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OFFICE HOURS

Sunday: Closed or by appointment

Monday - Friday: 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Saturday: Closed or by appointment

INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST

Sunday-----9:00 am
1:00 pm in English
11:00 am in Polish

Weekdays

Monday - Saturday -----9:00 am

Saturday -----5:00 pm
for Sunday obligation

Holy Day Vigil----- 7:00 pm, English

Holy Day-----9:00 am
12:00 noon in English
7:00 pm bi-lingual, English & Polish

RECONCILIATION

Saturday -----4:15 pm

Daily & Sunday: After each Mass.
Special Penance Services scheduled
seasonally in English and Polish.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Levels 1 - 8:

Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:40 pm

For information regarding Parish
Sacrament Preparation Classes, please
call the Office.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made with a priest as soon as possible. One year prior to marriage or as soon as engagement is announced is recommended.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK: In the event of serious illness or when someone is hospitalized, the parish office should be notified. The Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated with anyone requesting them. Remember, the Hospital cannot notify us on their own.

YOUTH MINISTRY: The Youth Mass is at 9:00 am on Sundays and "Get-A-Grip," grades 7-12, meets for Liturgy of the Word during the Mass on the first Sunday of the month. Youth in grades 9-12 meet at scheduled intervals.

CATECHUMENATE (RCIA): A process of faith building for those who would like to become members of, or for all who have not received full initiation into, the Roman Catholic Church. Please call the Catechetics Center for more information.

BAPTISM: Celebrated throughout the year in accordance with the policy of the Archdiocese and to accommodate the needs of our Parish Family. Attendance at a preparation session may be required. You must be a registered and active family for at least 90 days before a date for Baptism will be scheduled. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

Mass Intentions

Saturday – June 8... Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00AM...+Pat Rushforth, req. Family
5:00PM...+Bob Chanda, req. Pat and Mark Whipkey

Sunday – June 9...Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM...+Steven C. Williams, req. Dad
11:00AM...+Zofia i Pawel Dziuba, req. Ćorka i Rodzina
1:00PM...+George Polizzano, req. Johanna Merkle

Monday – June 10... Weekday

9:00AM...+Lucia Simeone, req. Antonia Riello

Tuesday – June 11...St. Barnabas

9:00AM...+Victor Benitez, req. Jaun Benitez

Wednesday – June 12...Weekday

9:00AM... +Dennis Powers, req. MHS Reunion Committee

Thursday – June 13... St. Anthony of Padula

9:00AM...+Ed Merklinger, req. Kathy and Eric

Friday – June 14... Weekday

9:00AM...+Blanca Rosales, req. Marta

Saturday – June 15... Weekday

9:00AM...+ People of the Parish
5:00PM...+Bob Chanda, req. Ann Garner

Sunday – June 16...Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM...+Lucia Simeone, req. Maria Perina
11:00AM...+Jerzy Sabatowicz, req. Ćorka i Rodzina
1:00PM...+Donna Kistner, req. Myron Zabawsky

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15

God asked Adam why he ate the fruit from the forbidden tree. Adam blames his companion, who in turn blames a serpent. God then told the serpent it would be banned from other animals, and be an enemy of humanity.

Second Reading: II Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Paul describes our belief that "He who raised up the Lord Jesus will raise us up along with Jesus." Although our bodies grow weaker, each day our inner strength grows. Paul also describes our burdens as light when compared to the eternal rewards we can attain.

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Some of the scribes felt that Jesus was possessed and claimed that he expelled demons with help from Satan. Jesus silenced them by asking, "How can Satan expel Satan?" Jesus also warned them that although many sins would be forgiven, blasphemy against the Holy Spirit would not. Jesus was then told that his mother, brother and sisters were asking for him. He asked, "Who are my mother and brother and sisters? Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me." This demonstrates Jesus' deep love for all those who love God.

The Tabernacle Candle will burn this week for The soul of Blanca Rosales at the request of Daughter Marta and Family.

The Bread and Wine used at Mass for the month of **June is for Jovito Imperial at the request of the Wong Family.**

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for those whose health is challenged in any way especially **Kate Rooney, Marian Parcinski, and Lucille Thurston.**

OUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all the **Faithful Departed** especially **Dennis Powers.**

Word

STEWARDSHIP

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand." - MARK 3:24

Within your parish community, do your ministries collaborate with each other or do they compete against each other? Do your parish ministries work for the greater glory of God or do they work for the glory of the people running them? The primary goal of parish ministry is not to increase Mass attendance, increase the number of volunteers or increase offertory. The primary goal is to be one Body of Christ that helps people take one step closer to Jesus. If it's not doing that, it's not worth doing.

