

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 09/19 (Thursday) SPECIAL PIEROGI WORKSHOP at 10am. Please, come & give a hand preparing pierogi for our next Sale. If you cannot come, you can always make a contribution to help us buy the ingredients we need for the workshop.
- 09/21 (Saturday) PIEROGI & GOLABKI SALE from 9am to 12pm. We sell pierogi & golabki along with smoked meats, sausages, white cheese & farm fresh eggs.
- Big THANK YOU to **JACQUELINE GIROUARD** who volunteered cleaning our church last Friday. Any volunteer for the month of October?!
 - **CD with the church songs 2019** now available in the back of the church to take home! Your favorite hymns sung during the Mass you can listen (and pray) in your own house or in the car. Donations for the CDs will be dedicated to buy copyrights for new songs.
 - We would like to remind you about the possibility to **offer a Holy Mass in your own, particular intention!** Take one of the envelopes from the back of the Church, write down your intention and return it to Fr. Adam. We have still free Sundays in September & October to celebrate Mass for you!

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PARISH BULLETIN

XXIV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For the benefactors of St. John's parish.

INTROIT

C: Help us, God our Savior, for the glory of Your Name. Deliver us, pardon our sins for Your Name's sake.

R: Do not hold past iniquities against us; may Your compassion come quickly, for we have been brought very low.

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.



HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once to your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt, for they have become depraved. They have soon turned aside from the way I pointed out to them, making for themselves a molten calf and worshipping it, sacrificing to it and crying out, 'This is your God, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt!' "I see how stiff-necked this people is," continued the LORD to Moses. Let me alone, then, that my wrath may blaze up against them to consume them. Then I will make of you a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD, his God, saying, "Why, O LORD, should

EX 32:7-11, 13-14

your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with such great power and with so strong a hand? Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and how you swore to them by your own self, saying, 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky; and all this land that I promised, I will give your descendants as their perpetual heritage.'" So the LORD relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

„I will rise and go to my father.“

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READING 2

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to Timothy.

Beloved:
I am grateful to him who has strengthened me, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he considered me trustworthy in appointing me to the ministry. I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and arrogant, but I have been mercifully treated because I acted out of ignorance in my unbelief. Indeed, the grace of our Lord has been abundant, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance:

1 TM 1:12-17

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost. But for that reason I was mercifully treated, so that in me, as the foremost, Christ Jesus might display all his patience as an example for those who would come to believe in him for everlasting life. To the king of ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

LK 15:1-10

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them he addressed this parable. "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance. "Or what woman having ten coins and losing one would not light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it? And when she does find it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.' In just the same way, I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The joy of GOD’s merciful forgiveness could be an appropriate theme for today’s readings. In the First reading, GOD expresses the divine anger at the sinfulness of the people even after they have experienced the saving deeds of the Exodus. When GOD informs Moses about the plan to destroy the Chosen People, Moses steps in and pleads with GOD to be merciful and forgiving. The Responsorial Psalm is the prayer of a repentant sinner who seeks mercy from the LORD. In this section of his First Letter to Timothy, St. Paul mentions that GOD has been merciful and forgiving to Paul, even though he had tried to persecute the early Christians. Paul sees GOD’s graciousness to him could be a sign of how much the Lord Jesus is willing to forgive all sinners. In the Gospel, Jesus shares three parables which describe the joy that is experienced when sinners seek GOD’s pardoning of their offenses.