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Solemnity – Word of God June 29th, 2025



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OPENING HYMN

Ritual Song #914 – Alleluia, Sing to Jesus verses (verses 1, 2, 4)

ENTRANCE HYMN (Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 15:1-2)

C. Indeed, the Word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.

R. O Lord, who shall abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy mountain? Whoever walks without blame doing what is right, speaking truth from the heart.

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

JER 1:4-09

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The word of the Lord came to me: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you. “Ah, Lord GOD!” I said, “I do not know how to speak. I am too young!” But the LORD answered me, Do not say, “I am too young.” To whomever I send you, you shall go; whatever I command you, you shall speak. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you-oracle of the Lord. Then the Lord extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying to me, See, I place my words in your mouth.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

R. Praise the Lord for He has done marvelous deeds.

Sing a new song to the LORD,
for He has done marvelous deeds.

His right hand and holy arm
have won the victory.

R. Praise the Lord for He has done marvelous deeds.

The LORD has made His victory known;
has revealed His triumph in the sight of the nations,
He has remembered His mercy and faithfulness
toward the house of Israel.

R. Praise the Lord for He has done marvelous deeds.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth;
break into song; sing praise.

R. Praise the Lord for He has done marvelous deeds.

Sing praise to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and melodious song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy to the King, the LORD.

R. Praise the Lord for He has done marvelous deeds.

SECOND READING

HEB 4:12-16

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart. No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must render an account.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

PSALM 25: 10

All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth
toward those who honor His covenant and decrees.

THE GOSPEL

J 1:1-18

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me

ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.” From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father’s side, has revealed him. The Gospel of the Lord.

*After the Homily, all **Lectors** please come to the Sanctuary and stand between the Communion rails and the Altar.*

***The Organist, Choir Director and the Choir Members and other Musicians** please stand, but remain in the choir where you are. **Bell Choir Members** also please stand.*

RE-COMMISSIONING THE LECTORS AND MUSICIANS

David: Father, I present to you, the Lectors of the Holy Family Parish and within the Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese of the Polish National Catholic Church. Please give us a special blessing as we celebrate today the Solemnity of the Word of God.

Wendy: Father, I present to you, the Members of the Music Ministry, the Chopin Choir, the Annunciation Bell Choir and the Musicians of the Holy Family Parish and within the Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese of the Polish National Catholic Church. Please give us a special blessing as we celebrate today the Solemnity of the Word of God.

Pastor: Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to recognize and bless all those who proclaim the Word of God for us, by the reading of the Holy Scripture, or by the singing the hymns and songs which are based on the Bible, and also, in the Name of God, to re-commission all Lectors, Choirs Members and Musicians to their Ministry in our Church.

Are the Lectors and Musicians, committed to Christ as Lord, by regular attendance at worship, and by the knowledge of their duties, to exercise their Ministry to the honor of God, and the well-being of His Church?

David: In so far, as the grace of God allows, I acknowledge, all of us are well prepared.

Pastor: All Lectors and Musicians, Proclaimers of the Word of God, you have been called to the Ministry of Lectors and Singers in this Parish. Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with diligence?

All Lectors and Musicians: I will.

Pastor: Will you faithfully and reverently execute the duties of the Ministry of Lector or Choir Member, to the honor of God and to the benefit of the members of this congregation?

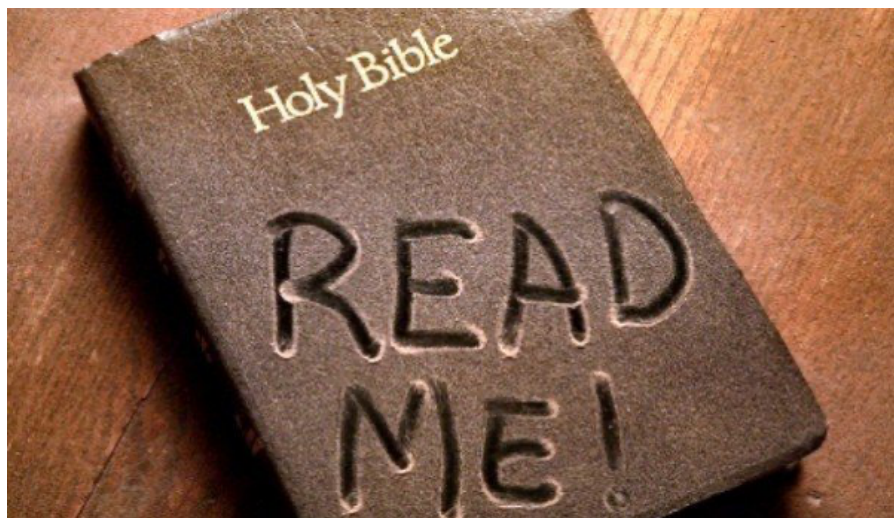
All Lectors and Musicians: I will.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, whose blessed Son read the Holy Scriptures in the synagogue, look graciously upon the Lectors of Your Church, and those who proclaim the Word of God by the music, and so enlighten them with wisdom and understanding that they may read and proclaim Your Holy Word to the glory of Your Name, and for the building up of Your people; we ask this through Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Pastor: In the Name of God, and by the authority of the Rt. Rev. John Mack, Bishop of our Diocese, I re-commission you as Lectors or Musicians in this Parish; and may Almighty God bless you all, † the Father, † and the Son, † and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.



