

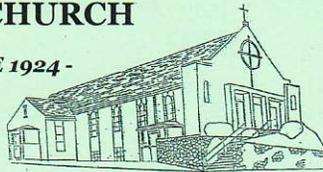
# HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH

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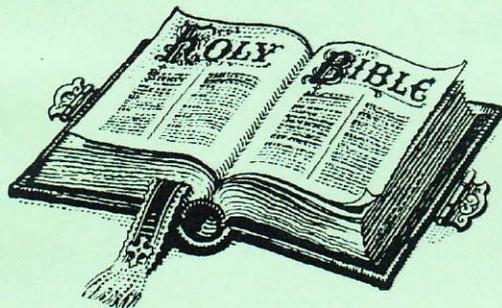
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BULLETIN for  
**26<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday**  
October 1, 2017  
**Holy Mass at 9:00 AM**  
[www.holysaviourpncc.org](http://www.holysaviourpncc.org)

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass today is celebrated in **Traditional Rite** (see pg. 15 and on);

Mass Intention for † **Danuta Burzynska** (aunt of Fr. Paul) who passed away suddenly at age of 65.



## A reading from the Book of Ezekiel (18:25-28)

Thus says the LORD: You say, "The LORD's way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

## Psalm (25) Response: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior.

### Response: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old. The sins of my youth and my frailties remember not; in your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.

### Response: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way. He guides the humble to justice, and teaches the humble his way.

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## A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians (2:1-5)

Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

## Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

## A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew (21:28-32)

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.'

*We are Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values. Therefore everyone is always welcome to worship with us in our church. It is a house of prayer for all, who with sincere heart desire to praise the only God in his Son Jesus Christ.*

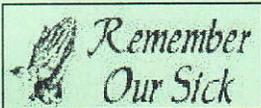
He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?' They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."



**General Intercession:**     *Response:* **Lord, graciously hear our prayer.**

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ➔ **Mission Fund special collection** will be taken today at the door. Thank you.
- ➔ **Healing Mass** with Sacrament of Anointing will be held this week on **Wednesday at 7:00 PM.**
- ➔ Ecumenical Food Bank will offer **Thanksgiving Baskets** once again this year. We have been asked to collect **150 cans of corn** as it was in previous years. Any donation will be very appreciated.
- ➔ **Happy Birthday!** ...to **Debbie Caruso**, who celebrated her birthday yesterday. – Lots of best wishes of health for the many years to come and lots of joy and God's blessing upon you. 100 Lat!
- ➔ **"TASTE of POLAND"** returns on **Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>** from 11:00 AM—2:30 PM. The smell and taste of Polish food is in the air once again, an opportunity for all to enjoy and rediscover the taste of typical Polish food. Please advertise this event among your friends, relatives and neighbors.
- ➔ **Thank you to Ken, Dave and Henry** for putting protective posts around propane cylinder standing next to the church wall and again **Dave and Henry** who have repaired the wall along the driveway.
- ➔ **Holy Communion visits** (sick visits). If you are confined at home or have a family member at hospital or nursing home unable to take part in Sunday Mass and Sacraments, please notify the father to set the day and time for pastoral visit. ***In case of emergency call the father: 475-208-4455.***



- ➔ **Please remember in your prayer** those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes. Especially the following parishioners and our friends: **Cheryl Peters** (34 Highland Ave. Oxford, CT 06478), **Josephine Kosik** (158 Strongtown Rd, Southbury, CT 06488), **Stella Korwozny** (Serenity Mountain Manor, Jasper, GA 30143), **Helen Krzykowski** (122 Garden Manor Ct., Murrells Inlet, SC 29576), **Logan Caruso** (65 Long Swamp Rd, Wolcott, CT 06716) and **Robert Deptula** (Naugatuck).

## **The correct answer isn't always right**



This Sunday's Gospel story was meant to shock people who think they're okay spiritually but do not honestly examine how well they do the Father's will. Jesus said that tax collectors and prostitutes (professions considered to be the most contemptible and unholy) were entering the kingdom of God ahead of religious experts! These so-called "experts" knew the correct answer to the question that Jesus posed - they knew to say yes to God - but knowing the right answer and actually doing the right answer is the dividing line between heaven and hell.

God doesn't want right answers; He wants righteous actions. God doesn't want dutiful compliance to Church teachings; he wants obedience motivated by love and an enthusiastic attitude of serving in the mission of the Church.

What's the value of going to Mass every Sunday, for example, if it doesn't result in deeds of holiness outside the Mass? Do you know someone who's saying "no" to coming to Mass? If they're doing good works because they genuinely love God, who's to say they won't reach full unity with him sooner than people who attend every Mass but do little to help others?

God wants us to do both: Know the right answers and be righteous. Go to Mass faithfully and be changed by it. Say yes to his calling to make the world a better place by uniting ourselves to Christ in church and following out him out the door, taking him to everyone we meet.