



Sunday Church Bells

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

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Your Spirit is delightful, the way She moves and empowers among us. I love the way they gambled to choose a successor, trusting that you were guiding them. We need such trust in your guidance today, Lord! Your Spirit-Wisdom is redefining you as it re-defines us. Help us to truly believe that You are Love, not some force we are afraid of, or some divine force distant from us, or a heavenly bully. Empower us to be like You, and truly love one another with unconditional respect. We need Your Spirit to transform us this day - overcome our darkness so that we see all Your children as holy. Consecrate us again in Your uplifting, forgiving and unifying truth, so that we do not divide, demean or destroy anyone. Risen Lord, thank you for gambling on us, and choosing us to belong to you, to be your lot, and the witnesses to your risen glory and powerful message.

7 Sunday of Easter

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 20:21; 2 Corinthians 5:20a)

Priest: Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." Alleluia.

All: So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. 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 1:15-17, 20-26

GRADUAL (Jeremiah 1:7b)

Priest: To whomever I send you, you shall go. Alleluia.

All: Whatever I command you, you shall speak. Alleluia.

SECOND READING: 1 John 4:11-16

ALLELUIA (Acts 1:8b)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: You will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 17:11-19

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

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one. When I was with them I protected them in your name that you gave me, and I guarded them, and none of them was lost except the son of destruction, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely. I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth.

As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth.”

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection Questions:



1. Jesus says that his friends "do not belong to the world." What do you think he means by that? What are some of the forms of evil in the world that threaten Jesus' followers today? How are we called to respond to evil?
2. Jesus' prayer for the unity of all Christians has yet to be fully answered. In what ways does your family or your parish reach out to Christians of other churches? What ideas do you have about how your parish might form stronger bonds with other local churches?

Readings for next Sunday



First Reading: *Acts 2:1-11*

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13*

Gospel: *John 20:19-23*



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, May 18 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ May Devotion (in Polish) - every Tuesday during May at 6:30 pm
- ◆ Polish Classes - every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Meeting - Wednesday, May 20 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Visual Bible Study - every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- ◆ Monday, May 25 - Memorial Day - Holy Mass at Holy Trinity Cemetery at 10:00 am

HONOR A FATHER ON FATHER'S DAY – Acknowledge or remember our FATHERS, LAY OR CLERGY, for their dedication to us and at the same time provide some much needed support to the PNCC Clergy Pension Fund. Send a minimum donation of \$25 to the Clergy Pension Fund Committee, c/o Western Diocese Chancery, 920 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridge, IL 60068, and include your name and the name of the FATHER you wish to honor. Donations received by June 12th will be included in a listing to be published in an upcoming issue of God's Field. All donations received benefit the Clergy Pension Fund of the PNCC.





Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Today - **Karen Chalmers**
Next Sunday - **Isaac Scott**



Cleaning of the Church
Saturday, May 23 at 8:00 am

Thank you to all

*who helped prepare our
Polish Dinner and
made this event
very successful.*



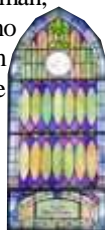
New Storm Windows

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

*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.