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## TODAY, AUGUST 31, 2025 22nd SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

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

10:00 am – Monthly meeting of the Parish Committee.

#### **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**

(Zephaniah 2:3a; Psalm 149:40)

- V. Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth, who have observed His law; seek justice, seek humility.
- R. For the Lord takes delight in His people, honors the poor with victory.

- 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 bworld 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

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. Let us pray. Lord, our God, You scattered the proud in the conceit of their hearts: all their plans are brought to nothing. Forgive our sins of pride that we may never despise our brothers and sisters, but, in love embrace all people. 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

# A READING FROM THE BOOK OF SIRACH

(Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29)

My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. What is too sublime for you, seek not, into things beyond your strength search not. The

mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.

V. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

(Psalm 40: 2, 3, 4, 12)

# R: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just rejoice and exult before God; they are glad and rejoice.

Sing to God, chant praise to his name; whose name is the LORD.

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling.

God gives a home to the forsaken;
he leads forth prisoners to prosperity.

# R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

A bountiful rain you showered down, O God, upon your inheritance;

you restored the land when it languished;
your flock settled in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided it for the needy.

R. God, in your goodness, you ha ve made a home for the poor.

# A READING FROM THE LETTER OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE HEBREWS

(Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24)

Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel.

V. The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

### **ALLELUIA VERSE**

(Sirach 3:28)

- V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- V. The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, and an attentive ear is the wise man's joy.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE

(Luke 14:1, 7-14)

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- V. A reading from the Gospel according to Luke.

On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one

R. Glory be to You, O Lord.

of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing Him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man, 'and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say,' My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. Then He taught: For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

- /. The Gospel of the Lord.
- R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

# A 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**

(Psalm 25:9)

V. The Lord guides the humble rightly and teaches the humble the way.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, grant that these gifts we now offer before You may become a heavenly healing and cleanse us from unseemly pride. 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. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

## **COMMUNION VERSE**

(1 Peter 3:8)

V. Finally, all of you, be of one mind, sympathetic, loving toward one another, compassionate and humble.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- V. Let us pray. Heavenly Father, enlivened with the presence of Christ in the Eucharist, give us a humble and tender spirit, that we may think less of ourselves, more of others, and most of all of You. 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.

#### IN APPRECIATION

At this time, I wish to thank the men and women of our Parish for all their work and labor at our recently Chicken BBQ. A more comprehensive report of names will be listed in next week's bulletin.



# PRAYERS FOR HEALTH AND HEALING

"And He sent them out to proclaim the kingdom - Luke 2:9 of God and to heal the sick."

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

George and Janet Sadowski, Wayne Shaw, Richard Foster, Carolyn Rapalye, Karen Herzig, Cindy Benjamin, Bill Durkee, Jerry Pawlikowski, Paula Winn, Stefanik Gadecki, Marge Sanderson, Brandon Poe, Fernanda Harrington, baby James, Liam & Evelyn Spatcher, Jennie Harrington, Eric Rose, , Lori Lukomski, C.J. Panell, Mick Szumski, Tosia & Toka Bara, Laurie Lis, Bp. Paul Sobiechowski, 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.



# PARISH CALENDAR AND NEWS

**Morning Devotionals** 8:45 am Holy Mass of the Eucharist 9:00 am

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

(September 1st- September 7th)

Mon. 9/1

Mass of Thanksgiving

Giles, Abbot The Twelve Brothers, Martyrs John of Perrgia, Priest & Martyr Peter of Sassoferrato, Martyr

. Private Prayer & Devotions **Tues.** 9/2

Antoninus of Paniers, Martyr Castor of Apt, Bishop

Brocard, Hermit

Mass of Health and Healing Wed. 9/3

Simeon Stylites the Younger, P & H

Macaninius, Bishop

Seraphia, Virgin & Martyr

Mass to the Holy Angels of God Thurs. 9/4

Rosalia, Virgin

Marcellus & Valerian, Martyrs

Ida of Herzfeld, Widow

Mass to the Holy Saints of God Friday 9/5

Zechariah the Prophet, NT

Bartinus, Abbot

Hedelitha, Abbess & Virgin

Mass to the Holy Name of Jesus Saturday 9/6

Rose of Lima, Virgin

Donatian, Laetus & Companions,

Bishop & Martrys

Phoebe, Deaconess, NT

Kathleen E. (Loftus) Lafleur

July 7, 1951 ~ August 24, 2025 (age 74)

It is with great sadness that I announce that our dear sister, Kathleen (Kathy) Lafleur passed away last Sunday, August 24, 2025 at the Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton, surrounded by her loving family.

A prayer service will be held on Saturday September 6 at 11:30 am at the Barry J. Farrell Funeral Home, 2049 Northampton Street, Holyoke. Burial will be held at a later date. Visitation in the funeral home will be from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations in Kathleen's memory be made to: Shriners Hospitals for Children, The **Epilepsy Foundation of New England and the Boston** Children's Hospital.

Our thoughts, prayers and condolences are sent out to her husband, Conrad (Buddy) and their family.

# **NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025** 23rd SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY

9:00 am - Holy Mass of the Eucharist to be celebrated in the Traditional rite. BANNS OF MARRIAGE are announce for the second time between the Rev. Fr. Robert M. Koerber and Ms. Halina H. Lukomski that will take place on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at the Holy Name of Jesus PNCC in South Deerfield, MA.

### 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 in August for the coming weeks:

Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> Jim Winn

Paula Winn

Sunday, September 14th Shirley Mietlicki-Floyd



## **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, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am while supplies last. We also wish to thank all those who have donated to our food ministry. Donations of food as well as monetary gifts will greatly be received and appreciated.

#### We are still in need of the following:

- Cereals and instant oatmeal.
- Fruit juices, V8, Apple and Cranberry juices.
- 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 in need. 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



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

In the month of September, our Eastern Diocese has called upon all its members to offer prayer at 12:00 noon.

#### **LET US PRAY**

Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, You taught us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Enlighten the hearts of our enemies that they may seek the peace that only You can give. Grant us grace to forgive and to be forgiven. Enable us all to work toward justice and embrace Your love that reconciles us with one another. In Your blessed Name we pray. 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.

PNCC Eastern Diocese Mission and Evangelism Commission