

## **HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH**

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## TODAY, JULY 13, 2025 15th SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated 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**

(Psalm 79, 9-8)

- V. Help us, God our savior, for the glory of Your Name. Deliver us, pardon our sins for Your Name's sake.
- R. Do not hold past iniquities against us: may Your compassion come quickly, for we have been brought very low.

- V. 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 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. Merciful Father, You gave us Your Son Who died on the cross for our salvation. He is the model of love, patience and sacrifice. May we be encouraged by His example and so come to know and love You better. 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.

R. Amen.



### **LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14)

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves

an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

C. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

## **GRADUAL** (Psalm 78:38-39)

- V. But God is merciful and forgave their sin: He did not utterly destroy them. Time and again, He turned back His anger, unwilling to unleash all His rage.
- R. He was mindful that they were flesh, a breath that passes and does not return.



## A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO TIMOTHY

(1 Timothy 1:12-17)

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and

love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

C. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA VERSE

(Jeremiah 50:5)

- C. Alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- C. For there is one God. There is also one mediator between God and the human race, Christ Jesus, Himself human, Who gave Himself as ransom for all.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



#### THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE

(Luke 15:1-32)

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

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "These fellows welcome sinners and He eats with them."

So, He, told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors,

saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Then Jesus taught and said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So, he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So, he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!'

And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a voung goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.""

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



#### 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**

(Ezekiel 33:11a)

V. As I live, says the Lord God, I swear I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked man, but rather in the wicked man's conversion, that he may live.

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Merciful Father, grant that we who offer this oblation may be led to seek Your forgiveness and always be willing to forgive one another. 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**

**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. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

### **COMMUNION VERSE**

(Luke 15:10b)

V. There will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- C. The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- C. Let us pray. God of Forgiveness, in this Eucharist we have been reconciled to You. May we, who have been nourished by this Sacrament, always have the courage to forgive one another. 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.



#### **STUDIES IN SACRED SCRIPTURE**

## THE 2<sup>nd</sup> BOOK OF THE TORAH THE BOOK OF EXODUS

The first five books of the Old Testament are known as the Torah, in Hebrew: תּוֹרָה, which is translated as "Instruction", "teaching" or simply the "Law." In Greek it is known as the "Pentateuch." The Torah, represents the "first five books of Moses." They are attributed to Moses who received the Words of God on Mt. Sinai. He is known as the "Presenter or Giver of the "Law." The first five books could be briefly described as follows:

GENESIS The Beginnings
 EXODUS The Deliverance
 LEVITICUS The Divine Laws

4. NUMBERS The Pilgrimage of Israel5. DEUTERONOMY The Remembrance of the

Law & Canan

Following the Exodus of the children of Israel, from Egypt, led by Moses, the Jewish nation found themselves in dire straits. A lack of water, constant bickering and complaining, and now they were destined to wander in the wilderness as Nomadic peoples for the next 40 years. The wandering, of the children of Israel, in the wilderness, was due to their disobedience and lack of faith. It was to be, that all the generations coming out of Egypt, including Moses and Aaron, would not enter the Promised Land. Although Moses did see the Promised Land, he saw it on Mt. Nebo before he died, Moses, the never stepped in the "Promise Land." Now this new generation would be entering a new land, led by a new leader, Joshua, and it became necessary for them to recall all the laws and decrees that were given by God to Moses on Mt. Sinai. This was to be for them, a new beginning and a time of remembrance before coming into the new Promised land. This was to be for them, which was to be their "deliverance", as we find in the last book of the New Testament, the Book of Revelation, their "new Jerusalem.



"So, we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, for he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him." - 1 John 4:16

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Some considered the 15<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Luke as a "Gospel within a Gospel." For the parables of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin and the Prodigal Son are all the essential benchmarks of understanding the Christian faith.

I would first like to say that Jesus had a way of "putting it to the Pharisees," mainly for their hypocrisy and arrogance. Now the Pharisees were a religious and social movement in the time of Jesus. Following the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 AD it is believed that the Pharisees formed what is now known as modern day Rabbinic Judaism. In the time of Jesus, many Pharisees were

members of the Sanhedrin. The Sanhedrin were assemblies of either twenty-three or seventy-one rabbis appointed to sit as a tribunal or court and existed in every city in ancient Israel, especially in Jerusalem. Both Nicodemus and Joseph of Joseph of Arimathea were Pharisees and members of the Sanhedrin who followed the Lord privately.