DEVOTION

The Rosary is prayed before the 9AM Mass during the week Monday – Saturday. On Thursdays after 9AM Mass the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, closing with Benediction at 11:00AM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on a regular basis on Saturdays at 4:15PM and after weekday Masses simply by requesting a celebration of the sacrament.

MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER

Mt. St. Mary House of Prayer offers many programs that invite us to be stretched and grow in relationship with ourselves, others and God. For more information see the website:

www.msmhope.org or email msmhope@msmhope

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

The Rosary Mass is celebrated at the 9:00AM Mass on the First Sunday of the month followed by a short meeting after Mass in the Parish Commons.



YOUTH

Confirmation June 2nd, 2024



COMMUNITY BUILDING

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

We will continue to collect food in the open area of the church for Starfish to be distributed throughout the Union County. Dates should be current and food **must be non-perishable**. Thank you for all your support throughout the years.

Show your Love for babies in the womb!

Get a "Baby Feet" car magnet

Symbols are very important in successful social movements. Show your love for babies in the womb and their families by putting a "baby feet" magnet on your car. They will be available **NEXT WEEKEND** at the main entrance of the church. There is no charge for them, however donations are graciously accepted. To get a car magnet by mail, just email: BabyFeetMagnet@gmail.com with your name and mailing address or call: (973) 497-4500.



The Saint of the Week

St. Barnabas

(June 11)

He was among Christ's earliest followers, one of the 72 disciples of Christ, and was responsible for welcoming St. Paul into the Church.

St. Barnabas was born to wealthy Jewish parents on the Greek-speaking island of Cyprus, probably around the time of Christ's own birth. Traditional accounts hold that his parents sent him to study in Jerusalem, where he studied at the school of Gamaliel (who also taught St. Paul). Later on, when Christ's public ministry began, Barnabas may have been among those who heard him preach in person. At some point, either during Christ's ministry or after his death and resurrection, Barnabas decided to commit himself in the most radical way to the teachings he had received. He sold the large estate he had inherited, contributed the proceeds entirely to the Church, and joined Christ's other apostles in holding all of their possessions in common. Saul of Tarsus, the future St. Paul, approached Barnabas after the miraculous events surrounding his conversion, and was first introduced to St. Peter through him. About five years later, Barnabas and Paul spent a year in Antioch, building up the Church community whose members were the first to go by the name of "Christians." Both Paul and Barnabas received a calling from God to become the "Apostles of the Gentiles," although the title is more often associated with St. Paul.

Barnabas and Paul left Antioch along with Barnabas' cousin John Mark (Mark the Evangelist). The group's first forays into the pagan world met with some success, but Mark became discouraged and returned to Jerusalem. The question of Mark's dedication to the mission would arise again later and cause a significant personal disagreement between Paul and Barnabas. For many years prior to this, however, the two apostles traveled and preached among the Gentiles, suffering persecution and hardships for the sake of establishing Christianity among those of a non-Jewish background. The remarkable success of Barnabas and Paul led to one of the earliest controversies in Church history, regarding the question of whether Christian converts would have to observe Jewish rites. During the landmark Council of Jerusalem, recorded in the book of Acts, the assembled apostles confirmed St. Peter's earlier proclamation that the laws of the Old Testament would not be mandatory for Christians.

Barnabas and Paul finally separated in their ministries over Paul's insistence that Mark not travel with them again. In death, however, the "Apostles to the Gentiles" were reunited. Mark is said to have buried Barnabas after he was killed by a mob in Cyprus around the year 62. St. Paul and St. Mark were, in turn, reconciled before St. Paul's martyrdom five years later. He is said to have been stoned to death in Salamis in the year 61. St. Luke described Barnabas as 'a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith' (Acts 6:24), and he was known for his exceptional kindness, personal sanctity and openness to pagans.

Polskie Duszpasterstwo w Parafii św. Bernarda i św. Stanisława Kostki



10 Niedziela Zwykła Rok B

Z listu św. Ignacego Antiocheńskiego, biskupa i męczennika, do Rzymian

Ignacy, nazywany również Teoforem, Kościołowi, który dostąpił miłosierdzia dzięki łaskowości Najwyższego Ojca i Jezusa Chrystusa, Jego Syna; Kościołowi umiłowanemu i oświeconemu wolą Tego, który swoim rozkazem powołał do istnienia wszystko dla wiary i miłości Jezusa Chrystusa, naszego Boga; Kościołowi, który zajmuje pierwsze miejsce, a znajduje się na obszarze Rzymu, godnemu Boga, godnemu czci, godnemu zwać się błogosławionym, godnemu chwały, urzeczywistnienia swych pragnień, godnemu z powodu czystości wiary; Kościołowi, który przewodniczy wspólnocie miłości, który posiadał prawo Chrystusa i naznaczony jest imieniem Ojca; temu Kościołowi przesyłam pozdrowienie w imię Jezusa Chrystusa, Syna Bożego. W Chrystusie Jezusie, naszym Bogu, życzę obfitej i nieskażonej radości tym wszystkim, którzy ciałem i duchem przyglęli do Bożych przykazań, którzy na sposób trwały napełnieni zostali łaską Boga, którzy zostali oczyszczeni od wszelkiej niegodziwości.

