

St. Mary's

Polish National Catholic Church

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The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday July 26th, 2020

*9am Mass: Livestream: Margaret Sobocinski (6th Anv.) of. by husband
Clarence*

Mass is posted on YouTube by 10:30am

Readings: 1Kings 3:5, 7-12, Romans 8:28-30, Matthew 13:44-52

Lector – Greeters – Collectors –

- Holy Mass will be inside on Sunday, July 26

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, July 27th

Holy Mass celebrated privately at St. Mary's

TUESDAY, July 28th

WEDNESDAY, July 29th

5pm – Weekly Food Ministry provided

THURSDAY, July 30th

FRIDAY, July 31st

SATURDAY, August 1st

SUNDAY, August 2nd –The 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

9am Mass: Livestream: In honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Chuck & Elaine Repede

Mass is posted on YouTube by 10:30am

Readings: Isaiah 55:1-3, Romans 8:35, 37-39, Matthew 14:13-21

Lector – Greeters – Collectors –

- Holy Mass will be outside on Sunday, August 2nd

Announcements

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER – This Sunday, July 26, we use Eucharistic Prayer 5, the Union of Utrecht Canon. Next Sunday, and for all of August, we use the 1st Eucharistic Prayer.

CUSTODIAL WORK –We are looking for someone who would be available to keep a variety of weekly and monthly responsibilities regarding the upkeep of the parish. Please contact Fr. Jason if interested.

NEWSLETTERS –Looking for positive news! If you have anything to share about yourself or a family member, let us know, so we can pass on the good news to our parishioners. We can use some good news!

DRIVE THRU #3 COMPLETED – Our third drive-thru dinner took place this past Friday night from 4-6pm, once again serving a delicious golabki dinner. 250+ dinners were prepared, with over 140 pre-orders! Thank you to Steve Fesz for leading the efforts of our last 3 drive thrus, as well as all who were involved in the process of preparing, serving, and cleaning up after this dinner.

UPCOMING

Aug 4- Swenson's Fundraiser
Aug 7 – Take-out Dinner #4
Aug 12-13 – Diocesan Synod
Aug 15 – Trunk Sale
Aug 15 – Nat'l Golf Tournament
Aug 21 – Take-out Dinner #5
Aug 23 – Parish Comm. Meets
Sep 4-5 – PolishFest 2020
Sep 14–Consecration of Bishop

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER – It certainly has been awhile since we did a restaurant fundraiser! Our next one takes place, appropriately, at a drive-in. On Tuesday, August 4 from 4-9pm, Swenson's in Seven Hills, OH offers 15% back to St. Mary's. You may bring a printed flyer or use one on your phone. Even if just for a milkshake, we hope that many will plan to grab a bite about 10 minutes south of the church on Broadview Rd.

TRUNK SALE – St. Mary's is holding a trunk sale in the parish parking lot once again, in conjunction with Parma's Ward 4 Garage Sale. The event will be held rain-or-shine. Sellers get 2 parking spaces, allowing for proper social distance as well as ability to sell from your trunk or to put a small table out. For customers – it is like attending a whole bunch of garage sales at once! Please contact Susan B. at 440-781-7912 or baylj@yahoo.com if interested in renting space to sell your wares.

PHONES IN CHURCH – As we are still in the midst of this pandemic and adjusting to these temporary rules, please feel free, if comfortable, to use your phone to follow along with Mass at church. Much of the prayers, readings, etc. are sent out before Sunday Mass, giving you the option to print or read from your phone.

GOLF – The National YMSofR Golf Tournament takes place August 15 within a short drive of the friendly confines of the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA. Last year, a foursome attended – could we double that number? Considerations can be made for staying an extra day and leaving Sunday or, perhaps, staying at a hotel instead of the Center. See Fr. Jason.

POLISHFEST 2020 – This past week, we held a second PolishFest 2020 planning meeting in our Fellowship Hall. It was decided that it will be a 2 day drive thru dinner, taking place Labor Day weekend: Sep. 4 & 5 from 4-8pm both Friday and Saturday. We will be looking for volunteers in the near future, especially in food prep in the weeks to come and for the event. We are also asking for donations: cases of bottled water as well as any monetary donation for anyone who may not be comfortable attending in-person or helping out for the event. Thanks in advance!