It really irked the Pharisees and the Scribes when Jesus did not follow the 613 laws of Moses, known as the Torah. This time, Jesus is eating with sinners, which was a sin to the Pharisees. They considered sinners "people of the land" and to be avoided at all costs. Being clean unto God was the only way that one could approach God. We read this in Psalm 50:10: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right Spirit within me."

But Jesus was to come to sinners and those considered "unclean." The Parable of the Lost Sheep shows Jesus searching out all who would hear the "Good News", even sinners. He even told the Pharisees one day that prostitutes and tax collectors were entering into the Kingdom of God before they did.

The Parable of the Lost Coin speaks of the joy that one experiences when one finds that which was lost. I joked around one time, saying to a friend, that as we get older, we seem to gravitate toward Saint Anthony, the patron saint of lost keys, wallets and purses. How we rejoice when we find that which was lost. How much more with an individual who finds themselves. I think of the lyrics in the church hymn; "Amazing Grace" written by a former captain of a slave ship, John Newton, who found himself: "I once was blind but now I see, was lost but now I'm found."

I consider the Parable of the Prodigal Son one of the most important and meaningful teachings of Jesus, for it speaks of realization, redemption, reconciliation and rebirth unto God.

The word "prodigal" is defined as "to spend money or resources freely and recklessly; to live wastefully extravagant."

After demanding his inheritance, the father gave one of his sons his request. But as the story goes, this son spent his entire inheritance wastefully, living "life in excess" or putting it another way: "Living high on the hog." It is interesting that this phrase was used by the English author Chaucer as well as Shakespeare to describe that the best cuts of meat found on a hog was on its back.

Ironically, this young and foolish son ended up feeding hogs who ate more than he did. Scripture tells us that upon starving, "he came to his senses", He swallowed whatever pride and self-respect he had was left and returned to his father, broken, ashamed and penniless considering himself unworthy of the love of his father.

But Jesus tells us in this Parable, that the father seeing his son from a distance "ran to his son and embraced him." He ordered a special feast that day for his son and even placed a gold ring on his finger. On that day the son was forgiven and was reconciled back unto the father. I believe that the story of the Prodigal Son teaches all of us of the degree of eternal love that our Heavenly Father has for all of us. So many have drifted at times in lives, including myself, from unconditional love of God, People seek what the world offers but in the end, it is all passes. We have all been "prodigal" before God, one way or another, until we come to an "awareness" of His love and forgiveness when we return to Him. As Christians, we learn, that God loves us so much, that He sent His only begotten Son to die for our sins. In Romans: 3:23, we read that "we have all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God," just as that son realized before turning back to his father.

Did not Jesus, as the "Good Shepherd" teach His hearers about the 99 sheep that he left in and search for that one lost sheep. He calls out to his sheep and they have recognized His voice. "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

— John 10:27

My dear brothers and sister: May we take to heart the words of St. Paul, a sinner who found God: Indeed, the grace of our Lord has been abundant, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners

#### THE PARABLES OF JESUS

During the three-year ministry of our Lord, Jesus Christ, He spoke of life and of the "kingdom of God," using parables which could be understood. The following is a list of the Parables spoken by Jesus. I invite all to re-read these parables.

- 1. The "speck & the log" of people who judge each other.; Matt 7:1-6; Luke 6:37-43
- **2.** Foundation of homes: Matt 7:24-27; Luke 6:47-49
- 3. Children in the marketplace; Matt 11:16; Luke 7:32
- 4. The two debtors; Luke 7:41
- 5. The unclean spirit; Matt 12:43-45; Luke 11:24-26
- 6. The mediation of the rich man; Luke 12:16
- 7. The barren fig tree; Luke 13:6-9
- 8. The Sower; Matt 13:3-8; Mark 4:3-8; Luke 8:5-8
- 9. The tares and the wheat; Matt 13:24-30
- 10. The seed; Mark 4:20
- 11. The mustard seed; Matt 13:31; Mark 4:31-32. Luke 13:19
- 12. The leaven; Matt 13:33; Luke 13:21
- 13. The lamp; Matt5:15; Mark 4:21; Luke 8:16, 11:33
- 14. The dragnet; Matt 13:47-48
- 15. The hidden treasure: Matt 13:44
- 16. The pearl; Matt 13:45-46
- 17. The householder; Matt 13:52
- 18. The marriage; Matt 9:15; Mark 2:19-20; Luke 5:34-35
- 19. The patched garment; Matt 9:16; Mark 2:21 Luke 5:36
- **20.** The wine bottles; Matt 9:17; Mark 2:22; Luke 5:37
- 21. The harvest; Matt 9:37; Luke 10:2
- 22. The opponent; Matt 5:25; Luke 12:58
- **23.** The two debtors; Matt 18:23-35
- 24. The Good Samaritan; Luke 10:30-37
- 25. The three loaves; Luke 11:5-8
- 26. The good Shepherd; John 10:1-6
- **27.** The narrow gate; Matt 7:14; Luke 13:24
- 28. The guests; Luke 14:7-11
- **29.** The marriage supper; Matt 22:2-9 Luke 14:16-23

