

## Holy Family Parish Polish National Catholic Church

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# 30 Ordinary Sunday October 26, 2025



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### OPENING HYMN

PNCC # 231 The Churches One Foundation

### ENTRANCE HYMN (Sirach 35:12-13)

C. For He is a God of justice, Who knows no favorites.

- R. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet He hears the cry of the oppressed.
- 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

SIR 35:12-14, 16-18

A reading from the Book of Sirach.

The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed. The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay. The Word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Let my soul glory in the LORD;

the lowly will hear me and be glad.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD confronts the evildoers,

to destroy remembrance of them from the earth.

When the just cry out, the Lord hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves.

The LORD redeems the lives of his servants:

no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

### SECOND READING

2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

Beloved: I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have

kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen. The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA 2 COR 5:19

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, and entrusting to us the message of salvation.

### GOSPEL LK 18:9-14

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector.

The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." The Gospel of the Lord.

### CLOSING HYMN

PNCC #210 In Thy Protection

### 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, Richard Tomkovitz, Meredith Straw, Colleen Kortz, Lori Tomko, Charles Koczera, John Razukiewicz, 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, Ted Gibala, Janis Gibala, Annamarie Points, Lindsey Grantz, Martha Krusienski, Glenn Zaucha, Mary Lynn Pleczkowski, Dorothy Hahn, Michelle Marsischky, Sherry Mack, Jean DePodesta, Hannah West, Sarah Tomkiewicz, Henrietta Kleckner, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko.

### FAITH SHARING

The main theme of today's Gospel is that true humility and repentance for our sins must be the hallmark of our prayers.

<u>In the first reading</u>, the writer declares "the prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds to reach the unseen throne of God." Such prayers are heard because they come from the hearts of people who know how much they need God. Although God has no favorites and answers the prayers of all, the oppressed, the orphans, the widows, and those who can least help themselves are His special concern. The best prayer is humble and selfless service.

<u>In the second reading</u>, Paul humbly acknowledges his work as accomplished by the grace of God, and he thanks God for enabling him to fight a good battle, to run a good race, while keeping his Faith intact and proclaiming it.

In today's <u>Gospel</u> Jesus reminds us that God hears the prayers of one who approaches Him in humility with a repentant heart. God did not hear the prayer of this Pharisee because he exalted himself. The tax collector's prayer was heard because he humbled himself, acknowledging his sins and requesting God's mercy.

### LIFE MESSAGE

We become the proud Pharisee when we brag about our achievements, giving no credit to God or those who help us, when we seek praise and recognition from others for our accomplishments, and when we degrade others with insensitive comments, hurting their feelings.

Let us include all the necessary ingredients in our prayers. Our personal prayers must include our request for pardon and forgiveness for our sins, our thanksgiving for the numerous blessings we receive daily from God, our praise and worship, the acknowledgement of our weakness and total dependence on Him, and finally, the presentation of our needs and petitions, asking that they be granted only to the extent that they are in accord with His Holy Will. Let us pray every day: "Be merciful to me, a sinner."

### USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

10/26/2025 Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski 11/2/2025 Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong 11/9/2025 Lenny Guy, George Jobes 11/16/2025 Joe Parknavy, Shawn Davis 11/23/2025 Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence 11/30/2025 Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski 12/7/2025 Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong 12/14/2025 Lenny Guy, George Jobes 12/21/2025 Joe Parknavy, Shawn Davis 12/24/2025 Christmas Vigil - Team 12/28/2025 Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence



### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Please remember to turn your clocks backward 1 hour. Sleep longer and well but please be in the church on proper time to celebrate All Souls Day.

### FR. SENIOR ROBERT PLECZKOWSKI IS IN CHARGE OF ALL EMERGENCY PHONE CALLS

In case of the emergency (Anointing at home or in the hospital) please call the parish office number (412) 678-0566. It will be



redirected to Fr. Senior Pleczkowski. In case he does not respond, please leave a detailed message and your phone number. If your loved one is in danger of death in the hospital, or any other institution, please do not hesitate to contact the hospital Catholic chaplain. Each hospital has one.

### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE (III)**

**Sean Michael Nerone**, son of Michael and Amy (Thomas) Nerone and



**Abbey Lynne Foster,** daughter of Kevin and Alexa (Adamek) Foster Wedding ceremony: November 15, 2025 at Holy Family PNCC in McKeesport.

If anyone knows just cause why this man and this woman may not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, speak now or else forever hold your peace.



### ORDINATION

We are announcing the ordination of **Deacon Robert Theodore Grizzell** to the Holy Priesthood. These orders will be conferred on Saturday, November 15, 2025 at 11:00 AM at St. Jude the Apostle Parish in San Antonio, TX.

If anyone knows just cause why this man should not be ordained, speak now or else forever hold your peace.

### THANK YOU FOR HOSTING M&E MEETING

M&E Commission would like to thank Holy Family for hosting them. And a special thank you to the ladies for the delicious meals and warm hospitality.

