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**LESSON: WISDOM 5:1-5**  
**LESSON: 1st TIM 4:1-5**  
**GOSPEL: JOHN 15:1-7**

**INSTITUTION OF THE PNCC**  
**2nd SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**MARCH 8th 2009**



**TODAY MARCH 8th ANNIVERSARY COLLECTION TO BE TAKEN-UP, 2nd COLLECTION.**

**10:30AM** Mass for the Living & Deceased of the PNCC & our Parish.

**PARISH DINNER TO FOLLOW AFTER MASS.**

**SOCL:** Will be held following Holy Mass.

**MONDAY MARCH 9th ST. GREGORY OF NYSSA, BISHOP, (WHITE)**

**7:30AM** Baking of rolls.

**8AM** Mass for an increase of Vocations to the Priesthood.

**TUESDAY MARCH 10th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)**

**8AM** Mass for the soul of Fr. Robert Barone; 4th Anni of death.

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 11th**

**10:30AM** Fr. Carmen will attend a meeting of Clergy Executive Board.

**THURSDAY MARCH 12th ST. GREGORY THE GREAT, BP. & DR., (WHITE)**

**8AM** Mass for the soul of Adele Karustis; 1st Anni of death.

**FRIDAY MARCH 13th**

**7PM** Bitter Lamentations of the Cross, Benediction.

**SUNDAY MARCH 15th 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT, (PURPLE)**

**LESSON: EXODUS 20:1-17 LESSON: 1st CORINTHIANS 1:22-25 GOSPEL: JOHN 2:13-25**

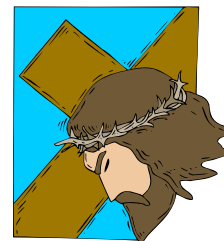
**9AM** Mass for the Joseph Belchunas; 7th Anni of death: Rea. by MaryAnn Belchunas.

**LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE**

**26 ATTENED 25 COMMUNION**

**LECTOR: FOR SUNDAY MARCH 15th ERIC TRAWINSKI.**

**CHOIR:** Anyone who would like to sing in the Choir may see the Organist today & next Sunday.



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**LENTEN REGULATIONS: FASTING MEANS** the eating of 1 full meal & 2 partial **NO** eating between meals. **ABSTAINING MEANS NO** eating of meat. **ABSTAINING** involves persons ages **8** to **65**. **FASTING** including our Lenten Sacrifice involves persons ages **14** to **65**. The sick & those who care for them at home are exempt from the rules of Lent, (but ought to find another way of offering sacrifice). The exemption includes women who are pregnant. **ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINENCE. GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE.** There is also the optional custom of abstaining from meat on Wednesdays. Sundays are not included in the Lenten observance, Also the Solemnity of the Annunciation March 25th. **THE LENTEN OBSERVANCE END ON EASTER SUNDAY MORNING!**

**TWO NEW SUB-COMMITTEES:** We are creating two new sub-committees for the good of our Parish. **Budget Committee** will work to set a yearly operating budget for the Parish. **Contact Committee** will make calls to future members & will contact those we have not seen in awhile. These positions will not be part of the regular parish committee, but will be another arm of the committee for the betterment of our parish. Anyone who would like to serve on either or both of these sub-committees may contact Fr. Carmen or Dan Broczkowski.

**PARISH DINNER:** The Annual Parish Dinner to mark the Institution of the Polish National Catholic Church will be held **NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 8th**. Holy Mass that day will be celebrated at **10:30AM** dinner will be served at Noon. Menu features; Meatloaf, vegetables, salad, mashed potatoes, rolls/w butter, dessert & beverage. Cost **\$8.00** for adults **\$4.00** children **12** & under. Please sign-up in the Narthex. Invite your family & friends. **RESERVATIONS CLOSE TODAY. DONATION OF DESSERTS ARE ASKED.**

**SPRING BAZAAR:** The Annual Spring Bazaar will be held on **SATURDAY APRIL 4th**. From **10AM-1PM**. We will feature all our delicious homemade food & baked goods, as well as the White Elephant Sale, Chinese Auction, Kielbasa & much more. The kitchen will serve food for eat-in & take-out. **White Elephant items** can be brought to the Church until **SUNDAY MARCH 22nd**, if you are bringing them during the week, please call first. Please sign up to donate a Chinese Auction Basket. If you have not pick-up your donation slip **PLEASE** do so & bring it back marked with your donation. Slips can be placed in the box in the Narthex or given to Mary Ann Bartone. **(THE EASTER BUNNY WILL BE HERE DURING BAZAAR FOR THE CHILDREN.)**

**KIELBASA:** The Y.M.S. of R. will once again sell Kielbasa for Easter. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex & the Parish Hall. Cost is **\$5.00** per ring. **ORDERS WILL CLOSE SUNDAY MARCH 22nd.**

**MEMORIAL CANDLES:** Offerings for Memorial Candles for Easter are now being accepted. Please use the Envelope found in your packet. Candle offering is **\$2.00**.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** Offerings for Easter Flowers are now being accepted. Please use the envelope in your packet. **MEMORIAL OFFERINGS** for a loved one are **\$10.00**. Please write the name of whom the offering is for. Those giving Memorial Offerings may take a flower home after the 4th Week of Easter. **OFFERING WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL APRIL 9th.**

**EASTER EGG HUNT:** Will be held for the children & grandchildren of the Parish ages **1** to **12** on **SUNDAY APRIL 5th at 2PM**. The Egg Hunt is sponsored by the Y.M.S. of R. There will be fun for all the children, the Easter Bunny will be here. Please sign-up in the Narthex.

**PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS:** Who serve in many parts of the world.

**SACRED VOCATIONS:** Please Pray for an increase of Vocations to the Diaconate and Priesthood.

**REMEMBER THE SICK:** Please pray for the sick & infirmed of our parish. Especially for Gertrude Gron, Anthony Getsko, Catherine Mathues, John Soltysiak, Monia Soltysiak, Jennie O'Callaghan, Kara Getsko, Irene Adams, Georgine Kelhart, Mary Stefan, Amelia Stankus, Dorothy Villa, Beth Rutkowski, Elana Todd, Gerry Matla, Alexandra Keysock. **Please let Father Carmen know when your loved ones are in the hospital so he may visit them. Also please let Fr. Carmen know when you have been released from the hospital.**