

# Bulletin – Parish News

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February 13, 2011. **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

The Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Pastor.

Raymond Bielski, Parish Chairman    Dawn Wassman, Music Minister

Human beings are free but they encounter laws as well. It seems to be ever more difficult for modern persons to accept rules and regulations, which often are considered as handicaps for their full self-realization. Freedom is of paramount importance in the “land of the free and the home of the brave.” Paul states: “it was for liberty that Christ freed us”. Comparing various sayings of Scripture may help us understand “freedom” better. Paul says also: “God sent his Son to deliver us from the law, so that we may receive our status as adopted sons”. This gives us a clue. Paul sees freedom not just as “free from” but more as “free for”, free to love God as his adopted children.

Love of God and neighbor is the great law from which there is never an exception. Other laws should be tested on that great law of love, of which they are supposed to be applications. There can be bad laws, hence conscientious objectors! We should respect others and always follow our own conscience.

Law tells us how reasonable people have applied the law of love to situations that may be very similar to ours. Do not discard such wisdom too easily. Laws may be beacons in our often-confused human condition.

## **QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION**

God has set before you fire and water; to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.

- When have you felt trapped or unfree, and by what means did you seek liberation?

We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age.

- Which issues or events have caused you to re-examine and deepen your understanding of your faith?

“I have come not to abolish the law or the prophets but to fulfill them.”

- Which five stories or teaching of Jesus comprise your inner gospel?

## **HOLY MASSES**

Sunday, February 13, 2011. Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9:00am Holy Mass for Stasia Korniloff req. by Irena and Stanley Adamczyk, +Baby Massimo Boccia req. by Kaiser family; Anna and Craig Chajkowski req. by Heather Chajkowski and Rose Ciulac.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za duszę śp. Stefania Maciąg zam. Jan Surowiec.

Sunday, February 20, 2011. Septuagesima Sunday/Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9:00am Deacon Service: Intention for Stefania Maciąg req. by Mr. and Mrs. W. Kondratowicz.

11:00am Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

## **Events and activities**

Responsorial Psalm for today is: *Happy are they who follow the law of the lord.*

Tuesday, February 15, 2011 parish committee meeting at 7:00pm.

Fr. Gregory will be away from the parish from Feb. 19th to Mar. 03rd.

On Sunday, Feb. 20th Deacon James Konicki will conduct a Deacon Service at 9:00AM and 11:00am Holy Masses will be celebrated.

On Sunday Feb. 27th Deacon David Gaydos will conduct a Deacon Service at 9AM. Polish Language Holy Mass will be celebrated at 11:00AM by Rev. Joseph Cyman.

Rev. Joseph Cyman will conduct pastoral care during my absence. You can contact him at 973-256-4888.

Saturday, March 05, 2011 **Spaghetti Dinner** sponsored by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament Society. Donations: Adult \$8, children \$4. For tickets contact Barbara Puzak at 201-939-3533 or Mariola Szymczewska.

Y.M.S. of R. provided for cleaning the floor in the church hall. You could **help by continuing buying the soup** available every Sunday.

**Easter candy Sale** sponsored by the Women`s Guild. Booklets available in the church hall and the vestibule. Orders must be received by April 10, 2011. Contact Linda Bielski.

Tuesday, April 26, 2011: **Tricky Tray** will be held at the Landmark II in East Rutherford, NJ. See Dawn Wassman or Leslie Pietrowitz for more information. More details will be available soon.

## **Parish DUES**

Parish dues for 2011 are \$90 for singles and \$180 for families.

January 06, 2011.

Epiphany Pastoral Visitations began. **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 (March 09, 2011) 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.

Let us pray... God of all hopefulness, your Son came to be light for the world and commissioned us to be the same. We hold up our feeble flames against the darkness of our times and trust in you to bless and increase their effect. Give us the courage to remain firm in our testimony to the light no matter how irresistible or inevitable the dark may seem. AMEN!

*Please pray* for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: 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.

*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.

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In memory of Stasia Korniloff  
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