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TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024

THE 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am – Holy Mass to be celebrated  
outdoors in the Traditional Rite.

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**  
(Deuteronomy 8:3)

V. He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger,  
and then fed you with manna, a food unknown  
to you and your fathers.

R. In order to show you that not by bread alone  
does man live, but by every word that comes  
forth from the mouth of the Lord.

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.

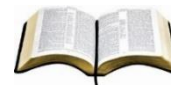
OPENING PRAYER

C. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

C. Let us pray: Heavenly Father when we bring to  
You our weaknesses and failures, You set before  
us a banquet, feeding us with the true manna.  
May we leave our folly and return to You, so  
that always and everywhere, we may give You  
thanks. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus  
Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

**FROM THE BOOK OF PROVERBS**  
(Proverbs 9:1-6)

Wisdom has built her house, she has set up her seven  
columns; She has prepared her meat, mixed her  
wine, yes, she has spread her table. She has sent out  
her maidservants; she calls from the heights out

over the city: “Let whoever is naive turn in here; to any who lack sense I say, Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed! Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding.”

C. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL**

(Nehemiah 9:20; Job 22:29)

V. Your good spirit You bestowed on them, to give them understanding; Your manna You did not withhold from their mouths, and You gave them water in their thirst.”

R. For He brings down the pride of the haughty, but the man of humble mien He saves.



**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS**  
(Ephesians 5:15-20)

Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons, but as wise, making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord. And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another [in] psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

V. This is the Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.



**ALLELUIA VERSE**  
(Revelation 2:17b)

V. Alleluia, alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

V. To the victor I shall give some of the hidden manna.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT JOHN**  
(John 6:51-58)

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And also with you.

V: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

R: Glory be to You, O Lord.

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us [his] flesh to eat?” Jesus said to them, “Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent Me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on Me will have life because of Me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.” These things He said while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

V. 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**  
(Song of Songs 2:4)

V. He brings me into the banquet hall and His emblem over me is love.

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

**Almighty God:** Accept the humble gifts we bring, as we remember Him, Who shared Himself to feed the world, let Your Holy Spirit act on our hearts, so that we too may hold nothing back. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

This prayer has been composed mainly for those who cannot attend, through distance, sickness, or for other restrictions. For those attending church services, our Lord teaches that the Sacrament of the Eucharist, be received by all in attendance.

**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**  
(John 6:27)

V. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on Him the Father, God, has set His seal.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

V. The Lord be with you.  
R. And also with you.  
V. Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, Bread from heaven, You have prepared Your table and filled our cups to overflowing. May we go forth sealed with the Spirit to share Your message with a hungry world. For You live and reign with the Father and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
R. Amen.

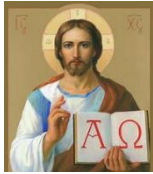


**THE PUZZLE OF ONES FAITH**

I remember, while I was growing up, I enjoyed putting together jigsaw puzzles, beginning with simple children's jigsaw puzzles to eventually constructing and finishing my first 1000-piece puzzle.

The challenge for me, was first, to finish the puzzle which I started, and then afterward, to view the completed puzzle, and how it finally looked, outside the box.

My first step, I found, as many do, is to establish the border of the puzzle and then concentrate on filling in the middle pieces of the puzzle by matching pieces, shapes, as well as colors and designs.



**The Liturgy of the Word of God**, which is proclaimed daily and especially on Sundays, and is in accordance with the daily readings, as found in the Common Revised Lectionary, has become the standard for many Christian denominations.

It is through these readings, which are taken from the Old Testament, the Apocrypha and the New Testament, that many Christians continue to work on their own individual “puzzles of faith,” as they piece together the “foundation “ of their faith.

In the end, it can be said, that all hearers of the “Word of God” gain a better and clearer picture of the “Divine Plan” of God and of their own salvation based on the “Wisdom of God,” as first told by the Prophets of the Old Testament and finally revealed in the teachings of Jesus, who is a perfect transparency into the mind of God.

It is through the imparting of the Holy Spirit, which Jesus first promised and gave unto His first chosen, as He breathed upon them, following His Resurrection, as it recorded in the Gospel of John 20:21-22:

“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you.” And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

The fulness of the Holy Spirit was to take place ten days following the Ascension of Jesus for all those gathered in the “upper room” on the Feast of Pentecost.

