



Holy Family Parish National Catholic Church

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32 Ordinary Sunday November 12, 2023



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OPENING HYMN

God Who Created – PNCC #208

ENTRANCE HYMN (Amos 5:14-15a)

C. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; Then truly will the Lord, the God of hosts, be with you as you claim!

R. Hate evil and love good, and let justice prevail at the gate.

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.

Reading 1

WIS 6:12-16

A reading from the Book of Wisdom.

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek;

for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts

like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary

to see your power and your glory,

For your kindness is a greater good than life;

my lips shall glorify you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus will I bless you while I live;

lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.

As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,

and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

I will remember you upon my couch,

and through the night-watches I will meditate on you:

You are my help,

and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Reading 2

1 THES 4:13-18

A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.

For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord.

Therefore, console one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord.

Alleluia

MT 24:42A, 44

Stay awake and be ready!

For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

Gospel

MT 25:1-13

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.'

While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!'

But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Hudson Tutko, Chelsea Manetta, Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Darren Geyer, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Johanna Pardoe, Allan Soltez, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pelka, Bronisław Korus, Ewa Nowak, Zofia Mularczyk, Dave Calabria, Doris Lynch, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Rosalie Clark, Katarzyna Dryfik, Lucille Davelli, Joan Kotulsky, Florence Coles.

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Father Mariusz will visit them with the Holy Communion.

CLOSING HYMN

Who Can Measure Heaven And Earth – Ritual Song #645

FAITH SHARING

This Sunday's readings bring the usual warnings about preparation for the end of our own world, the end of our own time, and our passage to another world. They tell us that a searching, watching, and growing heart is essential for a lively, dynamic Faith in God. They ask us whether we are ready for these events and how we are preparing for them.

Because Jesus' parable in today's Gospel has five well-prepared wise women, the first reading chosen for today is one which personifies wisdom as a woman. The author advises Jews in Alexandria not to envy the wisdom of the pagan philosophers, because they themselves have true wisdom in their Sacred Scripture, a wisdom which regulates not only this life but the next also. Hence, they must live their lives in strict conformity with the Divine wisdom given them so generously by God.

In the second reading, Paul offers Christian wisdom, assuring those Christians who expected Jesus' second coming in their lifetime that the death and Resurrection of Jesus is powerful enough to save even those who die before Jesus' *second coming*. But they need to be alert, well-prepared, and vigilant.

In the Gospel parable of the ten virgins, the foolish virgins represent the "Chosen People of God" who were waiting for the Messiah but were shut out from the messianic banquet because they were unprepared. The parable teaches us that, like the five wise virgins, we should attend to duties of the present moment, preparing now, rather than waiting until it is too late.



LIFE MESSAGE

We need to be wise enough to remain ever prepared: Wise Christians find Jesus in the most ordinary experiences of daily living — in the people they meet, the events that take place, and the situations in which they find themselves — and they carefully make their daily choices for God. They are ready to put the commandment of love into practice by showing kindness, mercy and forgiveness.

Let us be sure that our Lamps are ready for the end of our lives: Spiritual readiness, preparation, and growth are the result of intentional habits built into one's life. We cannot depend on a Sunday Mass to provide all our spiritual needs. We cannot depend on Christian fellowship to provide us with spiritual development.

When we receive the graces we need, we thank God for His generous love. As taking these ways becomes habitual, they cease to be a struggle and begin to be a source of strength and blessing. They make our lives powerful against the onslaught of the world.

SAMBS MEETINGS AND MISSION COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Nov 12, 2023; Dec 3, 2023; Jan 14, 2024; Feb 11, 2024; Mar 10, 2024;
Apr 7, 2024; May 12, 2024



LAJKONIKI WILL BE PERFORMING IN OAKLAND

Lajkoniki are going to dance at the 41st Annual Polish fest at Pitt Cathedral of Learning on Sunday, November 12, 12PM – 4PM. Lajkoniki Dancers 3:00PM. Free admission.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 19, 2023. **Mass will be exceptionally at 9:00 AM**, and the meeting right after. Please mark your calendar.

