

Bulletin

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

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September 13, 2009. Twenty Fourth Sunday in ordinary time.

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Our affluent society does all it can to do away with the reality of suffering. In the eyes of those who are blind to the transcendent, suffering and pain are incompatible with happiness. Funeral homes make it their profession to blur suffering. medical science alleviates pain, the drug commercials on television advertise their painkillers and sleeping pills, and dope peddlers make it possible to escape a harsh reality. Not all of this is bad. It is service to alleviate pain, to arrange a worthy funeral, and to pray to God for help when we suffer.

However, we should regard as un-Christian an attitude which desires at any cost or with dubious means to do away with both mental and physical suffering that is unavoidable! Since our lives are patterned after the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, we should in faith be willing to die with him (die to our egoistic selves, which is a painful process, and accept unavoidable suffering) in order to live with him forever. Today's readings deal with the theme of taking up our cross and following in our Lord's footsteps.

Questions for reflection

See, the Lord God is my help; who will prove me wrong?

- Which names of God are most alive for you at this time in your life, and how do they shape your relationship with God?

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works?

- When have you seen a good example of an "anonymous Christian" at work?

Along the way, Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"

- What are the names or images of Jesus that are most valuable to you at this time in your life?

FAITH RESPONSE:

Meditate on the servant passages in Isaiah chapters 42, 49, 50, and 52-53. Consider how images of human suffering on the news, in your community, or in your family remain an invitation for your response.

HOLY MASSES

Sunday, September 13, 2009. 24th Sunday in ordinary time.

Solemnity – Brotherly Love. Collection – The Manor at Waymart.

9:00am **Holy Mass for + William Corrigan req. by Linda Bielski and for the victims of September 11, 2001.**

11:00am Polska Msza Sw. za parafian.

Sunday, September 20, 2009. 25th 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: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

FURNACE REPLACEMENT DRIVE -- RECTORY

The Parish Committee appeals to you for your assistance in collecting funds for replacement of a steam boiler furnace in the rectory. The boiler cannot be repaired and needs replacement. As of Sunday September 06, we have collected a total of

\$3,010.00- Cash \$3,010, or 75% Pledges \$0. A remarkable feat in just four weeks. You can still participate by making a pledge or making a donation. We are now contracting with a plumbing firm to install the steam boiler. We appreciate your Christian Charity, and stewardship.

CHICKEN BBQ

SATURDAY, October 10, 2009. FROM 4:00 PM to 6:00PM

TAKEOUT or EAT IN (reservations only deadline date on or before Tuesday October 6,2009. Call the Rectory 973 -779 4329 or Edmund Kotula for reservations. Parish Hall Donation \$8.00. Tickets are available now. Sell tickets to your friends and neighbors. Treat a shut in with a chicken dinner.

On Sunday September 27, 2009 Annual Convention of the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be held at Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Passaic, NJ at 3:00pm.

PARISH YOUTH. If you are interested in attending the CONVO 2010 next July and want your registration to be all or partially paid consider volunteering to help at various parish and organization functions. Activities include help in the kitchen, help at gift auctions, serving at mass, assisting our pastor in Sunday school activities, and, outdoor activities raking leaves, cleaning debris etc. Report your participation to Fr. Gregory or Richard Maciag, President of the YMS of R for details of how you can qualify for some financial help to attend CONVO 2010.

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.

Monday, September 14, 2009. Parish Committee Meeting.

Saturday, September 19, 2009. CONVO 2010 meeting, Scranton, PA

September 21 – 23 Mission and Evangelism Commission meeting Washington, PA

September 26, 2009. Diocesan Council meeting, Scranton, PA

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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