Ponieważ w swych modlitwach błagałem Boga, abym mógł ujrzeć wasze święte oblicza, i ponieważ byłem wytrwałym w błaganiu, spodziewam się, jeżeli wola Boża uzna mnie za godnego dojścia do celu, przynieść wam jako więź w Chrystusie Jezusie pozdrowienie. Początek był rzeczywiście dobry, byleby tylko bez przeszkód dostąpił łaski osiągnięcia swej części. Lękam się jednak, aby wasza miłość ku mnie nie stanęła mi na przeszkodzie, albowiem wam łatwo jest dokonać tego, co chcecie, mnie zaś bardzo trudno dojść do Boga, jeśli mi nie okażecie swej łaskowości.

Nie chcę, abyście podobali się ludziom, ale Bogu - jak to zresztą czynicie. Co do mnie, to już nigdy nie nadarzy mi się taka sposobność dojścia do Boga, ani też w swym milczeniu nie potraficie przyczynić się do wspanialszego dzieła. Jeśli bowiem zachowacie milczenie i nie będziecie za mną przemawiać, stanę się słowem Boga, jeśli jednak umiłujecie moje ziemskie życie, będę w

dalszym ciągu zwyczajnym głosem. Nie możecie oddać mi większej przysługi, jak ta, abym został złożony na ofiarę, skoro ołtarz stoi już przygotowany. Wy zaś zjednoczeni w miłości zaśpiewacie na chwałę Ojca w Jezusie Chrystusie, iż zechciał przyjąć biskupa Syrii, którego powołał ze Wschodu na Zachód. Dobra to rzecz odchodząc z tego świata dojść do Boga, aby w Nim powstać na nowo.

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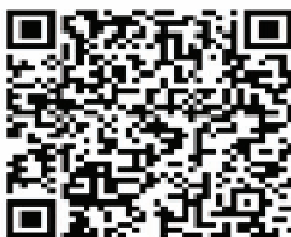
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ANNUAL ²⁰²⁴ APPEAL

The 2024 Annual Appeal has begun! Each year we are invited to participate in the Annual Appeal, which is an opportunity to support essential ministries and programs of our Archdiocese. Your sacrificial support makes it possible for us to carry out the important work that we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus. Please consider participating in this year's Appeal to help make a significant difference in many lives.

We already collected **\$23,537.00**

81% of our goal for the AA 2024 Thank you for all your donations.

Calendar of Events**SUNDAYS:****June 9...Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00AMMass in English

11:00AM...Mass in Polish

1:00PM.....Mass in English

June 16th...Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**Father's Day**

9:00AMMass in English

11:00AM...Mass in Polish

1:00PM.....Mass in English

THURSDAY June 13th

7:00PM...Choir Pot Luck Dinner

FRIDAY - June 7 (First Friday)

7:00PM...Mass (Polish)

SATURDAYS:

June, 8, 15, 22, 29

4:15...Confession

Collection for June 2

Online.....\$ 2,613

In Pew..... \$ 6,076

Total Collection for June 2\$ 8,689

Thank you for all your donations!!!

From Fr. Marcin's Desk**Dear Brothers & Sisters,**

Last Sunday we were joined by Bishop Elias for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation for 15 young people of our parish. It was a beautiful celebration, a moment of communion and hope for the future of the Church. I want to congratulate all those who were Confirmed and their families, and to thank all who were involved in the preparation of the event.

Today, the readings bring us back to the journey of Ordinary time. The book of Genesis reminds us about the original sin of Adam and Eve and of the consequences of that sin. All humanity experiences the separation from God and from each other, as well as the difficulty of labor and our ordinary life.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus's early ministry conflicts with those who think they know him. He teaches by telling stories through metaphors to get them thinking beyond what they think they know. Christ is forced to look beyond his biological family to do the will of his Father.

In faith, we are all mothers, brothers, sisters, fathers, siblings – all God's children. Doing God's will we are united in the body of Christ – the Church. In this journey of faith, Christ is asking you and me to put God above our family relations.

Fr. Marcin Fuks

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