DIOCESAN SYNOD – The Synod of the Western Diocese will take place in a virtual format on August 12 & 13, emanating from the All Saints Cathedral in Chicago, IL.

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary's parishioners, family and friends:

Barbara Baranowski	Patti Dotson	John Spilka
Bill Kastak	Marty Bengela	Ralph & June Zaun
Johanna Markiewicz	Anna Dawidziuk	Barb & Jim Lukas
Bill & Pat Glatzer	Mary Ann Loschelder	Tom Petrie
Helen Budney	Polly Gajda	Len Pryer
Chester & Ann Warzala	Tom Putynski	Louise Cygan
Craig Atherton	Millie Dominik	Amy Dreger
Jack Spilka	Carol Hreha	Elaine Repede
John Radon	Steve Wisniewski	David Micka
Wanda Clark	Beth Chihill	Keith Reynolds
Helen Cummings	Jane Hunter	Paul S.
Jay Grabowsky	Pam Chesar	Jan Sobolewski
Ed Kidd	Emma Freshwater	Jennifer Kmitt
Laina Dachtal	Nina Braquet	Paulette Lilli
Cherise Pacanovsky	Bp. John Swantek	Cecelia Hall
Jeremy Steinbreck	Chris Minch	Ricky Koehler
Richard & Edna Samelson	Cathy Pieciak	Daniel Morgan
Wanda Heffner	Bryson Dzurhoff	Jim Giles
Rich Dombrowski	Linda Duffy	Diane Black
Debbie Washenko	John Michalczyk	Dave Colwell
Mark Magda	Caroline O'Connor	Linda Marks
Marcus Vaughn Jr.	Marilyn Girard	Jennifer Kless
Stephanie Milla	Baby Parker	Mary Cawley
George & Linda Makovicka	Shannon Alberino	Kim Penney
Loretta Baldwin	Julia Badarzynski	Kate Stallbaum
Wendy Andrzejewski	Kenny Mach	Baby Layla

ALL WHO ARE IN NURSING HOMES OR ASSISTED LIVING

ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED CLERGY NEEDING HEALING

ALL SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

Bless them, O Lord.

Pobłogosław im, O Boże

THE 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME July 26, 2020

OPENING HYMN (Massbook page 13, vs. 1 & 2)

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God, before Thine altar, Father. Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; this supplication answer. Lift up from want Thy people, Lord; Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

We ask Thee not for bliss in life, Nor golden treasure's splendor But that we enter in the strife, Christ's kingdom to engender. Lift up from sin Thy people, Lord. And strengthen us; O Father, bless our toil.

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THE PENITENTIAL RITE

I confess to almighty God, in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault (*striking the breast three times and continuing*) in my thoughts, in my words, in what I have done or failed to do. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

THE INTROIT (*Proverbs 2:6-7; Wisdom 7:7*)

C: For the Lord gives wisdom, from His mouth come knowledge and understanding; He has counsel in store for the upright, He is the shield of those who walk honestly. **R: Therefore, I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.** **C:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the Highest and peace to His people on earth. Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father. We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father. Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us! You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer! For You alone are the Holy One! You alone are the Lord! You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE OPENING PRAYER

LET US PRAY...Almighty Father, how infinite is Your wisdom; how limited is our knowledge! Transform us by Your power that we may walk in Your ways and attain wisdom. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON from the first book of Kings (3:5,7-12)

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, “Ask something of Me and I will give it to you.” Solomon answered: “O Lord, my God, You have made me, Your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve You in the midst of the people whom You have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give Your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge Your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of Yours?”

The Lord was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him: “Because you have asked for this – not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right – I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one equal to you.

This is the word of the Lord. **R. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130*)

R/ (97a) Lord, I love your commands.

I have said, O LORD, that my part is to keep your words.

The law of your mouth is to me more precious
than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

R/ Lord, I love your commands.

Let your kindness comfort me according to your promise to your servants.

Let your compassion come to me that I may live, for your law is my
delight.

R/ Lord, I love your commands.

For I love your command more than gold, however fine.
For in all your precepts I go forward; every false way I hate.
R/ Lord, I love your commands.

Wonderful are your decrees; therefore I observe them. The revelation of your words sheds light, giving understanding to the simple.