### **UPCOMING POTATO PIEROGI SALE - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

Save the date and look for details in the next bulletin. Pre-order ONLY. Call Oct 27 & 28, 9 AM – noon. **412-751-0106** 





### ART AND CRAFT WORKSHOP

Join our Art and Craft Workshop on November 9<sup>th</sup> after Mass. Materials, a sandwich and drinks will be provided. Tickets (\$10.00) will be available for purchase in the narthex today and next Sunday after Mass.

### PRAYERS FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED

This **Saturday**, **November 1** we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**. It is a Catholic holy day of obligation. The Mass will be offered at 10:00 AM.

All Souls Day, November 2, is celebrated on Sunday, also at 10:00 AM.

This year the All-Souls cemetery procession and the blessing of the graves is cancelled. We apologize for this inconvenience.





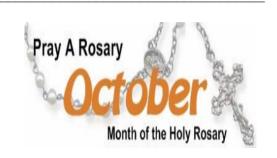
### LADIES MEETINGS

Nov 9, Dec 14, Social Hall, 9:00 AM



### YMSofR MEAT AND MONEY LOTTERY

Freezer deal of meat and \$500 cash! Tickets (\$5.00) are available in the Narthex after Mass. Drawing: November 21.



### PROJECT BUNDLE-UP FUNDRAISER



YMSofR will participate in the Project Bundle-Up fundraiser again this year. There will be a basket in the narthex to collect cash-only donations. The last day for donations will be Sunday Nov 29th. The donation will be acknowledged on WTAE news on December 5th.

### **URGENT HELP NEEDED!**

One of the members of the PNCC, **Ewelina** (**Mendelewski**) **Filyushchenko**, daughter of Fr. Chris Mendelewski, pastor in Davis, FL is in need of our prayers. Ewelina got sick 6 years ago. Her brain tumor had been removed, and after chemo, she was able to even work again in the hospital. She is a dedicated nurse, mother of two. Ewelina is a member of St. Valentine's PNCC, Phila, and used to be a Vice-Chairman of the Parish Committee.



Now her cancer is back and Ewelina needs also the financial support. Therefore, the Holy Family Parish Committee humbly asks all our Parishioners and friends for donations for Ewelina. Let's help to save her life.

On next Sunday, November 1 and on the following November 9, there will be a second collection basket. Checks can be made to the Holy Family PNCC with memo "Ewelina". In case you are unable to attend the church on these days, please mail your check to the parish office. Write "EWELINA" on the envelope. Thank you for your generosity!

Please visit Ewelina's Facebook profile https://www.facebook.com/ewelina.fil.9

### LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

<u>Sunday,</u> October 26, 2025 – 30<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday 10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Anthony Palko – requested by Frances Palko

† Henry Lawrence (45th Ann.) – requested by Henrietta and Terry Kleckner

Monday, October 27, 2025 – Weekday

**Tuesday**, October 28, 2025 – Feast – Simon & Jude, Apostles

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 – Weekday

Thursday, October 30, 2025 – Weekday

Friday, October 31, 2025 – Weekday

Saturday, November 1, 2025 - Solemnity - All Saints

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

For All Deceased Parishioners and Relatives

<u>Sunday</u>, November 2, 2025 – 31<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Sunday / Solemnity – All Souls 10:00 AM – Holy Mass

For All Deceased Parishioners and Relatives

11/9/25 Su 10:00 AM 32<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Sunday

† Beverlee Kotulsky – requested by the Kotulsky Family

† George Mulac (34th Anniversary of Death) – requested by wife Helen Mulac

11/15/25 St 2:30 PM Wedding Mass: Sean Nerone – Abbey Foster

11/16/25	Su	9:00 AM	33 <sup>rd</sup> Ordinary Sunday (Congregational Meeting		
Sunday)					
† Marla C	hichwal	k – requested by E	Bob & Janet Yonek		
† Julia Ru	icinski (	22 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary	of Death) requested by Allen, Wanda and Kristen		
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11/23/25	Su	10:00 AM	Solemnity – Christ the King		
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11/26/25	We	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Mass		
OPEN					
11/30/25	Su	10:00 AM	1st Sunday of Advent		
† Alice Demski (22 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Death) – requested by Gary Demski					
12/7/25 S	u	10:00 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent		
† Joseph I	Korch –	requested by Dau	ghter Janet Korch		
12/14/25	Su	10:00 AM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent		
† Anthony	y Palko	<ul> <li>requested by Fra</li> </ul>	ances Palko		
12/21/25	Su	10:00 AM	4th Sunday of Advent		
OPEN					
12/24/25	We	10:00 PM	Vigil of Christmas		
For All Pa	arishion	ers (No individual	memorial Mass can be accepted)		
12/25/25	Th	10:00 AM	Solemnity – The Nativity Of Our Lord		
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For All Parishioners (No individual memorial Mass can be accepted) 10:00 AM **Solemnity – Humble Shepherds** 12/28/25 Su OPEN

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Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to: Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 1921 Eden Park Blvd, McKeesport, PA 15132