



Holy Family Parish Polish National Catholic Church



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5th Easter Sunday May 18th, 2025



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OPENING HYMN

All Are Welcome – RS #846

ENTRANCE HYMN (John 13:34-35)

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

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

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

ACTS 14:21-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

The LORD is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD,
and let your faithful ones bless you.

Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, and the glorious
splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages,

and your dominion endures through all generations.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING

REV 21:1-5A

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race.

He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

JN 13:34

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:

love one another as I have loved you.

GOSPEL

JN 13:31-33A, 34-35

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian & Fr. Bruce Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Marianna Pełka, Anna Dryfik, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Jeff McBride, Carol Davelli, Helene Tylor, Richard Tomkovitz, Meredith Straw, Colleen Kortz, Lori Tomko, Charles Koczera, Marlene Koczera, John Razukiewicz, Vicki Griffiths, Kiersten Donahoe, Rose Marie Korch, Renata Woś, Roberta Wagner, Lucas Etzel, Kellie Gates, Bishop John Mack, Bishop Paul Sobiechowski, Nate Lennon, Luca Milbower, Karyn Muse, Joyce Haber, Blair Lloyd, Justice Coddington, Martin Carney, Kathy Guy, Veronica Campbell, Cindy Puchka, Wendy Blotzer, Gladys Bacco, Lani

Knabenschuh, Ted Gibala, Michael Gdovic, Annamarie Points, Connor DiBernardo, Emilie Bezler, Lindsey Grantz, Martha Krusienski, Melyssa Strychor, Dorothy Hahn.

CLOSING HYMN

Hail Blessed Mary – PNCC #268

FAITH SHARING

Today’s readings are about renewal and new things: *The New Jerusalem*, a new Heaven with a new earth, and a new commandment.

The first reading describes how the small Christian communities helped the work of renewal in their members by their *agápe* love, imitating the *agápe* love of Paul and Barnabas.

The second reading explains how God renews His Church, *the New Jerusalem*, by being present in her members, in their parish communities, and in their liturgical celebrations. “*See, I am making all things new.*”



Today’s Gospel passage gives us the secret of Christian renewal as the faithful practice of Jesus’ new commandment: “*Love one another as I have loved you*” (Jn 13:35). Jesus has added a new element to the Old Testament command of love by teaching us that the true test of discipleship is to love other people in the same way that he has loved us, with sacrificial, selfless, self-giving and unconditional, *agápe* love. Thus, the renewal of Christian life means a radical change of vision and a reordering of our priorities in life. Such a renewal brings us to embrace new attitudes, new values, and new standards of relating to God, to other people and, indeed, to our whole environment.

LIFE MESSAGE

Let us learn to love ourselves so that we may learn to love each other. The old commandmentsays: “*Love your neighbor as yourself*” (Lv 19:1-2, 9-18). We cannot learn to cherish others and care for them if we have never learned to do the same for ourselves. We live in a world that denies our basic human worth. How do we reclaim our basic worth? We can become whole and holy, only when we learn to love ourselves properly, acknowledging the fact that we are children of God and that the Triune God resides in our souls, making our body the “*temple of the Holy Spirit.*”

LOVE LIKE Jesus

We love others by responding to their everyday needs with love and compassion. We love others by comforting and protecting those who have experienced loss. We love others by serving others in every possible way, no matter how small, seeing the face of Jesus in each of them. We love others by forgiving rather than condemning, and by challenging rather than condoning. Finally, we love others by sacrificially sharing our time, talents, and blessings with them.

USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

5/18/2025 Don Newcamp, George Jobes
5/25/2025 Joe Parknavy, Shawn Davis
6/1/2025 Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence
6/8/2025 Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski
6/15/2025 Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong
6/22/2025 Don Newcamp, George Jobes

6/29/2025 Joe Parknavy, Shawn Davis
7/6/2025 Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence
7/13/2025 Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski
7/20/2025 Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong
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MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY.

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, but the entire month.

Every Wednesday at 7:00 PM during May we will be praying Marian Litany in the intention of our Parish and our Families. Please make every effort to participate.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN OUR PARISH

Rt. Rev. John Mack, Bishop of Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese will visit us on Sunday, June 8, to celebrate with us the Solemnity of Pentecost. Bishop John during solemn Holy Mass will give a Sacrament of Confirmation to two of our parishioners.

NATIONAL MISSION & EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

This year The National Mission & Evangelism Workshop will be held on May 30 – June 1 and is hosted by St. Francis of Assisi PNCC Parish in Denver, CO. Our Parish is represented by David Kost.

