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**TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024**

**THE 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**

9:00 am –Holy Mass of the Eucharist  
celebrated in the Traditional Rite.

3:30 pm – Eastern Diocesan Gathering at the  
Catedral of the Pines in Rindge, NH.

**OPENING HYMN**

**“To Thee, We Come, O Lord, Our God”**

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God,

Before Thine altar, Father

Thou knowest best our yearning hearts.

This supplication answer.

Lift up from want Thy people, Lord,

Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

Under Thy cross we stand prepared,

To serve Thee with devotion,

Be it with sweat of blood or tears,

Or humble resignation.

For we Thy people are, O Lord,

Save us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

(Isaiah 1:4; 2 Chronicles 15:2b)

C. Ah! sinful nation, people laden with wickedness,  
evil race, corrupt children! They have forsaken  
the Lord, spurned the Holy One of Israel,  
apostatized.

R, The Lord is with you when you are with Him, and  
if you seek Him, He will be present to you; but if  
you abandon Him, He will abandon you.

C. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be, world without end. Amen.

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the Highest,  
And peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

Almighty God, and Father

We worship You; we give You thanks

We praise you for Your glory

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father

Lord God, Lamb of God

You take away the sins of the world

Have mercy on us

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

Receive our prayer

For you alone are the Holy One

You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ

With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the

Father. Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER**

C. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

C. Let us pray: Almighty God, You bless those  
who seek You and punish those who forsake  
You. Grant us the grace never to reject Your  
Son, for in Him alone do we find our salvation.  
We ask this through the same Jesus Christ,  
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



**LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT  
BOOK OF EZEKIEL THE PROPHET**

(Ezekiel 2:2-5)

As the LORD spoke to me, the spirit entered into  
me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one  
who was speaking say to me: “Son of man, I am  
sending you to the Israelites, rebels who have

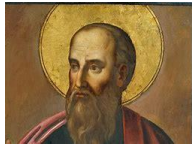
rebelled against Me; they and their ancestors have revolted against Me to this very day. Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you. But you shall say to them: Thus says the LORD GOD! And whether they heed or resist—for they are a rebellious house— they shall know that a prophet has been among them.”

C. This is the Word of the Lord.  
R. Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL**

(Jeremiah 5:23; 2 Kings 17:14)

V. But this people’s heart is stubborn and rebellious; they turn and go away.  
R. They did not listen, but were stiff-necked as their fathers, who had not believed in the Lord, their God.



**A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS  
(2 Cor 12:7-10)**

Brothers and sisters: That I, Paul, might not become too elated, because of the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. Therefore, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

C. This is the Word of the Lord.  
R. Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA VERSE**

(1Samuel 10:19a)

C. Alleluia, alleluia.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
V. But today, you have rejected your God, Who delivers you from all your evils and calamities.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.



**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK  
(Mark 6:1-6)**

C. The Lord be with you.  
R. And also with you.  
C. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.  
R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

Jesus departed from there and came to His native place, accompanied by His disciples. When the sabbath came, He began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard Him were astonished. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given Him? What mighty deeds are wrought by His hands! Is He not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?” And they took offense at Him. Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.” So, He was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying His hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

C. This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



**PROFESSION OF FAITH  
THE NICENE CREED**

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth  
Of all that is seen and unseen.  
I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
The only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father.  
God from God, Light from Light, True God  
from true God, begotten not made  
Of one being with the Father.  
Through Him all things were made

For us and for our salvation.  
 He came down from heaven:  
 By the power of the Holy Spirit  
 He was born of the Virgin Mary  
**AND BECAME MAN.**  
 For our sake, He was crucified  
 under Pontius Pilate  
 He suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day He rose again  
 In fulfillment of the Scriptures.  
 He ascended into heaven and  
 Is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory  
 To judge the living and the dead  
 And His kingdom will have no end.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 The Lord and Giver of Life  
 Who proceeds from the Father,  
 With the Father and the Son  
 He is worshipped and glorified.  
 He has spoken through the prophets.  
 I believe in One, Holy, Catholic  
 and Apostolic Church  
 I acknowledge one baptism  
 for the forgiveness of sins.  
 I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 And the + life of the world to come. Amen.



