

Holy Family Parish Polish National Catholic Church

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OPENING HYMN

PNCC #210 -In Thy Protection

ENTRANCE HYMN (Psalm 39:6; 49:11)

C. You have given my days a very short span; my life is as nothing before You. All mortals are but a breath.

R. Anyone can see that the wisest die, the fool and the senseless pass away too, and must leave their wealth to others.

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.

FIRST READING

ECC 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun?

All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 AND 17 R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, or as a watch of the night.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You make an end of them in their sleep; the next morning they are like the changing grass, Which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us!

Prosper the work of our hands!

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING

COL 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all. The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA MT 5:3

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

GOSPEL LK 12:13-21

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me."

He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!"

But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God." The Gospel of the Lord.

CLOSING HYMN

Ritual Song #695 – Praise to the Lord the Almighty (verses 1, 2, 4)

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian & Fr. Bruce Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marianna Pełka, Anna Dryfik, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Jeff McBride, Helene Tylor, Richard Tomkovitz, Meredith Straw, Colleen Kortz, Lori Tomko, Charles Koczera, John Razukiewicz, Vicki Griffiths, Kiersten Donahoe, Rose Marie Korch, Roberta Wagner, Bishop John Mack, Bishop Paul Sobiechowski, Nate Lennon, Luca Milbower, Karyn Muse, Blair Lloyd, Veronica Campbell, Cindy Puchka, Wendy Blotzer, Ted Gibala, Janis Gibala, Michael Gdovic, Annamarie Points, Lindsey Grantz, Martha Krusienski, Glenn Zaucha.

FAITH SHARING

The common theme of today's readings is the futility of the greedy acquisition of wealth and power because everything and everyone is "here today and gone tomorrow."

The first reading reminds us that the greedy acquisition and hording of material wealth is useless because when the hoarder dies, he goes to eternity empty-handed, and his heir gains, and perhaps squanders, his riches.

<u>In the second reading</u>, Paul directs our attention to lasting, Heavenly treasures and warns that greed for wealth and influence is idolatry.

In today's <u>Gospel</u>, Jesus, telling the parable of the foolish rich man, warns us against all types of greed, because greed takes our life's focus away from God and away from serving and loving Him in Himself and in other people.



LIFE MESSAGE

We are invited to share our blessings with others. The parable of the rich fool gives us a warning as well as an invitation. It reminds us that our possessions



are merely lent to us by God, and that we are accountable for their use. We must be generous in sharing our time, our treasure, and our talents in Christian stewardship. Even if we are poor financially, we may be blessed with intelligence, good will, a sense of humor, or the ability to console, encourage, inspire, support, and help others. God expects us to live out our spoken thanks to Him for all t hese blessings by sharing them with others for His glory.

Let us contr ol our greed. Our greed takes different shapes and forms. For some, it may be the desire for the approval and praise of others. For others, it is the uncontrolled desire for power, control, or fame. For still others, greed takes the form of excessive and sinful indulgence in eating, drinking, gambling, drugs, or sexual activities. Greed also turns our life away from God and away from loving and serving Him in Himself and in other people. As greed directs all our energy and attention to fulfilling the self, its objects become our false gods, and they will consume us, unless we curb them, pay attention to those in need around us and, thus, become rich in the sight of God.

USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

8/3/2025 Joe Parknavy, Shawn Davis 8/10/2025 Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence 8/17/2025 Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski 8/24/2025 Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong 8/31/2025 Don Newcamp, George Jobes



LAJKONIKI

The Lajkoniki Dancers will be performing today at 3:00 p.m at Vinoski's Winery Polish Festival, located at 333 Castle Dr. Rostraver Pa. 15012. Festival hours 12:00 to 5:00 pm. Traditional Polish music and food. Free admission. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair as tables fill up.

AED TRAINING - TODAY AFTER MASS

Alexa and Abbey will do an AED demonstration and stroke recognition info session today after mass. It should only take 20-30 mins.





SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 13, 2025, 2:00PM. At the Little Lake Theater, 500 Lakeside Dr South, Canonsburg, PA 15317. Adults \$20.00 Childre, under 18 \$10.00, PNA (PNU) Children FREE. Recommended ages 13+. Sponsored by Polish National Alliance Council 305. Reservations needed by Aug 1, 2025.

