts**

**- see bulletins**

For Holy Mass intentions contact Fr. Adam after Sunday Holy Mass or anytime by phone (413) 584-0133.