YMSofR MEN'S RETREAT

This year the Men's Retreat will be held on June 18-21 at Bishop Hodur Retreat & Recreation Center in Waymart, PA and it is themed "For us men, and for our Salvation.". You don't have to be YMSR member to participate.

Here is a link to the retreat's website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/ymsofrmensretreat/home>

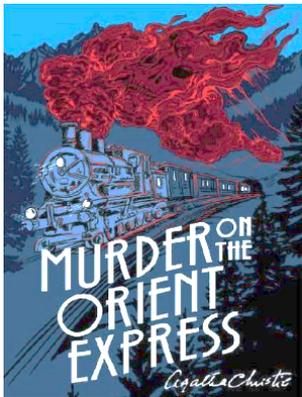
Fr. Mariusz has any forms you might need, they can be emailed to you upon request. The cost is \$150 for the event, but if that is an issue, we can talk about it. Among the meals featured: outdoor bbq, wings/stromboli/pizza, sandwich bar, kebab city, and full breakfasts each day.

Events include an off-site trip for worship at St. Adalbert's PNCC on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, an option to golf 9 holes, an in-ground swimming pool, on-site darts, cornhole boards, pool table, ping pong, hiking, fishing, an option for a short "Holy City" tour, and more.

For details, please reach out via email or call/text Fr. Jason Soltysiak (216) 978-6645, frjason82@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

The Holy Mass in the intention of those who sacrificed their lives for our country will be offered at Holy Family Cemetery on **Memorial Day, Monday, May 26th at 10:30AM**. After Mass our Parish will salute the fallen soldiers by participating in the Memorial Day Parade in White Oak. Please join us. There will be transportation organized to go back to the parked cars.



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

FROM THE PRIME BISHOP'S OFFICE

Honor a Father on Father's Day



We pray for all fathers, both lay and clergy, past and present, to express our gratitude, remembrance and love for all they have done for our families and for our Church.

For continued support of our Clergy Pension Fund and to acknowledge ALL FATHERS, we will publish in the June issue of God's Field — Rola Boza your name and the name of the father you wish to acknowledge or remember.

For each acknowledgement or remembrance, we are requesting a minimum donation of \$25.00, payable to the Clergy Pension Fund P.N.C.C.

We feel that this will have a two-fold affect, by acknowledging or remembering OUR FATHERS, LAY OR CLERGY, for all they have done for us and also to bolster our Clergy Pension Fund in order to show our continued support for our Clergy, our Church Fathers, who make so many sacrifices each day in service to our Church.

All donations received go toward the Clergy Pension Fund of the Polish National Catholic Church.

Please cut out & complete the form, below, and submit it prior to June 1, 2025, along with your minimum donation of \$25.00 per name, to the

**Clergy Pension Fund
1006 Pittston Avenue
Scranton, PA 18505**

Please make checks payable to the "Clergy Pension Fund P.N.C.C."

Thank you for your support.

P.N.C.C. Clergy Pension Fund Committee

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(Limit of one name per minimum \$25.00 donation)

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Remembered by: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 18, 2025 – Fifth Easter Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Helen Balawajder – requested by Bob & Janet Yonek

Monday, May 19, 2025 – Easter Weekday

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 – Easter Weekday

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 – Easter Weekday

7:00 PM – May Devotion

Thursday, May 22, 2025 – Easter Weekday

Friday, May 23, 2025 – Easter Weekday

Saturday, May 24, 2025 – Easter Weekday

Sunday, May 25, 2025 – Sixth Easter Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Jane Contrella – requested by Victoria & Richard DeLong

† Charles Korch (100th heavenly Birthday) – requested by Rose Marie Korch

5/26/25 Mo 10:30 AM Memorial Day (Mass at the Holy Family Cemetery)

For All Who Sacrificed Their Lives for Our Country

5/29/25 Th 7:00 PM Solemnity of our Lord's Ascension

† Toni Drake – requested by Fr. Mariusz with Family

6/01/25 Su 10:00 AM Seventh Easter Sunday / Solemnity of our Lord's Ascension

† Scott Grossett – requested by Frances Palko

6/08/25 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Pentecost / Confirmation Mass

For God's blessing for Joel and Jathan

6/15/25 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Trinity

OPEN

6/19/25 Th 7:00 PM Solemnity – Corpus Christi

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6/22/25 Su 10:00 AM Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi

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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*