

Bulletin

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August 09, 2009. Nineteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

The Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Pastor.

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Looking back to our past, we remember people we have met. Some of them hold a prominent place in our memory. They are people who have meant something to us: our parents, a parish priest, a school teacher, an aunt or uncle, a close friend, or someone who helped us make a difficult decision, one perhaps that determined the course in life we have chosen. The latter may have been a friend who stood by us in dark moments of life or a teacher who with patience and understanding convinced us to finish our education. We are grateful to those people, and we realize that we would be different persons if we would not have met them.

Suppose you would not have met Christ? What would be your outlook on life? It is difficult to visualize this since we are part of a culture that is so deeply rooted in the Judeo-Christian tradition. Even without knowing it, many live by Christian values. But without Christ in our lives we would be entirely different. Again using the symbolism of bread, the Bible readings bring out what Christ means to us. "Taste and see how good the Lord is; happy the man who takes refuge in him."

Questions for reflection

The angel touched him and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!"

- What aspects of your personal stewardship could use a tougher angel on duty?

So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love.

Review the day so far.

- What would you have done differently in the spirit of love?

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."

- How does life in Christ enhance, life in the here and now?

FAITH RESPONSE:

Resist faith fatigue. Get proper rest for both the body and the spirit. Make time for retreat, reflection, recollection, and prayer. Allow for some questions that won't be answered now.

HOLY MASSES

Sunday, August 09, 2009. Nineteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for Adeline Zavatsky req. by Eleanor Ferranti.

11:00am Polska Msza Sw. za dusze sp. Witolda Kuleszczyk w 10 ta rocznice smierci zam. corka wraz z dziecmi.

Sunday, August 16, 2009. Twentieth Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for parishioners.

11:00am Polska Msza sw. za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: **Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

One Solitary Life

Here is a man who was born of Jewish parents, the child of a peasant woman. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never set foot inside a big city. He never traveled 200 miles from the place where he was born.

He never did one thing that usually accompanies greatness. He had no credentials but himself.

While still a young man he saw the tide of popular opinion turn against him. His friends ran away. One of them denied he knew him. He was turned over to his enemies and went through a mockery of a trial; then he was nailed to a cross between two thieves. His executioners gambled for the only piece of property he had on earth – his coat. When he was dead he was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Twenty wide centuries have come and gone and he is still the centerpiece of the human race and the leader of the column of progress. I am far within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that were ever built have not affected the life of man upon earth as powerfully as has that One Solitary Life.

Anonymous

A special thank you is sent to Linda Zulkowski for having the carpeting in the church cleaned. She rented a commercial dirt extracting machine for this project. A special thank you to her assistants -Paul Desbiens, Edwin Zulkowski and Edmund J Kotula.

EMERGENCY FUND DRIVE

A special Fund drive has been directed by the Parish Committee to provide replacement of the gas fired furnace in the rectory. The furnace has a leak in the internal section of the furnace and MUST be replaced. It cannot be repaired. Donations for this fund are needed now because the Parish Committee went on record to have the furnace replaced before the end of the month. The times are tough for everyone but we have no choice to delay this project. Estimates are that we will need at least \$4,000. to complete this project. WE APPEAL TO YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Jean Manowiecki, Edmund Satulla, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Jennie Corrigan, Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.
Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.
Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.

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