30. The wedding clothes; Matt 22:10-14

**31.** The tower; Luke 14:28-30

32. The king to war, Luke 14:31

33. The lost sheep; Matt 18, 12, 13. Luke 15:4-7

**34.** The lost coin; Luke 15:8-9

35. The prodigal son; Luke 15:11-31

36. The unjust steward; Luke 16:1-9

37. The rich man & Lazarus; Luke 16:19-31

38. The widow; Luke 18:2-5

39. The Pharisee & tax-collector: Luke 18:10-14

**40.** The slave's duty; Luke 17:7-10

41. The laborers in the vineyard; Matt 20:1-6

42. The talents; Luke 25:14-30; Luke19:11-27

**43.** The two sons; Matt 21:28

**44.** The wicked vine growers; Matt 21:33-43. Mark 12:1-9; Luke 20:9-16

45. The fig tree; Matt 24:32; Mark 13:28.

Luke 21:29-30

46. The watching slave; Matt 24:43; Luke 12:39

47. The man on a journey; Mark 13:34

48. The 2 slaves; Matt 24:45-51; Luke 12:42-46

**49.** The ten virgins; Matt 25:1-12

50. The watching slaves; Luke 12:36-38

51. The vine and the branches; John 15:1-6



### **PARISH CALENDAR AND NEWS**

8:45 am Morning Devotionals

9:00 am Holy Mass of the Eucharist

### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

 $(July 14^{th} - July 20^{th})$ 

Mon. 7/14 Mass of Thankgiving

Prisca & Aquila, Martyrs

Everid, Virgin

Marchelm, Priest

Tues. 7/15 Mass for Health and Healing

Bonaventure, Bp., D., C. Vladimir of Kiev, Duke David of Sweden, Bishop

Wed. 7/16 Solemnity- Lady of Mt. Carmel

Our Lady of Mt.Carmel Lumila of Bohemiia, Martyr

Athenogenes, Bishop & Martyr

Thurs. 7/17 Mass to the Holy Saints of God

Spertus & Companions, Martyrs Clement of Okhrida & Companions,

Martyrs

Jadwiga of Poland, Queen

Friday 7/18 Mass to the Holy Angels of God

Simon of Lipnicza, Priest

Frederick, Bishop Pambo, Monk

Saturday 7/19 Private Prayer and Devotion

Vincent de Paul, Confessor Macrina the Younger, Virgin Arsenius the Great, Hermit

**Please note:** I will be away from our Parish, attending the Funeral Mass for our dear beloved senior of our Eastern Diocese + The Very Rev. Joseph Krusienski, which will be held on Saturday July 19, 2025 at 10:00 am at Holy Trinity PNCC Parish in Plantsville, CT. All are invited to attend.

# NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025 16th SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

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



#### **MINISTRY OF LAY READERS**

The following is the schedule of our brothers and sisters, who have volunteered to proclaim the "Word of God" for the following Sundays. As scheduled for July:

Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Shirley Mietlicki-Floyd

Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> John Harrington Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> Josh Tudryn

**Please note:** If for any reason, an assigned reader cannot proclaim the Word of God for a given Sunday, please see either Fr. Koerber or Peg Kostiuk, who has taken on this ministry.

Please note: On Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM, our Parish will sponsor a take-out **Chicken BBQ dinner.** We are in need of **charcoal.** All donations received will be greatly appreciated and can be brought directly to our Parish Hall. Mailings for this event will be sent out this week. May God bless all our endeavors.



### PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

May we pray for the health and healing for all those, who we remember in our prayers, especially for:

George and Janet Sadowski, Wayne & Pat Shaw, Richard Foster, Carolyn Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Cindy Benjamin, Mary Jekansowski, Bill Durkee, Jimmy & Paula Winn, Stefanik Gadecki, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, Fernanda Harrington, baby James, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, Halina Lukomski, Lori Lukomski, C.J. Panell, Mick Szumski, Tosia & Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak Todd Odell, David Moskin, Laurie Lis, Renata Wos, Jan Clark, and Joey De Fayette, Zoe Kinnunen.

