

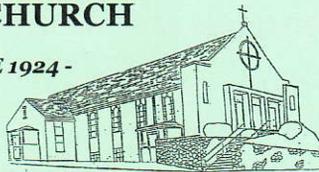
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BULLETIN for
23rd Ordinary Sunday
September 5, 2021
Holy Mass at 9:00 AM

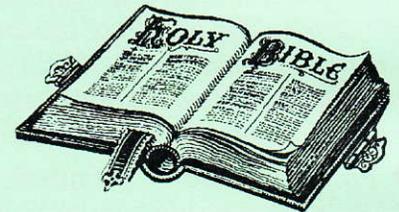
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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass today is celebrated in **Traditional Rite** (*begins from page 15*);

Mass Intention for this Sunday is available. If you have one, please see Father Paul before the Mass.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (35:4-7)

Thus says the LORD: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing. Streams will burst forth in the desert, and rivers in the steppe. The burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground, springs of water.



Psalm (146) Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

The God of Jacob keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free. Response: **Praise the Lord, my soul!**

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers. Response: **Praise the Lord, my soul!**

The fatherless and the widow the LORD sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts. The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia!

Response: **Praise the Lord, my soul!**

A reading from the Letter of St James (2:1-5)

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes comes into your assembly, and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Sit here, please," while you say to the poor one, "Stand there," or "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil designs?

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark (7:31-37)

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to

lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"-- that is, "Be opened!" - And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he

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spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

General Intercession:

Response: Lord, help us to share your power of love with others.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



➔ **Mission Fund special collection** is taken today at the door. Thank you!

➔ As a new variant of the Covid-19 virus is spreading quickly in some local communities it might be necessary to re-introduce **wearing a mask while inside the church. Social distancing is still recommended** to make yourself feel more comfortable.

➔ A **Mass for current Military & First Responders** will be held in our church next Sunday, **September 12th, 2021**. The names of the **current military, police, fire and emergency medical personnel** will be read during this mass. If you would like to have a name(s) of your family member, friend, neighbor or whom you know be read, please **submit them to Fr. Paul or Ken Krasko ASAP**. Please include title, full name, unit and town (if possible); example: John James Brown, 4th Infant Div., US Army, Ft Carson CO.

➔ **Parish Picnic is planned for SUNDAY, September 19th** after Mass. Our Chef and musician David McWilliams and his band will play music during this event. All parishioners with families are welcomed to come for a time of fellowship and joy. Sign-up sheet available in our parish hall.

➔ **Church Tag Sale is planned for September 25th, Saturday, from 10AM to 3PM**. If you have **any used but clean and working items** and want to donate them, please bring them to the parish hall beginning immediately. Also, if you can volunteer to help please see Rory or Dorothy. More info to follow.

➔ **"TASTE of POLAND" returns**, and will be held on **Saturday, October 30th, between 11:00AM-2:30PM**. The smell and taste of Polish food is in the air once again, an opportunity for all to enjoy and rediscover the taste of delicious Polish food. **Please advertise this event** among your friends, relatives and neighbors.

➔ **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 directly the father @ 475-208-4455**.



**Remember
Our Sick**

➔ **Please remember in your prayer** those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes, especially our parishioners and friends: **Cheryl Peters** (Oxford, CT), **Diana Raczkowski** (Naugatuck, CT), **Sarah Squezello** (Stratford, CT), **Logan Caruso** (Wolcott, CT).

➔ **Reminder:** Cheese/Potato pierogi and golabki (stuffed-cabbage), are available for sale in the parish hall.

What the Scripture tells us today...



The reading for this Sunday has Isaiah prophesying not to be afraid, that God would come to vindicate them. When this prophecy is fulfilled, "Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared." These are prophetic images of Jerusalem being set free, healed and restored. Isaiah speaks of God in a personal manner as the one who knows those basic needs of ours. He spoke not only of the immediate promise of God to restore Israel, but his message looked towards the fulfillment of God's plan of sending a Messiah and Redeemer. Throughout the Gospels Jesus fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah as he opens the ears of the deaf and restores the speech of those with impediments, he also opens the eyes of the blind, heals the crippled, raises the dead back to life, and ultimately takes away our sins.

This Gospel is a good reminder and lesson for us of how to look on God. In our minds, hearts and devotions we sometimes place a great distance between us and God, while these Scriptures show us how close God is to us. He desires to reach out and touch us, whether it be to heal us of some infirmity, comfort us during a time of sorrow, or forgive us when we sin against him. When we turn our hearts and lives to God we always receive far more than we expect.