

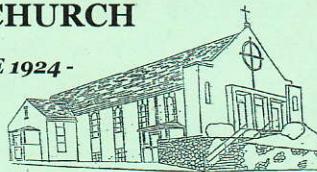
HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH

OF THE POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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BULLETIN for

25th Ordinary Sunday

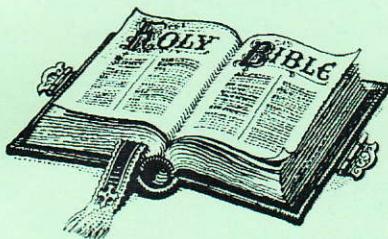
September 24, 2017

Holy Mass at 9:00 AM

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass today is celebrated in **Contemporary Rite** (see pg. 63 and on);

Mass Intention for today is available; if you have one please see father before the Mass.



A reading from the Book of Isaiah (55:6-9)

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near.
Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways,
says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thought.

Psalm (145)

Response: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

Response: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

Response: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.

The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

Response: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians (1:20-24,27)

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew (20:1-16)

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the

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.

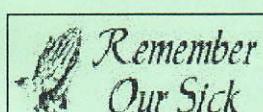


marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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 Bill Lazowsky who will celebrate his birthday this week on Wednesday. – Best wishes of health for the years to come and lots of joy and God's blessing upon you. 100 Lat!
- **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 Korwotny** (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).



Thoughts on the Gospel

The parable of the workers in the vineyard is rather startling. People who work an hour in the late afternoon are paid the same as those who work all day long. Obviously God doesn't think like we do. We think of justice in terms of what is fair, of what people deserve. So we would say that the people who worked longer deserved more. But God doesn't see it that way. God thinks of justice in terms of people's dignity, their right to a decent life. - The people who came late had the same right to a decent life as those who had worked all day, so they are all treated equally. Nothing is taken from anyone, but all are treated in accord with their dignity, their right to a decent life. Such is God's justice. My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. Perhaps we would have a better world if we were to adopt some of God's ways. After all, the Lord is just in all his ways, and that is something, which cannot be said of all our ways. Father, guide us according to your law of love. Free us from our law of vindictive justice.

♥ If you feel that you have experienced in some ways the blessing in your life,

maybe it is important to share with others what you have received from God.

In your generosity, please consider a donation or bequest to Holy Saviour Parish.

Thank you very much and may God continue His blessing upon you.