The catechetical instruction of the PNCC, teaches that the Sacrament of Confirmation, is a completion of the Sacrament of Baptism, and through the laying of hands by a Bishop upon each individual to be confirmed, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are invoked which includes wisdom, knowledge, counsel and understanding,

So, what are the essential pieces of the “puzzle of one’s faith?” For Christians, these pieces are found in the Holy Bible.

From the roots of our Judeo - Christian heritage, the first reading is taken from the writings of the Old Testament or from the books of the Apocrypha, which helps to establish the “border” of one’s faith.

The second reading, comes from the writings of Paul and the other Apostles of Jesus, as found in the New Testament. All of them, from Paul, John, James, and Jude speaks of the morality and right living which could also be called as being “righteousness” before God. The third reading is taken from the books of the Four Evangelists, which tells of the story of the coming of Jesus and of His spiritual teachings of the “Kingdom of God,” along with His miracles and healings.

In conclusion, the finishing pieces are found in the sacrifice of Jesus, who was to die by crucifixion for the sins of man.

As one continues to match the pieces of their puzzle, they begin to see more clearly the bigger picture of their own redemption. They also begin to see more clearly, that even from the very beginning, God had and has a plan for their salvation through Jesus Christ, His only begotten, who was foretold by the Old Testament prophets, the spokesmen of God. From the writings of Isaiah, Jeremiah and others and leading up to the last of the OT prophets, Malachi; all spoke of the coming of a Messiah, a chosen One, an Anointed One, who would be known as the “Christ,”



## **SO, WHAT IS WISDOM?**

The word “wisdom” is mentioned in the Holy Bible between 227- 234 times, depending on the version of the Holy Bible that one uses.

**Wisdom**, is defined in the Merriam – Webster dictionary as:

- an ability to discern inner qualities and relationships or insight.
- accumulated philosophical or scientific learning or knowledge.
- the teachings of the ancient wise men.

Throughout the history of mankind, wisdom is found in various degrees of enlightenment in all religions, each attempting to seek a higher degree of understanding.

The following is but a few examples of the word “wisdom” as found in the Holy Bible.



### **WISDOM AS FOUND IN THE OLD TESTAMENT**

#### **Job 12:12**

Is not wisdom found among the aged? Does not long life bring understanding?

#### **Psalms 37:30**

The mouths of the righteous utter wisdom, and their tongues speak what is just.

#### **Proverbs 1:7**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

#### **Proverbs 2:6**

For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding.

#### **Proverbs 3:7**

Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil.

#### **Proverbs 3:13**

Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding,

#### **Proverbs 4:6**

Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you.

#### **Proverbs 4:7**

The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding.

#### **Proverbs 11:2**

When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.

#### **Proverbs 13:10**

Where there is strife, there is pride, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.

#### **Proverbs 14:1**

The wise woman builds her house, but with her own hands the foolish one tears hers down.

#### **Proverbs 16:16**

How much better to get wisdom than gold, to get insight rather than silver!

#### **Proverbs 17:28**

Even fools are thought wise if they keep silent, and discerning if they hold their tongues.

#### **Proverbs 19:8**

The one who gets wisdom loves life; the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper.

#### **Proverbs 19:20**

Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise.

#### **Ecclesiastes 2:26**

To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God.

#### **Isaiah 11:2**

And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

## **WISDOM AS FOUND IN THE NEW TESTAMENT**

### **Matthew 7:24**

“Everyone then who hears these words of Mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.”

### **1 Corinthians 1:25**

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

### **1 Corinthians 1:30**

It is because of Him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

### **Ephesians 5:15-16**

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

### **Colossians 2:2-3**

My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

### **Colossians 4:5-6**

Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

### **James 1:5**

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

### **James 3:13**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

### **James 3:17**

But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.



## **FROM THE GREAT “I AM’S OF JESUS “I AM THE LIVING BREAD”**

**Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.” – John 6:35**

### **JESUS, THE BREAD OF LIFE**

During these last four (4) weeks, the Common Lectionary has shared the Gospel of Jesus with its hearers a discourse on the importance of bread as found in the Gospel of John, chapter 6.

The following is a recap of the “Good News” of Jesus as revealed in the Gospel of John.

**SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2024**

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

**Gospel According to John**

**(John 6:1-15)**

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed Him, because they saw the signs He was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near. When Jesus raised His eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to Him, He said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him, because He Himself knew what He was going to do. Philip answered Him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of His disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to Him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So, the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. When they had had their fill, He said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So, they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been

more than they could eat. When the people saw the sign He had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024**  
**18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**  
**Gospel According to John**  
(John 6: 24-35)

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor His disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found Him across the sea they said to Him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for Me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on Him the Father, God, has set His seal." So, they said to Him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the One He sent." So, they said to Him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in You? What can You do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: ***He gave them bread from heaven to eat.***" So, Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So, they said to Him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me will never hunger, and whoever believes in Me will never thirst."

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024**  
**19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**  
**Gospel According to John**  
(John 6:41-51)

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven, " and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph?

Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets: *They shall all be taught by God.* Everyone who listens to My Father and learns from Him comes to Me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the One who is from God; He has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I Am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I Am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world."

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024**  
**20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**  
**Gospel According to John**  
(John 6:51-58)

Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise Him on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood remains in Me and I in him. Just as the Living Father sent Me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on Me will have life because of Me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.

**The Symbolism and Importance of Bread**

**"Man does shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."**  
- **Matthew 4:4**

**Bread** has been called the “staff of life,” In Judaism, bread has been associated in the worship of God, primarily through the tabernacle (then later its temple) in its services to symbolize the Eternal's presence of God as found in Exodus 25:30, as well as Leviticus 24:5 9. Bread was also used in the Bible to symbolize hospitality (Genesis 19:3), and most importantly the acceptance of wisdom (Proverbs 9:5).

We read in the Book of Exodus, of the deliverance of the Israelites by Moses coming out of Egypt. It was not soon afterward that the “children of Israel,” complained to Moses, for they were running out of food as well as water, and Moses, praying unto God, found the “Providence of God.” for his people, when God miraculously provided "bread from heaven" as we read in Exodus 16. The children of Israel, who wandered for the next forty years before entering Canan, the Promised Land, were provided “Manna”. This food would be symbolized for God's love and care for His people, in spite of their sins, and it was placed inside the Ark of the Covenant (Exodus 16:32 - 34) as a reminder of His “Divine Providence.” Jesus was to reveal the full meaning of Manna as he stated it in the Gospel of John, making a reference to Him.

“Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world."

Additionally, we find that bread symbolized Jesus the Messiah, and the eternal life he offers to those willing to follow him with their whole heart (John 6:32 - 35, 41, 50 - 51). The unleavened version of this staple was used during Christ's last Passover represented his willingness to offer his own body as a sacrifice for our sins and to make our healing possible (Matthew 26:26, 1Corinthians 11:23 - 30).

The apostle Paul wrote how bread symbolized the true spiritual unity of the church of God (1Corinthians 10:16 - 17): “The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”



## OUR PARISH CALENDAR

8:45 am Liturgy of the Hours

9:00 am Holy Mass of the Eucharist.

Please be advised that there will not be daily Mass from Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> as Fr. Koerber will be away from the parish. He will still be able to take emergency calls if needed.

- Mon. 8/19**     **Private prayer and devotion**  
 Ludmila, Martyr  
 Andrew the Tribune & Companions, M  
 Timothy, Agapius & Thecla, Martyrs
- Tue. 8/20**     **Private prayer and devotion**  
 Helen, Widow  
 Bernard, Abbot & Doctor  
 Oswin, Martyr
- Wed. 8/21**     **Private prayer and devotion**  
 Stephen 1, King  
 Sidonius Apollinarius, Bishop  
 Abraham of Smolensk, Abbot
- Thurs. 8/22**   **Mass for Health and Healing**  
 Timothy, Martyr  
 Sigfrid, Abbot  
 Andrew the Scot, Doctor & Confessor
- Fri. 8/23**     **Mass to the Most Holy Name of Jesus**  
 Philip Benizi, Confessor  
 Cladius, Asteris, Neon, Domnina &  
 Theolnilla, Martyrs  
 Eoghan, Bishop
- Sat. 8/24**     **Feast – Bartholomew, Apostle**  
 The Martyrs of Utica, Martyrs  
 Owen, Bishop



**NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024**

**21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY**

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Contemporary rite.





