

Bulletin – Parish News

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

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January 31, 2010. Fourth Sunday in ordinary time.

The Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Pastor.

Raymond Bielski, Parish Chairman Dawn Wassman, Music Minister

When politicians campaigning for office deliver a speech, they may run into various reactions. Some of their listeners agree, others disagree, even violently, while still others shrug their shoulders and do not really care. Why is it that this happens also to honest would-be public servants, who have a good platform and are seriously intending to serve their community? One reason must be our limited nature. Narrow-mindedness, prejudice, lack of general information, being part of a closed society and evil threatened by good may contribute to these various reactions. Christianity as a beautiful philosophy of life is preached all over the globe. Some accept it and find a meaningful life which leads to satisfaction and happiness. Others reject it, possibly because they see it as a threat to their own set of values. Still others really do not care, and among these are people seeking a short-term meaning in life. Not all who fail to accept the message of Christ are bad people. Accepting Christ and his outlook on life requires faith, and faith is a free gift of God. It is risky to accuse nonbelievers of guilt and ill-will. We do much better to leave judgment up to God.

Questions for reflection

Before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.

- When has it been necessary for you to exercise the soft heart, and when the strong one?

If I have the gift of prophecy and comprehend all mysteries, but have not love, I am nothing.

- Who best demonstrates the proper balance of truth speaking and love?

“But in fact,” Jesus went on, “no prophet gains acceptance in his native place.”

- Are there things you are willing to say even at the risk of unpopularity and rejection?

FAITH RESPONSE:

Read a book about something you know nothing about: a saint's life, the history of the church, the dialogue between Catholics and Jews, the church's teaching on capital punishment. Be open to learning something new every day.

HOLY MASSES

Sunday, January 31, 2010. Fourth Sunday in ordinary time.

10:00am Holy Mass for Eleanor Palazzo and William Hudak req. by Kaiser family.

11:00am Msza Święta za duszę Śp. Zygryde Zielinska zam. córka Mariola Zielinska i syn Wiesław Zielinski.

Sunday, February 07, 2010. Fifth Sunday in ordinary time.

9:00am Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00am Msza Święta za duszę Śp. Zygryde Zielinska zam. córka Mariola Zielinska i syn Wiesław Zielinski.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Responsorial Psalm for today is: **I will sing of your salvation.**

January 31, 2010.

* Annual Parish Meeting after 10:00am Mass.

* Election of the Parish Committee and officers

Valentine's Dinner Night sponsored by Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish will be held on Saturday February 13, 2010 from 6:00pm to 11:00pm. Good food, music, and lot of more, tickets \$30 adults, \$10 children.

January 06, 2010.

Epiphany Pastoral Visitations begin. Blessing of the homes will take place Tuesday through Saturday (weather permitting). No blessing will take place on night when meetings or activities are being held. Visitations must end prior to Ash Wednesday (February 17, 2010) as the Holy Season of Lent begins, and Church Law does not permit Epiphany Visitations beyond that time. Please be informed that the priest will only bless the homes of those parishioners who invited him to do so.

Parish Sunday offering envelopes for 2010 are on the desk in the church hall. If you have not picked yours up, please do so.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Blanche Forrester, 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.

Parish dues... Parish books will be closed for 2009. If you didn't pay them, please do it next Sunday. As Church Constitutional responsibility, our Parish Committee is obliged to send notices to any of our parishioners found to be one year or more behind in their parish dues, asking them if they wish to retain their membership in the Church. This becomes necessary, in

order to keep our parish records up-to-date, as well as the census of the entire Church. It is our hope to keep everyone in our parish family. Your understanding and cooperation will be most appreciated.

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.

February Bulletin sponsorship are available.

“ Religion is a package deal - you can't pick and choose the parts you like.”
“ People won't care how much you know until they know how much you care.”