

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 06/18

(Sunday—Father’s Day) **Holy Mass** at 10am. Special blessing for all fathers at the end of the Mass. Breakfast to follow in the church hall. **ALL ARE INVITED!** Collection for Clergy Pension Fund at the door.
- 06/21

(Wednesday) We’re looking for some **volunteers to prepare cabbage leaves for golabki - this is 2-3 hours job.** Please, let Fr. Adam know if you want to volunteer... Thank you in advance!
- 06/24

(Saturday) **POLISH FOOD FAMILY FESTIVAL 12pm—6pm.** All volunteers are expected to come **at least 1h before the Festival starts** to set up their workplaces.

Volunteers and Parishioners of St. John’s can go to the “ticket tent” for their free 12 festival tickets.
- 06/25

(XII Ordinary Sunday) **Holy Mass** at 10am. Coffee hour as usual in the Church hall. Mass Intention: For LINDA - new member of our Parish family.
- THANK YOU all parishioners and friends who donated to our upcoming Festival. Thank you for cash donations and merchandise (and gift cards) we will use as Bingo game prizes.

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THANK YOU Linda, Joe and Jeff for running yesterday’s Free Lunch Saturday event.

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THANK YOU Mike for preparing the breakfast this morning!

CHURCH NEWS

- Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: NANCY MCHUGH (07/08). Happy anniversary! Happy birthday!

If you have any information for the „Church News Column”, please inform Fr. Adam by email or phone no later than Friday afternoon.

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PARISH BULLETIN

XI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FATHERS’ DAY

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + BARBARA STEPIEN (req. by Joseph).

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C: You adorn the year with Your bounty; Your paths drip with fruitful rain.

R: “Use your sickle and reap the harvest, for the time to reap has come, because the earth’s harvest is fully ripe.”

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.

In those days, the Israelites came to the desert of Sinai and pitched camp. While Israel was encamped here in front of the mountain, Moses went up the mountain to God. Then the LORD called to him and said, “Thus shall you say to the house of Jacob; tell the Israelites: You have seen for yourselves how I treated the Egyptians and how I bore you up on eagle wings and brought you here to myself.

EX 19:2-6A

Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

„We are his people: the sheep of his flock.”

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READING 2

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters: Christ, while we were still helpless, yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his blood, will we be saved through him

from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1 COR 10:16-17

GOSPEL

MT 9:36—10:8

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory be to You, Lord.

At the sight of the crowds, Jesus’ heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.”

Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon from Cana, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him.

Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, “Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today’s Gospel, Jesus sends out His twelve disciples on their very first missionary expedition. They are to go out and do His work and then come back and report their experiences. The reason Jesus sends them out is that He looks out with compassion and sees so many people who are hurting, in need, hungering not only for food but for the truth. Jesus, even at this early point in His public ministry, knows He only has a limited time on earth in His human life and will not be able to minister to all. Jesus gives assignments to His followers. They are to travel this time just to the lost sheep of Israel – the Jews who have forgotten what it means to be sheep of the GOD’s flock. The twelve are sent (“apostled”) to carry on the work of Jesus. Jesus reminds them they are not to receive any financial gains from this job, because they have already received so much from Him. They have received in advance the gifts that Jesus has given them, so they should not expect anything from those whom they serve.