### **PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING**

In your prayers, please remember all our brothers and sisters, who seek the blessings of God, and pray for God's blessings of health and healing to rest upon each of them.

Each week, depending on the Liturgical Calendar of the Solemnities and Feast Days as found in the PNCC, a Holy Mass of Health and Healing is celebrated each week in our church.

**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.



### **OUR PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAMS.**

**"Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others." - Philippians 2:4**



### **Our Food Ministry: "To Feed the Hungry"**

**"I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat." - Mt. 25: 35.**

The next date for giving out groceries to those and others who are in need will be on **Saturday, September 21st from 10:00 am till noon, while supplies last.**

I wish to thank Cheryl Major and Mary Tudryn who helped this week to give out groceries to those in need. May God bless all our efforts.

We thank all who continue to give towards this, our most special ministry, through their donations of non-perishable food items and monetary donations. We invite others to consider donating, whenever possible, for non-perishable groceries or even monetary donations for those in need.

I want to acknowledge and especially thank Fr. Senior Rob Nemkovich, Jr. and our sister parishes in Fall River, MA and Central Falls, RI who recently donated several cases of non-perishable food towards our food ministry. Also, I wish to thank Dick and Shirley Floyd, who were instrumental in bringing these donations to our Parish proper.



### **HELPING TO "CLOTHE THE NAKED"**

**"I was naked, and you clothed me."**

**- Mt 25:36**

Early this year, our Parish decided to expand our Parish ministries, and to help those in need, by collecting **new packages of underwear and socks for men, women and children.**

Through the efforts of Mary T. and others, we were able to collect a sizeable amount of donations and have shared these donations with the Community Action Center in Greenfield, MA.

It also been mentioned that the Community Action Center in Greenfield, MA, has need for men's clothing as well as "survival packets" of toiletries. We are currently in the process of planning on making this happen.

Recently, I met via Zoom with a combined meeting of members of the Strategic Planning sub-committee of the PNCC and the Mission & Evangelism Commission of the Eastern Diocese.

We spoke of ongoing ministries within our various parishes in the Diocese and it was also decided that we would start to collect school supplies to benefit our local communities. A collection bin has been set up in the vestibule of our Parish to collect donations of school supplies.



### **SOCKS FOR VETERANS**

Through conversations that I have had with Mr. John Czyz, it was decided that our Parish would once again collect socks for our local veterans.

As many of you know, John has been and is involved with the local veterans in many projects.

Following our School Supply Drive, we will set up bins in our vestibule as well as in our Parish Hall to help collect socks for veterans and to set a time and date that these socks may be given out.



### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE**

At the last Zoom meeting of the Mission & Evangelism Commission of the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC, it was decided that all parishes of our diocese would be involved in collecting school supplies to aid all students in their respective communities. Items needed include pencils, pens, and markers; paper, glue sticks and crayons; notebooks, binders, folders as well as backpacks



### **The Angel Garden Club of the Holy Name of Jesus**

The next workday for projects will be Saturday, **August 24, 2024 from 8:30 am till 10:00 am.** An invitation to come and help is extended to all.

### **OTHER NEWS**

I recently spoke to Kyle Snow from Snow and Sons Landscaping who are responsible for the mowing of our Parish cemetery about the condition of our cemetery. I will be meeting with Kyle this week at our cemetery to discuss our mowing schedule. I truly apologize for any inconvenience that may have occurred these past few weeks.

### **NEW PAVEMENT**

Our parish has just completed a project of excavating and laying new pavement at the beginning of our access road to our parking lot. As you will notice, there is now a better slope that will cause any water to be redirected to the street instead of remaining stagnant on our access road.

### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

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

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

### **Sunday, November 17, 2024**

**Thanksgiving sit down meal** to be held at the South Deerfield Polish-American Citizen’s Club starting at 12:00 pm.



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

During the month of August 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:

### **AN ACT OF LOVING GOD & OTHERS**

**O God**, I love You above all things with my whole heart and soul. You are worthy of all love. I also love my neighbor as myself just as You commanded me to do, because of my love for You. In living this love, I will forgive those who have injured me and I will ask pardon all whom I have injured.

### **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 led us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.