A graphic with a dark green background. At the top, the words "ANNUAL MEETING" are written in large, bold, white capital letters. Below this, a white horizontal line is drawn. Underneath the line, the date "November 19, 2023" is written in bold white text. To the right of the date, a hand is shown holding a white chalk stick, as if about to write. Below the date, the times "9:00 AM Holy Mass" and "10:00 AM Meeting" are listed in bold white text.

ANNUAL MEETING

November 19, 2023

9:00 AM Holy Mass
10:00 AM Meeting

ANGEL TREE

Have a child be blessed with joy this Christmas. We will be participating with the Salvation Army (coordinator Rosemary Pociask) and The Center for Victims (coordinator Ashley Griffiths). We ask that gifts be unwrapped, and Angel attached. Last day for donations Sunday December 3rd. Your gift for a child is greatly appreciated.



PROJECT BUNDLE UP

Holy Family YMS of R will be collecting monetary donations (cash or checks) to support WTAE Project Bundle Up. Please make checks payable to the YMS of R Holy Family Parish. Last day for donations Sunday November 26th. Your support will be greatly appreciated to those in need.

WIGILIA – CHRISTMAS DINNER



Please make reservations for our Christmas Dinner (**Wigilia**, pronounce: [vi'gilia] or [vee-geel-yah]) on **Saturday, December 9, 2023.**

Cut off date – December 3.

Price \$20 Adult, \$10 Children under 12 years old.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

(Masses available to public are only on Sundays, Solemnities and Holy Days of Obligation)

Sunday, November 12, 2023 – 32 Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Marla Chichwak – requested by Bob & Janet Yonek

† Julia Rucinski (20th Anniversary of Death) – requested by Allen, Wanda & Kristen

Monday, November 13, 2023 – Weekday

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – Weekday

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 – Weekday

Thursday, November 16, 2023 – Weekday

Friday, November 17, 2023 – Weekday

Saturday, November 18, 2023 – Weekday

Sunday, November 19, 2023 – 33 Ordinary Sunday

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Bonnie Zaucha – requested by Karen Petros

† Irene Jugan – requested by PNU District 5

11/21/23 Tu 10:00 AM Solemnity – Presentation of the BVM
 Maria Korus (Anniversary), Jan Dryfik – requested by Izabela

11/22/23 We 7:00 PM Mass for Thanksgiving
 For All Parishioners

11/26/23 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Christ the King
 † Raymond Kostovny – requested by Barbara Kostovny
 † Ed Kustra (6th Anniversary) – requested by Eileen Kustra

12/03/23 Su 10:00 AM 1 Sunday of Advent
 † Joseph Korch (20th Anniversary) – requested by Janet Korch
 † Alice Demski (20th Anniversary) – requested by Gary Demski

12/08/23 Fr 10:00 AM Solemnity – Immaculate Conception of the BVM
 † Laura Adamek – requested by Jozef Turcan

12/10/23 Su 10:00 AM 2 Sunday of Advent
 † Mildred Kotulsky – requested by Andrew (Butch) Stolinski

12/17/23 Su 10:00 AM 3 Sunday of Advent
 † Richard Contrella – requested by Adamel, Muse & Foster Family

12/24/23 Su 10:00 AM 4 Sunday of Advent
 OPEN

12/24/23 Su 10:00 PM Shepherd Mass (Pasterka)
 For All Our Beloved Departed (special Mass form will be available)

12/25/23 Mo 10:00 AM Solemnity – Christmas
 For All Our Beloved Departed (special Mass form will be available)

12/26/23 Tu 10:00 AM Feast – St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr
 OPEN

12/27/23 We 10:00 AM Feast – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist
 Mass with the blessing of wine (BYO Bottle for blessing)

12/30/23 St 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Family
 For All Parishioners of the Holy Family Parish

12/31/23 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Humble Shepherds
 OPEN

1/1/24 Mo 10:00 AM Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord
 OPEN

1/2/24 Tu 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus
 OPEN

1/6/24 St 10:00 AM Solemnity – Epiphany of our Lord
 OPEN

1/7/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Baptism of our Lord
 OPEN

1/14/24 Su 10:00 AM 2 Ordinary Sunday
 OPEN

1/21/24 Su 10:00 AM 3 Ordinary Sunday
 OPEN

1/28/24 Su 10:00 AM 4 Ordinary Sunday
 OPEN



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*

Give Me Oil In My Lamp

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