

# Bulletin

## Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

Polish National Catholic Church

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September 20, 2009. Twenty Fifth Sunday in ordinary time.

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Wherever people establish a group, the necessity of management arises. No enterprise can do without it and the executives of any group are human beings, hence subject to human failings, such as jealousy and strife. Furthermore, they will “manage” according to a pattern which they are used to in their own time and culture. The Christian movement came into being in the Roman empire, hence institutionalized itself according to the pattern of which it was a part - Roman law and order. In the feudalistic Middle Ages with its pompous and splendiferous kings, Church management shaped itself automatically after that system. And the Church in the United States is today inclined to manage dioceses and parishes as General Motors manages its enterprise.

From the very beginning, the Founder of the Church, the Lord Jesus, had to remind his human coworkers that his movement to establish the reign of God on earth should not be managed by human standards alone. Today’s Gospel tells us that the twelve apostles had been arguing about who was the most important! Jesus’ words to them on this occasion give us an idea of how he envisioned the management of the Church - from the parish council level to the diocesan and as far as the Prime Bishop level.

### **Questions for reflection**

Let us condemn the just one to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take of him.

- When has a prayer of yours been answered on a scale you had not imagined?

Where do the wars and conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members?

- How have you made decisions that promote peace, or engage conflict, so far today?

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, Jesus began to ask them, “What were you arguing about on the way?”

- How does your parish bring people “in-house”, so that they can be taught?

## **FAITH RESPONSE:**

Practice the spiritual art of deferring. Let someone ahead of you in traffic, at the supermarket, in the communion line. Give up your seat. Let someone else speak. Surrender your plans in favor of another's.

## **HOLY MASSES**

Sunday, September 20, 2009. 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for parishioners.

11:00am Polska Msza Sw. za parafian.

Sunday, September 27, 2009. 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time. 9:00am Holy Mass for God's blessings upon Raymond Scott Volosin Jr req. by parents and Godparents.

11:00am Polska Msza Sw. za parafian.

## **EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

Responsorial Psalm for today is: **The Lord upholds my life.**

S.O.C.L. classes started September 13, 2009. Please send your Children to prepare for First Holy Communion.

# **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.

## **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

\$3,150, or 79% Pledges \$0. A remarkable feat in just five 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.

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.

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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