11/17/24 Su 9:00 AM **33 Ordinary Sunday** † Laura Adamek - requested by David & Sandy Kost <sup>†</sup> Mildred Kotulsky – requested by Dave & Debbie Puskaric 11/21/24 Th 10:00 AM Solemnity – Presentation of the BVM <sup>†</sup> Joan Kotulsky – requested by Kathy & Bob Maurer 10:00 AM Solemnity – Christ the King 11/24/24 Su <sup>†</sup> Bonnie Zaucha - requested by Mike & Mary John <sup>†</sup> Marla Chichwak – requested by Bob & Jan Yonek <sup>†</sup> Marilyn Detwiler – requested by Fr. Mariusz & Family 11/27/24 Su 7:00 PM Mass before Thanksgiving OPEN 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 12/1/24 Su 10:00 AM <sup>†</sup> Joan Kotulsky – requested by Linda Polen <sup>†</sup> Lepha Davis (30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death) - requested by Shawn & Val Davis 12/8/24 Su 10:00 AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent † Raymond Kostovny - requested by Dolores Zoretich Solemnity – Conception of the BVM 12/9/24 Mo 10:00 AM † Raymond Kostovny - requested by Dolores Zoretich 12/15/24 Su 10:00 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent OPEN 12/22/24 Su 10:00 AM 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent OPEN 12/24/24 Tu 10:00 PM **Shepherd Mass (Pasterka)** For All Parishioners 12/25/24 We 10:00 AM Solemnity – Nativity of our Lord For All Parishioners 12/26/24 Th 10:00 AM Feast - St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr OPEN 12/27/24 Fr 10:00 AM Feast - St. John, Apostle & Evangelist Mass with the blessing of wine (BYO Bottle for blessing) 12/28/24 St **Solemnity – Holy Family** 10:00 AM For All Parishioners of the Holy Family Parish 12/29/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Humble Shepherds OPEN 1/1/25 We 10:00 AM Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord OPEN 1/2/24 Th 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus **OPEN** 1/5/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity - Epiphany of our Lord OPEN 1/12/25 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity - Baptism of our Lord OPEN 1/19/24 Su 10:00 AM 2 Ordinary Sunday OPEN 1/26/24 Su 10:00 AM **3 Ordinary Sunday** OPEN 2/2/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity - Presentation of our Lord **OPEN** 



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# 31<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024



Change of address or phone number, for parish registration, hospital visitations and sacramental needs, baptism and wedding arrangements (six months in advance), please contact the Parish Office by calling 412.678.0566.

Bulletin announcements should be received by Wednesday for Sunday publication.

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# **OPENING HYMN**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling – Ritual Song #743 (verses 1 & 3)

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN** (Psalm 119:151-152, 159)

C. You, O Lord, are near and all Your commands are permanent. Of old I know from Your decrees, that You have established them forever.

R. See how I love Your precepts, O Lord; in Your kindness give me life. C. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

#### DT 6:2-6

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "Fear the LORD, your God, and keep, throughout the days of your lives, all his statutes and commandments which I enjoin on you, and thus have long life. Hear then, Israel, and be careful to observe them, that you may grow and prosper the more, in keeping with the promise of the LORD, the God of your fathers, to give you a land flowing with milk and honey. "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Take to heart these words which I enjoin on you today." The Word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

PS 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

# R. I love you, Lord, my strength. I love you, O LORD, my strength, O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer. R. I love you, Lord, my strength. My God, my rock of refuge, my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold! Praised be the LORD, I exclaim. and I am safe from my enemies. R. I love you, Lord, my strength. The LORD lives! And blessed be my rock! Extolled be God my savior. You who gave great victories to your king and showed kindness to your anointed. R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

#### SECOND READING

HEB 7:23-28

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Brothers and sisters: The levitical priests were many because they were prevented by death from remaining in office, but Jesus, because he remains



# **PROJECT BUNDLE UP**

Holy Family YMS of R will be collecting monetary donations (cash or checks) to support WTAE Project Bundle Up. Please make checks payable to the YMS of R Holy Family Parish. Last day for donations Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>. Your support will be greatly appreciated to those in need.

# **ANGEL TREE**

Have a child be blessed with joy this Christmas. We will be participating with the Salvation Army (coordinator Rosemary Pociask) and The Center for Victims (coordinator Ashley Griffiths). We ask that gifts be unwrapped, and Angel attached. Last day for donations Sunday December 1st. Your gift for a child is greatly appreciated.



# WIGILIA – CHIRSTMAS DINNER

Please make reservations for our Christmas Dinner on Saturday, December 14, 2024. Cut off date – December 8<sup>th</sup>. More details soon.

#### LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 3, 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Sunday 10:00 AM - Holy Mass † Edwin Stahurski (25th Anniversary of Death) - requested by Daughters and their Families † Laura Adamek - requested by Martha Krusienski Monday, October 28, 2024 – Weekday Tuesday, October 29, 2024 – Weekday Wednesday, October 30, 2024 – Weekday Thursday, October 31, 2024 – Weekday Friday, November 1, 2024 – Weekday Saturday, November 2, 2024 – Weekday Sunday, November 3, 2024 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Sunday / Healing Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick

#### 10:00 AM - Holy Mass

<sup>†</sup> Julia Rucinski (21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Death) requested by Allen, Wanda & Kristen Korenoski For All Veterans





# **BREAKFAST BEFORE THE MEETING**

A complimentary hot breakfast will be served prior to the Annual Congregational Meeting on **Sunday**, **November 17**. Please sign the sheet located in the narthex if you will be attending. Come join us and be a part of your democratic voice of the Polish National Catholic Church!

