

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 11/10 (XXXII Ordinary Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. [Catechism class](#) for children. Coffee hour (fellowship hour) and the [Food Sale](#) in the church hall follows the Mass.
- 11/15 (Friday) [Parish Committee meeting](#) in the Church hall at 4pm.
- 11/17 (XXXIII Ordinary Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. [Catechism class](#) for children. Coffee hour (fellowship hour) and the [Food Sale](#) in the church hall follows the Mass. Mass Intention: For + STEFAN PIETRZYK.

- FREE FOOD PANTRY in the Church Hall.

CHURCH NEWS

- We have begun the renovation of the **stained glass windows**. The left side is done—we hope to have few more warm days to finish up with the right side. Thank you, Mike!
- Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: TIMOTHY WROBEL (11/13), REV. ADAM PIEKARZEWSKI (11/13), EDWARD & HARRIET ZAWISTOWSKI (11/15). 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

XXXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION - 5pm

For + LORRAINE KRUSIENSKI.

INTROIT

C: Dispose of your treasure as the Most High commands, for that will profit you more than the gold. Store up almsgiving in your treasure house, and it will save you from every evil.

R: It is better to give alms than to store up gold; for almsgiving saves one from death and expiates every sin.

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 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

READING 1

A reading from the First Book of Kings.

In those days, Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city, a widow was gathering sticks there; he called out to her, "Please bring me a small cupful of water to drink." She left to get it, and he called out after her, "Please bring along a bit of bread."
She answered, "As the LORD, your God, lives, I have nothing baked; there is only a handful of flour in my jar and a little oil in my jug. Just now I was collecting a couple of sticks, to go in and prepare something for myself and my son; when we have eaten it, we shall die."

1 KGS 17:10-16

Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid. Go and do as you propose. But first make me a little cake and bring it to me. Then you can prepare something for yourself and your son. For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" She left and did as Elijah had said. She was able to eat for a year, and he and her son as well; the jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, as the LORD had foretold through Elijah.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

"Praise the Lord, my soul!"

PS 146

READING 2

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

Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf.
Not that he might offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters each year into the sanctuary with blood that is not his own; if that were so, he would have had to suffer repeatedly from the foundation of the world. But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice.

Just as it is appointed that human beings die once, and after this the judgment, so also Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HEB 9:24-28

GOSPEL

MK 12:41-44

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus turns the attention to a widow who comes into the Temple and faithfully offers a couple copper coins. Jesus comments that she has given more than anyone because she, like the widow in the First Reading, was willing to give all she had, trusting in the protection and providence of GOD.

Today's readings are challenging for me. I ask myself, "do I trust as much as the two widows in the readings today?" Yes, I believe in GOD's providence, yet I also seem to have a need to hold onto things – just in case. I also ask myself, "Do I give enough to the ministry of the church?"

I think a key ingredient in the process is the trust we place in the Lord Jesus and His Abba-Father. The two widows (one a supposed non-believer and the other a believer) were willing to trust that GOD would provide for them. Trusting in GOD's providence means moving forward, not spending time worrying about what comes next. Trust does not lessen our need to think and act fully, but it lessens our concerns about what lies ahead. If we trust GOD, we can act confidently, yet not self-righteously like the religious leaders mentioned in the first part of the Gospel. The confidence is placed in GOD's love and care for us, not in our own importance. Placing our trust in GOD makes us shift our attention away from ourselves to focusing on others and our call to bring GOD's GOoD News in action and words to others.