**OFFERTORY VERSE**  
 ((Hebrews 10:29))

V. Do you not think that a much worse punishment is due the one who has contempt for the Son of God, considers unclean the covenant-blood by which He was consecrated, and insults the Spirit of Grace?

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

C. Lord our God, be pleased with the gifts we bring to Your altar, and make them the sacrament of our salvation. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

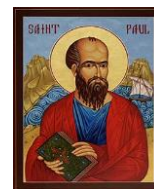
**Let us Pray:** Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

**COMMUNION VERSE**  
 (Luke 10:16b)

V. And whoever rejects Me rejects the One Who sent Me.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- C. Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, help us who have shared Your Body and Blood, to know You through the work You do in our midst. For You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
- R. Amen.



**14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**  
**GOD'S SUFFICIENT GRACE**

**“But the Lord said to me: My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfected in weakness.” - 2 Corinthians 12:9**

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus:

In a 1987, an article found in the Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery and Psychiatry, D. Landsborough discusses the possibility that Saint Paul suffered from epilepsy, a possible explanation to his “thorn in the flesh.”

Epilepsy is a “neurological disorder that causes seizures. Paul makes a possible reference to this illness in Galatians 4:13-14, where he writes: “Though it was because of an illness, that I preached the gospel to you on my former visit, and although my flesh was a trial to you, you did not scoff at me nor spurn me, but rather, you welcomed me like an angel of God.”

While no one can explain exactly what Paul’s illness was or what his “thorn in the flesh” was, the connection between Paul and epilepsy was so strongly perceived, that in old Ireland, for example, epilepsy was sometimes known as ‘Saint Paul’s disease.’

In 2 Corinthians 12:8, Paul writes: “Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,” I think the next scriptural verse, provides spiritual hope and comfort to all who suffer illnesses and sicknesses, trials, and tribulations for he writes: “but the Lord said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfected in weakness.”

“My grace is sufficient for you.” Grace is such an important gift that comes and given to us by God and is a divine gift that gives one strength in whatever adversity one must endure. It is in this faith and grace, that one is strengthened. in whatever troubles may come one’s way.

Talking about the strength and the grace of God that comes to those who reach out to Him in times of need, though being mentally, emotionally, and spiritually weak.

I think about all that Paul had to endure during his ministry to the Lord. In 2 Corinthians 11:24-28, he describes some of his hardships: “Five times I have received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I received a stoning. Three times I was shipwrecked; for a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from bandits, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers and sisters; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, hungry and thirsty, often without food, cold and naked. And, besides other things, I am under daily pressure because of my

anxiety for all the churches.” And then he asks: “Who is weak, am I not weak? Who is made to stumble, but am I indignant?”

With all of his trials, and possibly suffering from seizures due to epilepsy, Paul firmly declares in 2 Corinthians 12:10: “So, I will boast all the more, gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.”

Though Paul’s life ended in imprisonment and execution by beheading in 67 AD, he states to the congregation in Corinth: “I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.”

My dear brothers and sisters: In the closing of Paul’s second letter to Timothy, a young priest, he writes in 4:6-8: “As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day.”

Paul devotion to the Lord is summed up in His love for the Lord, in all that happened to him. He writes in Romans 8:35-39: “Who then will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

May we, like Paul, find strength in God when we are weak, especially when we are at our lowest point. For the grace of God is sufficient for each one of us and in His divine and everlasting presence, we are truly perfected in His love and in the power of Jesus Christ. Amen.

“He has saved us and called us to a holy life – not because of anything we have done, but because of His own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time.”