CLOSING HYMN

PNCC #196 – **Blessed Is He** (verses 1 & 2)

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 Pelka, Anna Dryfik, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Jeff McBride, Helene Tylor, Richard Tomkovitz, Meredith Straw, Colleen Kortz, Lori Tomko, Charles Kocera, John Razukiewicz, Vicki Griffiths, Kiersten Donahoe, Rose Marie Korch, Roberta Wagner, Bishop John Mack, Bishop Paul Sobiechowski, Nate Lennon, Luca Milbower, Karyn Muse, Joyce Haber, Blair Lloyd, Veronica Campbell, Cindy Puchka, Wendy Blotzer, Gladys Bacco, Ted Gibala, Janis Gibala, Michael Gdovic, Dennis Gdovic, Annamarie Points, Lindsey Grantz, Martha Krusienski, Melyssa Strychor, Shawn Foley.

FAITH SHARING

The Word of God, the Bible, is God speaking to us about His Son, or God speaking to us through His Son. All Christian churches have been in agreement for nearly 2,000 years that the Bible is the Word of God, one that speaks primarily about his Son, Jesus Christ.

This year's readings for this Solemnity emphasize the theme of Word of God and its proclamation.

In our first reading God told Jeremiah that before he was born, God knew him. God called him (and us) to be His spokesmen. He touched Jeremiah's mouth and put his words there and promised He would give him courage & ability to speak for Him.

In the second reading the author points out that the everything promised by God is still offered, through Christ. The razor-sharp truth of the Word of God will separate what is truly spiritual from what is faithless. We should make every effort to obtain our inheritance in Christ, which is something separate from our eternal salvation.

Today's Gospel is a poetic introduction of Jesus Christ. Jesus is referred to using the Greek word "logos", meaning "the Word." This passage clearly describes Jesus as God, and co-creator with God the Father. These verses summarize Jesus' ministry and mission on Earth.



USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

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
7/27/2025 Don Newcamp, George Jobes

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 – REHEARSAL

Summer practices for the Lajkoniki will be on Mondays at Holy Family Parish hall.

June 30 at 6:30 p.m.

July 14 at 6:30 p.m.

July 7 at 6:30 p.m.

July 29 at 6:30 p.m.



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.

SAVE THE DATE

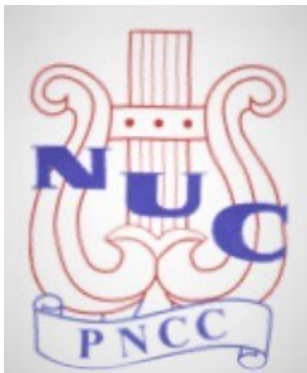
Saturday, September 13, 2025, 2:00PM. At the Little Lake Theater, 500 Lakeside Dr South, Canonsburg, PA 15317. Adults \$20.00 Childre, under 18 \$10.00, PNA (PNU) Children FREE. Recommended ages 13+.

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



NATIONAL UNITED CHOIRS CONVENTION AND WORKSHOP



Holy Family PNCC will host the National United Choirs 37th Convention and 29th Workshop, which is held every other year.

This workshop/convention begins on July 30 and concludes with a United Choir Concert at 6:30 PM on August 1, 2025. In addition to the participants showcasing spiritually uplifting music, they will use the vocal and musical techniques that were taught at the sessions.

The Music Scholarship Program will officially announce the winners for this year at this concert.

Three of these fine musicians will be part of the concert! After the concert, our own Lajkoniki Dancers will entertain us in the social hall. This will be followed by the traditional auction, whose proceeds support the Music Scholarship program.

All are welcome to attend and support our church choirs!

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 29, 2025 – Solemnity – Word of God

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Marlene Koczera – requested by Terry & Henrietta Kleckner

† Ed Ghetian (20th Anniversary of Death) – requested by wife Janet & children

Monday, June 30, 2025 – Weekday

Tuesday, July 1, 2025 – Weekday

Wednesday, July 2, 2025 – Solemnity – Visitation of the BVM

Thursday, July 3, 2025 – Weekday

Friday, July 4, 2025 – Weekday

Saturday, July 5, 2025 – Weekday

Sunday, July 6, 2025 – 14th Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Marlene Koczera – requested by David and Sandy Kost

7/13/25 Su 10:00 AM 15th Ordinary Sunday

OPEN

7/20/25 Su 10:00 AM 16th Ordinary Sunday

† Evelyn Sleczkowski, Blanche Lagesse – requested by Fr. Bruce & Marian Sleczkowski

7/27/25 Su 10:00 AM 17th Ordinary Sunday

OPEN

8/3/25 Su 10:00 AM 18th Ordinary Sunday

OPEN

8/10/25 Su 10:00 AM 19th Ordinary Sunday

OPEN

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

OPEN