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 are ailing. Deliver them, according to Your will, from all their present sicknesses and illnessness, 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.



# ONE BREAD, ONE BODY Daily Devotions

"One Bread, One Body" a daily devotional booklet is available, free of charge, in the vestibule of our Church. These daily readings and devotionals are based on the Common Lectionary.



#### **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." - Matthew 25:35

Our next grocery "give-a-way" date will be **Saturday, July 19th** from 10 o'clock while supplies last. I wish to thank all those who have donated to our food ministry. Donations of food as well as monetary donations for the purchase food will be greatly appreciated.

## We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and packets of instant oatmeal.
- Fruit juices, V8, Apple and cranberry.
- Powder milk / condensed milk.
- Hot chocolate and tea bags.
- Pasta and spaghetti sauce.
- Boxes of Mac-n-cheese.
- Canned tuna in water.
- Canned meats- chicken, salmon, etc.
- Ramen noodles.
- Soups- all varieties.
- Canned veggies and fruits.
- Children's snack packs



**Please note**: Also, through our Parish ministries, we are continuing to collect "full sized" containers of personal care items and cleaning items to aid others. All items collected, will be donated to the various survival centers in our area. Items needed:

- Bar soaps and body wash, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, hand sanitizers, toilet paper, and personal products for incontinence (pads & panty liners, baby powder, baby wipes and diapers.
- Liquid dish soap, laundry detergent, paper towels, bathroom and kitchen cleansers, dish sponges/scrubbers, trash bags.



## **Collecting plastic tops**

We continue to collect **white or clear plastic bottle tops** that will be donated to aid in the making of prosthetics for veterans in need.

A collection container has been set up in the vestibule of our church. Please help donate your plastic tops to this new ministry.

#### THE EASTERN DIOCESE OF THE PNCC

## ED MISSION & EVANGELISM COMMISSION WEDNESDAYS AT NOON – CALL TO PRAYER

On Wednesdays, at 12:00 Noon, during the month of July, all are called upon to offer the following prayers:

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Who said: "Ask and you shall receive; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you," give, we ask You, the grace of Your most divine love, that with all our hearts, words and works we may love You and never cease to praise You. Make us, O Lord, have a perpetual fear and love of Your Holy Name for you never fail to govern those whom You establish in Your love. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

**Our Father**, Who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.



### **CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES**

The Clergy and members of the Eastern Diocese of the PNCC will gather today **July 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm** at the **Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, New Hampshire** for service. Following Holy Mass, participants are invited to a complimentary meal will take place at the Woodbound Inn, Ridge, New Hampshire.



## Sp. Joseph Krusienski

The Funeral Mass for + The Very Rev. Joseph Krusienski will be held on Saturday July 19, 2025 at 10:00 am at Holy Trinity PNCC Parish in Plantsville, CT. Those attending are asked to please meet directly at the church.

The following link to join the church service, can be viewed virtually by using the following:

## (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDW 6mMkc4YBkCYc1MVpSqLA).

There will also be a Masonic service at Ashlar Village, 74 Cheshire Rd, Wallingford, CT at 3:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, July 18, 2025, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Plantsville Funeral Home, 975 S. Main St., Plantsville.

His final place of rest will be St. Stanislaus Cemetery in Scranton, Pennsylvania.

As a fellow Mason, how sad, that much negativity has come about over the "funny hat" that Fr. Sr. Joe chose to be remembered by. It should be noted that the hat that Fr. Sr. Joseph Krusienski is wearing is when he became a 33° degree Mason, the highest honor bestowed upon a fellow Mason in the Scottish rite of Freemasonry.

It is not an achievement that a fellow Mason can earn on their own, but it is only through invitation that one can be elevated to such an illustrious degree. This degree denotes a lifetime of service to one's community & the principles of Freemasonry.

Among his many achievements, Fr. Senior Joe also served as a volunteer firefighter for Engine Company 2 in Plantsville, CT where he was known as "Rev Joe." He joined the force in 1977 and served as Second Lieutenant in 1984, First Lieutenant in 1986 and Captain from 1988-1990. He was made a lifetime member in 2009. He was still serving as Chaplain for the Southington and Naugatuck fire departments prior to his passing. He will be missed.