

Bulletin – Parish News

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August 15, 2010. **20th/Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

The Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Pastor.

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Every one of us feels a sense of satisfaction after having done a good job whether it be a mother who has given birth to a healthy baby, a man who has pleased his wife with the gift she had secretly desired for a long time, or teenager who has mowed the lawn and feels his father's hand on his shoulder: "Son, you have done a good job". We all have a job to do in life. We must make it meaningful for ourselves and those around us. In order to do so, we need images to go by, and we have a beautiful image in Mary - simply because she did nothing spectacular and nevertheless had a very meaningful life. Mary experienced the darkness of faith, as all of us have. She endured the anxiety of a mother who does not understand a Son who has great ideals and takes frightening risks. She was a woman of sorrow following her Son, harassed and humiliated on his way to Calvary. We learn that suffering is part of life. But Mary is also an image for our future. In a very eminent way she already shares in her Son's triumph over death, anxiety, darkness, and pain. As a beautiful human being, she is with God and as such constitutes an image for us who hope that when our time comes God will say: "Well done! ... Come, share your master's joy!"

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen... Today we consider a Jewish girl, Mary, as an ark of God's grace.

- How might you also carry God's grace into the world by your choices?

The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

- How close do you want to be to God?
- What can you do to welcome that nearness?

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; spirit rejoices in God my Savior."

Imagine this is Karaoke Sunday.

- Which songs of grace would you gladly get up and sing?

Faith Response

Honor Mary on her special feast by taking a stand against the dragons of this world. Support programs that assist mothers and children. Speak up for the weak and powerless. Visit the elderly and homebound.

HOLY MASSES

August 15, 2010. Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time.

The Dormition/Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

9:00am Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za dusze śp. Teresy Ivers zam. mama Władysława Szewczyk oraz synowie Timothy i James Ivers (trzecia rocznica śmierci).

August 22, 2010. Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9:00am Holy Mass for Jennie Corrigan req. by Elzbieta Kolakowski.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

Events and activities

*Responsorial Psalm for today is: **The Queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.***

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: **Bozena Zagrodny Brol, Marian Sowa**, Barbara Nowicki, Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Jean Manowiecki, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Catherin & Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

Let us pray: We praise you, Lord, for the wonderful world you created for us. We thank you for the talents and blessings you bestowed on each of us in all their variety. We ask for your wisdom to use the good things we have been given for your glory and for the good of all our sisters and brothers. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **AMEN!**

True and false peace

A swamp may look nice on the surface, but its depths are full of rotten things. Peace that is based on injustice is like that. It is a false peace and Jesus came to disrupt it. But then there is true peace - a peace in which all of God's children have their basic rights respected, and are able to live in freedom and dignity. This is the peace Jesus came to bring. But peace like this does not happen; it has to be made. Sometimes the peacemakers will be branded troublemakers. But Jesus had another name for them: he called them ~ children of God.

Happy Birthday wishes were extended to all parishioners who are celebrating birthdays in August. May God bless you and grant you all a very happy birthday!

“Two sets of footprints: God walked with you. One set of footprints: God carried you.”

“The church is a hospital for sinners, not a rest home for saints.”

“ Home improvement: take your family to church”

“If at first you do not succeed, read the instructions (the Bible!!!)”

“Make God your first priority, not your last resort.”

“It is good to be a Christian and know it, but it is better to be a Christian and show it”

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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