#### HEALING MASS

Healing Mass will be offered in the intention of our sick and elderly Parishioners and their families on **Sunday, November 10, at 10:00 AM**.

It is the Eucharist merged with the Sacrament of the Sick. Right after Mass, after the final blessing, everyone who desires it will be Anointed with the Oil of the Sick (O.I. – Oleum Infirmorum). The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow, short adoration and individual Benediction to each anointed person.

Sacrament of the Sick is repeatable, and you can ask for it as many times as you wish. It can be given privately or within Mass.



#### VANDALISM

Last week someone drove over the path lights in front of our church. One light needed a replacement, some others just fixing and reinforcing with the new concrete.

Thank you, Lenny Guy, for ordering and donating the light. Thank you, Tom Popovic, for fixing them. forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore, he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them. It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. He has no need, as did the high priests, to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints men subject to weakness to be high priests, but the word of the oath, which was taken after the law, appoints a son, who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord.

#### ALLELUIA

#### JN 14:23

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my father will love him and we will come to him.

# GOSPEL

#### MK 12:28B-34

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark.

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: *Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.* 

The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these."

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.' And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And no one dared to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

Where Charity and Love Prevail – Ritual Song #747 (verses 1, 2 & 3)

#### PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pełka, Bronisław Korus, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Jeff McBride, Carol Davelli, Helene Tylor, Richard Tomkovitz, Meredith Straw, Colleen Kortz, Lori Tomko, Charles Koczera, Marlene Koczera, John Razukiewicz, Jane Contrella, Vicki Griffiths, Kiersten Donahoe, Rose Marie Korch, Renata Woś, Roberta Wagner, Lucas Etzel,



Kellie Gates, Bishop John Mack, Bishop Paul Sobiechowski, Nate Lennon, Luca Milbower, Karyn Muse, Joyce Haber, Blair Lloyd, Justice Coddington, Martin Carney, Kathy Guy, Veronica Campbell, Cindy Puchka, Wendy Blotzer, Gail Coddington, Angela Mayfield, Gladys Bacco.

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Father Mariusz will visit them with the Holy Communion.

#### FAITH SHARING

The central message of today's readings is the most fundamental principle of all religions, especially Christianity. It is to love God in Himself and living in others. Scripture readings for today remind us that we are created to love God by loving others and to love others as an expression of our love for God.

<u>The first reading</u> presents Moses explaining the Law to the Israelites after his return from Mount Sinai. He tries to make the people reverence and obey the Law given by God as something that will bring them dignity, purpose, stature, distinction, and a unique place in history.

<u>The second reading</u> speaks of some Jewish converts to Christianity who missed the comforting institutions they had enjoyed in Judaism. The author of Hebrews tries to explain to them how much greater are the benefits they receive as Christians.

In today's <u>Gospel</u>, a Scribe asks Jesus to summarize the most important of the Mosaic Laws in one sentence. Jesus cites the first sentence of the Jewish *Shema* prayer. Thus, Jesus says, true religion is loving God and loving our fellow human beings at the same time. It is by showing genuine, active love for our neighbors that we can demonstrate that we really love God.

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# LIFE MESSAGE

How do we love God? If I am going to love God with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, then I am going to have to place His will ahead of mine, and to ask Him for help when I have to say no to some things that I might want to do. I am also going to have to seek the Lord's will and make it paramount in my life. We love our neighbor by helping, supporting, encouraging, forgiving, and praying for everyone, without discrimination.

# YMSofR FUNDRAISER – Winner is...

The winner of the YMSofR lottery is Wayne Gdovic from Jefferson Hills. Congratulations! Thank you all who supported YMSofR!

# USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

11/03/2024	Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence
11/10/2024	Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski
11/17/2024	Bill Griffiths, Rich DeLong
11/24/2024	Don Newcomp George Johes

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# **LED OUTDOOR SIGNAGE - UPDATE**



The digital LED signage fundraiser has almost reached the point. However, after consulting with two local Pittsburgh signs companies, I am more concern about the quality of those products offered cheaper online versus those sold and

maintained under warranty by local professionals. The resolution is a first key word, and the warranty – second. After inspection, because in our case and location, the board is facing west (very bright light and heat issues), there is required better quality, newer generation LED. It is more expensive, but lasts longer, it is 100% weatherproof and more energy efficient. Therefore, let us keep collecting more funds for this project instead of regrating later. Thank you, all donors. If someone would like to help in this project, please contact pastor at **412.678.0566** (office) or **412.330.8286** (cell).

**CLASSES BEFORE THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** Wednesdays at 6:00 PM.

# WANTED FINANCIAL SECRETARY

At our upcoming Congregational Meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>, we will need to elect a Financial Secretary. After 38 years, Terry Kleckner is retiring and will not accept any nomination for reelection. We must, therefore, seek a parishioner willing to accept nomination to this very important



position in our Parish. May the Lord guide you to consider your participation in our Parish's administration.

# LAJKONIKI DANCE PRACTICE

Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 P.M.



#### LAJKONIKI WILL BE PERFORMING IN OAKLAND

Lajkoniki are going to dance at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Polishfest at Pitt Cathedral of Learning on Sunday, November 10, 12PM – 4PM. Lajkoniki Dancers 3:00PM. Free admission.