R/ Lord, I love your commands.

THE SECOND LESSON the letter of Paul to the Romans(8:28-30)

Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

This is the word of the Lord. **R. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Please Stand: **THE ALLELUIA** (*Psalm 49:4*)

C: Alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia.** C: My mouth shall speak wisdom, my heart shall offer insight. **R: Alleluia, alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL according to St. Matthew (Mt 13:44-52)

Jesus said to his disciples: “The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. “Do you understand all these things?” They answered, “Yes.” And he replied, “Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old.”

This is the gospel of the Lord. **R. PRAISE BE TO YOU...**

THE HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT (NB #261)

I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses, and the voice
I hear falling on my ear the Son of God discloses

He speaks and the sound of His voice is so sweet the birds hush their
singing. And the melody that he gave to me within my heart is singing.

And he walks with me and He talks with me, and he tells me I am His own;
and the joy we share as we tarry there no other has ever known.

THE HOMILY

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only
Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from
Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the
Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born
of the Virgin Mary AND BECAME MAN. For our sake He was crucified
under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day
he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and
is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to
judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe
in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken
through the prophets. I believe in one, holy catholic and apostolic church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the
resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

17th Sunday (A) in Ordinary Time—Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: The Lord speaks to us, as he spoke to King
Solomon, “Ask what you would like me to give you.” In
prayer, let us come to him and seek the hidden treasure,
the pearl of the Kingdom.

Lector: For our sister of blessed memory, Margaret Sobocinski, that we raise her in prayer today as we acknowledge her life in the Kingdom of Heaven, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: That, as we have heard Jesus speak of the Kingdom of Heaven, we may grow in understanding, respect, and yearning for this place of perfection, we pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For the leaders of nations afflicted by poverty, famine, and injustice, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For those working for a fair distribution of the food and resources of the earth (*short pause*) We pray to the Lord, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lector: For our own efforts to choose the hidden treasure of personal faith and prayer, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For the health and protection of our brothers and sisters- for those who continue to battle the COVID-19 pandemic on the front lines, especially Richard & Edna Samelson, Shannon Alberino, Jeremy Steinbreck, Mary Cawley, Eugene Beggin, Diane Black, Len Pryer, Emma Freshwater, Jennifer Kless, Jack Spilka, John Radon, Jim Giles, Tom Slomka, Kim Penney, Nina Braquet, Tammy Teubl, Jan Sobolewski, Debbie Washenko, Kenny Mach, for all on our parish's prayer list, for all who struggle with their health, for all friends and family members, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For the souls of the faithful departed, especially our sister Margaret Sobocinski _____, for all departed friends and family members of our Parish, (*pause*) We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Celebrant: God of provident love, you call people into your kingdom; you make all things work to their good. We are confident that you hear our prayers, and that you will grant our requests, always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. R: Amen!

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY VERSE (*James 1:5*)

But if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God Who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and he will be given it.

OFFERTORY HYMN (*NB #199*)

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord to Thee. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love, at the impulse of Thy love.

Take my will and make it Thine - it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own. It shall be Thy royal throne. It shall be Thy royal throne.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Heavenly Father, through this oblation change our hearts that our lives may be parables of Your greatness. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

THE PREFACE AND THE SANCTUS (*Sung*)

THE UNION OF UTRECHT CANON

LORD'S PRAYER: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

R. Because there is one bread we who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one Bread.

C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life. **R.** Amen.

C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. **R.** Amen.

C. The peace of the Lord be with you always. **R:** And also with you.

C. Let us pray together the first Communion Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world. By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

Act of Spiritual Communion

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN *(NB #106)*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, Thou has taught me to say “it is well, it is well with my soul!” It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well with my soul!

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought - my sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the Cross and I bear it no more! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, oh my soul! It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well with my soul!

THE COMMUNION VERSE *(1 Corinthians 1:24)*

C: To those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike,

R: **Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

***Please Stand:* THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

LET US PRAY... Lord Jesus Christ, grant us true insight that we who have been strengthened by Your presence may bring forth treasures both old and new and be worthy to be called Your disciples. For You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

CLOSING HYMN *(NB #55)*

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father. There is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not. As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be!

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness – morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided. Great is Thy faithfulness Lord, unto me.