- 2 Timothy 1:9



**FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE  
POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**TOPIC: GRACE**

**Q 184: What is grace?**

**A:** Grace is God’s help. It is a divine gift given us through the merits of Jesus Christ for our salvation.

**Q: 185: How many kinds of grace are there?**

**A:** There are two kinds of grace: sanctifying grace and actual grace.

**Q 186: What is sanctifying grace?**

**A:** Sanctifying grace is that grace which makes the soul holy and pleasing to God and enables us to share in the life of God Himself.

**Q 187: When did you first receive sanctifying grace.**

**A:** I first received sanctifying grace through the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Q 188: What is actual grace?**

**A:** Actual grace is the help of God by which we are enlightened and strengthened to do good.

**Q: 189) How may we receive grace?**

**A:** We may receive grace by prayer, worthily receiving the Sacraments and living a virtuous life.

**Q: 190: Can we resist this help of God?**

**A:** Yes. Our will is free and can choose to ignore God’s help.

**Q: What does God require of us in return for this gift?**

**A:** God requires that we use this gift, live by its help and strive for perfection.

“And God is able to provide you with every grace in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.”  
- 2 Corinthians 9:8



**OUR PARISH CALENDAR**

**DAILY HOLY MASS**

8:45 am Liturgy of the Hours

9:00 am Holy Mass of the Eucharist

**THIS WEEK’S MASS SCHEDULE**

(July 8<sup>th</sup> - July 13<sup>th</sup>)

- Mon. 7/8 **Mass of Thanksgiving**  
Elizabeth of Portugal, Queen & Widow Procopius, Martyr  
Kilian, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs
- Tue. 7/9 **Mass of Thanksgiving**  
Ephrem the Syrian, Doctor, Confessor  
Martyrs of Gorkum, Holland, Martyrs  
Justus of Poland, Hermit
- Wed. 7/10 **Mass to the Holy Saints of God**  
John of Dukla, Priest  
Rufina & Segunda, Virgins & Martyrs  
Antony & Theodosius Pechersky, Ab
- Thurs. 7/11 **Private Prayer and Devotions**  
James of Nisbis, Bishop & Confessor  
Pius 1, Bishop & Martyr  
Olga of Kiev, Widow & Princess
- Fri. 7/12 **Mass to the Holy Angels of God**  
Henry the Emperor, King  
Veronica, Penitent  
John Gualbert, Abbot
- Sat. 7/13 **Mass to the Most Holy Name of Jesus**  
Silas, Confessor, NT  
Eugenius of Carthage, Bishop & Conf.  
Mildred of Thanet, Abbess



**NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 14, 2024**  
**15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**

9:00 am – Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional Rite



## **SILAS – A DISCIPLE UNTO THE LORD**

**Silas** was a prominent church member in Jerusalem, also called Silvanus. He and Judas, surnamed Barsabas, were chosen by the church there to accompany Paul and Barnabas on their return to Antioch from the council of the apostles and elders (Acts 15:22) as bearers of the decree adopted by the council. He assisted Paul there in his evangelistic labors and was also chosen by him to be his companion on his second missionary tour ( Acts 16:19-24).

In the city of Philippi, they were accused of inciting unrest among the people, and for this, they were arrested, beaten with rods, and then thrown into prison. At midnight, when the saints were in prayer, there was suddenly a strong earthquake, their chains fell from them, and the prison doors opened. The prison guard, supposing that the prisoners had fled, wanted to kill himself but was stopped by the Apostle Paul. Then, he fell trembling at the feet of the saints and with faith accepted their preaching about Christ. He then led them out of the prison and took them to his own home, where he washed their wounds and was baptized together with all his household.



## **PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING**

In our prayers, may we remember all our brothers and sisters, who are sick or ill and pray for God's blessings of health and healing to rest upon them.

In your prayers, please remember Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak, our Administrative Senior, who is recovering from a liver transplant which took place this past Tuesday. I ask that those attending church this Sunday, to please sign a get well card for him which will be found in the vestibule of our church.

