



Holy Family Parish National Catholic Church



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20th Ordinary Sunday August 20, 2023



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OPENING HYMN

PNCC #227 **Holy God, We Praise Thy Name**, verses 1,2,4

ENTRANCE HYMN

(**Baruch 5:5; Psalm 122:1-2**)

C: Up Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God.

R. I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." And now our feet are standing within your gates, Jerusalem.

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

IS 56:1, 6-7

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants — all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May God have pity on us and bless us;

may he let his face shine upon us.

So may your way be known upon earth;

among all nations, your salvation.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the nations be glad and exult

because you rule the peoples in equity;

the nations on the earth you guide.

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

May the peoples praise you, O God;

may all the peoples praise you!

May God bless us,

and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

READING 2

ROM 11:13-15, 29-32

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul the Apostle to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them.

For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

CF. MT 4:23

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

GOSPEL

MT 15:21-28

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus' disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Hudson Tutko, Chelsea Manetta, Arthur Eagan, Athena Becker, Steven Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Dolores Szutkowski, Darren Geyer, Paul Koper, Vickie DeLong, Ted Flora, Joseph Castahnola, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Rasford, Johnnie Pardoe, Virginia Duprey, Allan Soltez, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pełka, Bronisław Korus, Ewa Nowak, Zofia Mularczyk, Dave Calabria, Doris Lynch.

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.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Volume I #32 **Dearest Jesus We Would Praise Thee**

COMMUNION HYMN

CCH #468 **Healer of Our Every Ill**

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Vol II #29 **Blessed is He Who Trusts in God Almighty**

CLOSING HYMN

PNCC #228 **Joyful Joyful** verses 1, 2, 3

FAITH SHARING

All three readings today speak of the expansive and universal nature of the “Kingdom of God,” in contrast with the theory that salvation was offered first to the Jews and then, through them alone, to the rest of the world. Although God set the Hebrew people apart as His chosen race, He included all nations in His plan for salvation.

By declaring through the prophet Isaiah in our first reading, “*My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples,*” God reveals the truth that in His eyes there is no distinction among human beings on the basis of race, caste, or color. The long-expected Messianic kingdom was intended not only for the Jews but for all nations as well.

In the second reading, Paul explains that, although the Jews were the chosen people, many of them rejected Jesus as the promised Messiah, and, consequently, God turned to the Gentiles who received mercy through their Faith in Jesus.

In the Gospel story, Jesus demonstrates that salvation was meant for the Gentiles as well as for the Jews by healing the daughter of a Gentile woman as a reward for her strong Faith. Thus, Jesus shows us that God's mercy and love are available to all who call out to Him in Faith.



LIFE MESSAGE

Although the essential parts of prayer are adoration and thanksgiving, the prayer of petition, like the prayer of contrition, plays a big part in our daily lives. We must realize, and remember, that we do not always get exactly what we ask for. Rather, God gives us what He knows we really need, what He wants us to have, and what is really best for us. As Christians, we also know that our particular request may not always be for our good, or for the final good of the person for whom we are praying. But if the prayer is sincere and persevering, we will always get an answer — one which is better than what we asked for.



Very often we set up walls which separate us from God and from one another. Today's Gospel reminds us that God's love and mercy are extended to all who call on Him in Faith and trust, no matter who they are. In other words, God's care extends beyond the bounds of race and nation to the hearts of all who live, and God's House should become a House of Prayer for all peoples. It is therefore fitting that we should pray and work sincerely so that the walls which our pride, intolerance, fear, and prejudice have raised in us may crumble.

**Dear God,
Thank you for providing what we need every day.
Help us to be patient,
Even when You seem far away,
Help us to trust in You always.
Thank You for your love!
We love you, God!
In Jesus name, Amen!**

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 20, 2023 – 20 Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Vince & Victoria Leo – requested by Steffania Piekielek)

† Raymond Kostovny (2nd Anniversary) – requested by wife Barbara

† Paul Yonek – requested by Bob & Janet Yonek

Monday, August 21, 2023 – Weekday

Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – Weekday

Wednesday, August 23, 2023 – Weekday

Thursday, August 24, 2023 – Weekday

Friday, August 25, 2023 – Weekday

Saturday, August 26, 2023 – Solemnity – Our Lady of Czestochowa

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Laura Adamek – requested by Beth Ann & Tony Turcan

