### **COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

10/04	<b>(Today)</b> One tenth of the Holy Rosary at 10am. before the Holy Mass begins. Reading of the Catechism of our Church at the end of the Mass.
10/07	(Wednesday) THE HOLY ROSARY PRAYER at 5pm.
10/10	(Saturday) EASTERN DIOCESE SYNOD via ZOOM (online). Fr. Adam, Fr. Henry and Mitchell (Parish delegate) will attend the Diocesan Synod.
10/11	(Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. <u>Mass Intention: For + JÓZEF PALUSZYŃSKI</u>
10/17	(Saturday) POLISH DINNER TAKE-OUT ONLY 5-7pm. Delicious beetroot soup (16oz.) & large tray of: Golabki (stuffed cabbage roll), mashed potatoes with butter & dill, fried Polish kielbasa, Lazanki (Polish Cabbage & noodles). \$20 per person. For St. John's parishioners: \$15 per person. Preorders until October 12: Fill the form on our website or call Fr. Adam

- **We're looking for 2-3 volunteers** for the upcoming POLISH DINNER. There is some work to be done before in the kitchen and then between 5-7pm. when people are coming to pick up their order. Thank you in advance!
- Month of OCTOBER is dedicated in the Church to the Holy Rosary. It was instituted
  to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives
  the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. At St. John's we
  will pray the rosary every Wednesday at 5pm. and one tenth of the Rosary before
  the Holy Mass every Sunday. Consider joining us!
- TODAY we return to have a COFFEE HOUR after the Mass for those who wish. We
  will still practice social distancing and State recommendations regarding the virus.
- 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. Have a blessed Sunday!

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# BEHOLD

### XXVII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **MASS INTENTION - 10am**

For + MARY ZAWISTOWSKI (req. by Marguerite Hensley)

#### INTROIT

C: You brought a vine out of Egypt; You drove away nations and planted it. You cleared the ground; it took root and filled the land.

R: It sent out boughs as far as the sea, shoots as far as the river. Why have you broken down the walls, so that all who pass by pluck its fruit?

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 the Prophet Isaiah.

Let me now sing of my friend, my friend's song concerning his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside; he spaded it, cleared it of stones, and planted the choicest vines; within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a wine press.

Then he looked for the crop of grapes, but what it yielded was wild grapes.

Now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard: What more was there to do for my vineyard that I had not done? Why, when I looked for

### IS 5:1-7

the crop of grapes,

did it bring forth wild grapes? Now, I will let you know what I mean to do with my vineyard: take away its hedge, give it to grazing, break through its wall, let it be trampled! Yes, I will make it a ruin: it shall not be pruned or hoed, but overgrown with thorns and briers; I will command the clouds not to send rain upon it. The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant; he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed! for justice, but hark, the outcry!

#### The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**PS 80** 

"The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel."

### **READING 2**

PHIL 4:6-9

### A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me.

Then the God of peace will be with you.

### The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL MT 21:33-43

### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

In the Gospel, mindful of the Hebrew scriptures (Old Testament) passages concerning vineyards, Jesus, shares a story with those who have come to hear Him. In the story, the owner of the vineyard does all that is necessary to be sure that the vines produce GOoD fruit. The owner sets up a wall around the vines, builds a wine press, constructs a watchtower from which those who take care of the vineyard can guard the vineyard from attack. After the owner has done all this, he hands over the care of the grapes to tenants. The tenants are greedy and want not only the fruit of the owner's labor, but also the land on which the grapes are grown. When servants come to collect what is rightfully owed to the owner, the tenants attack and even kill the servants. More messengers are sent by the owner. They, too, are mistreated. Finally the owner sends his son, the one who will inherit the vineyard. The tenants drag the son outside the walls and kill him.

Obviously, GOD is like the owner of the vineyard. The servant/messengers are the prophets from of old. The Son is Jesus. The fact that the Son is dragged outside the vineyard forecasts Jesus' being crucified outside the wall of Jerusalem.