Also in our prayers, may we remember with love all those who are currently in health care facilities;

Pauline Puchalski  
George Sadowski  
Joe Kisloski

**Let us pray.** O Lord, God of mercies, in Your kindness stretch out Your hand and heal all our brothers and sisters who are in any way ailing. Make them worthy of health, deliver them from their present sicknesses and illness and grant them recovery in Jesus' holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer requests forms may be found in the vestibule of our Church.



**“Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.”**

**- Philippians 2:4**

## **OUR PARISH OUTREACH**

**“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for Me.”**

**- Matthew 25:40**

## **Our Food Ministry: “Feed the Hungry”**

The next date for giving out groceries will be Saturday, **July 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am till noon, while supplies last.**



## **HELPING TO CLOTHE THOSE IN NEED**

**“I was naked, and you clothed me.” – Mt 25:36**

As we continue to develop our Parish Outreach programs, it was decided that we would set up a collection bin, in the vestibule of our church, to help those in need, by collecting **new packages of underwear and socks for men, women and children.**



**SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2024**

**The Angel Garden Club of HNJ**

8:30 am – 10:00 am The Angel Garden Club of HNJ to meet and continue work projects around the Church proper (weather permitting). Refreshments to be provided.

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES  
TO REMEMBER**

**Sunday, August 18, 2024 - HNJ Chicken Barbeque** at the Hadley Young Men’s Club. Take out from 11:30 am – 12:00 pm. Sit down serving from 12:00 Noon – 1:00 pm. Music until 4:00 pm

**Saturday, October 19, 2024 – Fall Bazaar** at Holy Name of Jesus. In preparation for this event:

**Pierogi Making** – September 14 & 28, October 5<sup>th</sup>  
**Gołabki, Pies and Bazaar Prep** – October 14-18

**Sunday, November 17, 2024 - Thanksgiving Sit down meal** to be held at the South Deerfield Polish Club starting at 12:00 Noon.

**ED MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION  
CALL TO PRAYER EACH WEDNESDAY**

During the month of July 2024, the **Eastern Diocesan Mission and Evangelism Commission** of the PNCC, has called upon its members and others to offer the following two following prayers every **Wednesday** at noon:

**LOVING GOD**

Almighty Father, I believe in You; strengthen my faith. Centered in You, Lord, may all my hopes for this day be secured and may they fulfill Your will. I adore You, as my first beginning and I aspire after You as my last end. Teach me to love You more and more each day, so that I may love You with all my heart. Amen.

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father** who art in Heaven, hallowed by Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily

bread and forgive us of our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.



**THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024**

**DISCIPLESHIP 2024:**

**KNOW YOUR FAITH, GROW IN CHRIST**

The Eastern Diocese will focus on being Christians Today: Christian Identity, Sources of Strength, and Challenges. Please join us for the seventh in a series of virtual “Know and Grow” presentations on Thursday July 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM (EDT).

Rev. Dr. Henryk Wos will help us to explore the topic: **The Ten Commandments**.

“The Ten Commandments are divided into two parts: The first three refer to God and our relationship to Him, the other seven refer to our neighbor and our relationship to him.” (Catechism of the PNCC). Though given to the people of Israel in ancient times, the Commandments were important to Jesus, and they remain an important source of strength for us as Christians today.

To join via Zoom, please contact:

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**FRONTIER CABLE ACCESS TV (FCAT)**

**Times to view our Holy Masses**

**Wednesdays**

**Channel 12:** 10 am, 2 pm, 7 pm

**Channel 15:** 7 am, 5 pm

**Sundays**

**Channel 12:** 10 am, 2 pm, 6 pm 7pm

**Channel 15:** 9am, 3pm, 7pm

**Please note:** Rebroadcasts and other information pertaining to our Parish, Holy Name of Jesus PNCC can be found on YouTube, on our Facebook page, **Holy Name of Jesus, South Deerfield** or on our new website: **holynamesouthdeerfield.org**.