Sunday, August 27, 2023 – 21 Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Anthony Palko (12th Anniversary) – requested by wife Frances

† Marianne Keith (3rd Anniversary) – requested by Helen Mulac

08/29/23 Tu 10:00 AM Beheading of John the Baptist

† Marianne Keith – requested by Rosso Family

09/03/23 Su 10:00 AM 22 Ordinary Sunday

† Jan Dryfik (26th Anniversary)

09/08/23 Fr 10:00 AM Nativity of the BVM

† Mildred Kotulsky – requested by Henrietta Albeck

09/10/23 Su 10:00 AM Brotherly Love

† Richard Contrella – requested by Adamek, Muse & Foster Family

09/14/23 Th 10:00 AM Exaltation of the Holy Cross

† Raymond Kostovny – requested by Dolores Zoretich

09/15/23 Fr 10:00 AM Holy Mother of Sorrows

OPEN

09/17/23 Su 10:00 AM 24 Ordinary Sunday

† Shirley & Turk Potoczny – requested by Steffania Piekielek

† Ann Yonek – requested by Bob & Janet Yonek

09/24/23 Su 10:00 AM 25 Ordinary Sunday / Spójnia Sunday

For All Spójnia Members, Living and Deceased

For Deceased members of Popovic Family, Stephen, Helen, Robert, Darlene – requested by Children and Grandchildren

09/29/23 Fr 10:00 AM St. Michael, the Archangel

† Michał Mularczyk

10/01/23 Su 10:00 AM 26 Ordinary Sunday

OPEN

10/08/23 Su 10:00 AM 27 Ordinary Sunday / Christian Family

† Anthony Davelli (16th Anniversary of Death) – requested by Wife – Carol Davelli

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to order the Holy Mass as a birthday gift for someone you love or as a wedding anniversary gift, or a requiem Mass for your beloved who passed away, please contact Fr. Mariusz.

Holy Mass is the best you can give. This is the most precious gift ever. The Holy Mass is not reserved as a prayer for the dead. It is first of all for the living. You may request a Mass for almost any need or occasion. It's a prayer involving God deeper into your life and involving you deeper into God's life. Let Jesus be a gift for others.



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date requested _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ **Mass stipend \$** _____

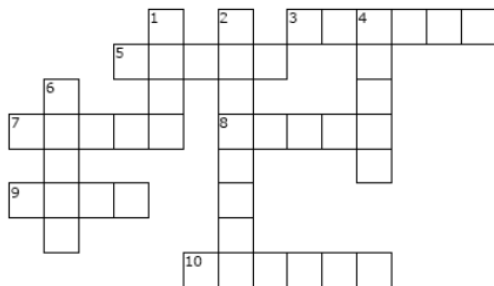
*Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to:
Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 1921 Eden Park Blvd, McKeesport, PA 15132*

PNU DISTRICT 5 FAMILY DAY



Sunday, August 20th
Washington Wild Things Babeball Game
Toys and Games Night
All you can eat buffet 4:30 P.M.
Game time 5:30 P.M.

Adults \$23.00; PNU children Free; Non-PNU Children \$10.00
See Henrietta Kleckner today after Mass or call 724-863-6715.
This fun event is opened to all parishioners and friends.



ACROSS

3. To experience physical or mental pain
5. An adult female human being
7. The Son of God
8. An very large amount of something
9. Unable to be found
10. Small pieces of bread or cake

DOWN

1. Animals with four legs, commonly kept as pets, and sometimes used to guard things
2. A female child in relation to her parents
4. To have trust or confidence in something or someone
6. An evil spirit

JESUS	DAUGHTER	SUFFER	CRUMBS	DEMON
WOMAN	GREAT	FAITH	DOGS	LOST

O D N F V L Q K R N G E O L A
 Z S T F E K M E R C Y R A Z U
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HEALED	DAUGHTER	SHEEP	FALL	MERCY
GREAT	CRYING	DOGS	LOST	JESUS
DEMON	HELP	TABLE	ISRAEL	WOMAN
EAT	FAITH	CRUMBS	SUFFERING	KNELT