Continue the Fun! Join us afterwards at Juniper Grill! Dinner not included in ticket price. Call Marian 412-

494-8276

Lord Jesus, who reign in Heaven, breathe the Holy Spirit upon men from our Church as You did upon Your Apostles, so that they may go forth proclaiming the Good News and forgiving sins in Your name. Amen.



NATIONAL UNITED CHOIRS CONVENTION AND WORKSHOP

Big thanks to all who helped us to make this convention, workshop and concert so beautiful and heart lifting. We hope that all attendees are happy with the experience of the Holy Family Parish hospitality and generosity. This was possible because of many people who worked tirelessly, some for many weeks or even months before the event.

First of all, thank you, **Wendy Blotzer** and **Carol Davelli** for organizing this event and gentle directing us in this project. **Carol Burlikowski** (Parish Chaiman), **Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk** and the **Parish Committee** for the support.

Our appreciation goes to the following Parishioners working on various stages of this NUC event.

In the Kitchen:

Dee Dee Eagan, David Kost, Kathy Trumpe, Bozena Kijowski, Wanda Korenoski, Kristen Korenoski, Janice Griffiths, Henrietta Albeck, Fr. Bruce Sleczkowski, Marian Sleczkowski, Stephanie Coddington, Marlene Jobs, Angela Mayfield

Hospitality Room:

Lenny & Kathy Guy, David Kost, Stan Tadajski, Ed Goralczyk

Set-Up Church and Hall:

David Kost, Lenny Guy, Stan Tadajski

Liturgy of the Opening Mass:

Fr. Mariusz, Fr. Bruce, David Kost, Jathan Kotulsky, Joel Kotulsky, John Dryfik, Wendy Blotzer & Choir, Izabela Dryfik (video presentation), Carol Burlikowski (welcome)

Audio equipment setup and wiring

Fr. Mariusz, Jathan Kotulsky, Joel Kotulsky, John Dryfik

Audio mixing

Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk

Video livestreaming:

Izabela Dryfik, Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk

Video equipment programming and video presentation

Izabela Dryfik

Photos:

Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk, David Kost

Hall decoration:

Izabela Dryfik, Wendy Blotzer, Barbara Tadajski

Cleaning:

Angela & Mike Mayfield, David Kost, Lenny Guy, Wendy Blotzer, Izabela Dryfik, Fr. Mariusz

Chopin Choir Members:

Wendy Blotzer, Carol Davelli, Carol Burlikowski, Stephanie Coddington, Gary Coddington, Henrietta Kleckner, Izabela Dryfik

The Annunciation Bell Choir Members:

Wanda Korenoski, Kristen Korenoski, Debbie Parknavy, Jen Parknavy

Musicians:

Joy Kotulsky (flute), Jathan Kotulsky (trumpet), Joel Kotulsky (alto saxophone)

Entertainment:

Lajkoniki Dancers (directors: Frank and Rosemary Pociask)

Desserts:

All Parishioners who baked and delivered delicious cakes, pies and cookies.

One more time, thank you all for all.



PARKING LOT

Our parking lot will be used as paid parking for the International Village event on August 12-13-14. All registered parishioners can park with free donation, all others with flat rate fee. Lajkoniki dancers can park for free when they come for

practice. Volunteers are asked to park their vehicles on the street in front of the church and rectory. Each day will have 2 shifts: 3-6 PM and 6-9 PM. Sign in sheet for volunteers is available in the narthex.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 3, 2025 – 18th Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM - Holy Mass

For All Parishioners

Monday, August 4, 2025 – Weekday

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 – Weekday

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 – Weekday

Thursday, August 7, 2025 – Weekday

Friday, August 8, 2025 - Weekday

Saturday, August 9, 2025 – Weekday

Sunday, August 10, 2025 – 19th Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM - Holy Mass

† Warren Albeck – requested by Henrietta Albeck

8/15/25 Fr 7:00 PM Dormition/Assumption of the BVM

OPEN

8/17/25 Su 10:00 AM 20th Ordinary Sunday

† Paul Yonek – requested by Bob & Janet Yonek

8/24/25 Su 10:00 AM 21st Ordinary Sunday

† Raymond Kostovny – requested by wife Barbara

8/31/25 Su 10:00 AM 21st Ordinary Sunday

† Michael Bellesfield – requested by wife Barbara

MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM Mass for Date requested Requested by Address Phone Number Mass stipend \$ Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to: Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 1921 Eden Park Blvd, McKeesport, PA 15132