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Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

A Sabbath Thought

Jesus Christ is the great Lord who can command storms and control the wind. His power over natural elements is a sign of how his love triumphs over the evil that attacks our bodies and spirits.

About Today's Bible Readings

JOB 38:1, 8-11

The book of Job is an ancient novel that dramatically depicts the human condition. The universe in which we live shadows forth the creator to whom we owe our lives.

Responsorial Psalm:
107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29,
30-31

**R: Give thanks to the Lord,
his love is everlasting.**

2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-17

Paul proclaims the conviction that motivates all he says and does: Christ died for all that all might live for him.

MARK 4:35-41

A storm at sea provides the occasion for a manifestation of Jesus' power and a tantalizing revelation of his identity.

ENTRANCE RITE: Psalm 46:2-4a

V. God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress. Therefore, we fear not, though the earth be shaken and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam.

R. For He is the living God, enduring forever; His kingdom shall not be destroyed, and His dominion shall be without end.

V. 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.

ALLELUIA: Mark 6:4b

V. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. When you pass through the water, I will be with you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

On that day, as evening drew on, Jesus said to his disciples: "Let us cross to the other side." Leaving the crowd, they took Jesus with them in the boat just as he was. And other boats were with him. A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Worship Services

Today – June 23rd

12th Sunday - Ordinary Time

8:00 AM – Holy Mass

9:30 AM – Holy Mass

Intentions for the repose of the souls of Beverly Rush Wunderlich offered by Fr. Sr. Donald and Danielle. And Anthony Rocchino offered by Kenneth Borah.

Sunday – June 30th

13th Sunday - Ordinary Time

Intentions for the repose of the soul of Sam Chavez offered by Fr. Sr. Donald.

8:00 AM – Holy Mass

9:30 AM – Holy Mass

Sunday – July 7th

14th Sunday - Ordinary Time

8:00 AM – Holy Mass

9:30 AM – Holy Mass

Sunday – July 14th

15th Sunday - Ordinary Time

8:00 AM – Holy Mass

9:30 AM – Holy Mass

Sunday – July 21st

16th Sunday - Ordinary Time

8:00 AM – Holy Mass

9:30 AM – Holy Mass

VOCATIONS MONTH

June is set aside by the Church as Vocations Month. Please pray that the Lord will send more men to serve as priests and deacons in His Holy Polish National Catholic Church.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and donuts will continue to be available in the Fellowship Hall after each Mass until the end of June, pausing for July and August.

INTENTIONS:

My Brothers and Sisters:

Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, our families and friends, especially Debra Caldwell, Dan Shaner, Sharon Fitzwater, Isabella Mularczyk, Edward Czechowski, Patrice Czechowski, Donna Schalata, Tom Schalata, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Geri Piotrowski, Janet Katinowsky, Julia Urban, Sandy Pfennig, Janice Elaine Casperson, Elizabeth McAlanis, Barbara Waszk, Jackie Weinhold, Jane and John Aldershoff, Father Senior Ed Ratajack, Eileen McCoury, Alexis, Matthew and Kristy Samsel, Janet Kelly, Laura Alfano, Scott Gaydos, Donald Barth, Kenneth Cerminara, John Freeman, Sr., Bob Price, Eleanor Kaczmarczyk, Mary Ann Bezek, Eric Meck, Darryl Weinhold, Scott Kallish, Damon Grossman, Joseph Grossman, Jr., Corby Beck, Tom Beck, Skye Sadowski, Jeannine Dresh, Violet Hart, Nancy Ziolkowski, John Bennett, Alicia Bennett, David and Judy Wunderlich, Tammy Bolich, Berne Bloom, Marilyn Seiders, Larry Bagenstose, Peggy Smith and family, Chi Koch, Vicki Shoemaker, William Kutenits, Todd Shaffer, Cristin Burke, Kelly Wylezik Shawn Siedel, Father Carmen Bolock, Christine Mulutzie, James Horning, Frederick Smith, David Metzger, Amber Irving, Paul Edling and Natalie Frankfort. **Our Father...**

If there are any changes to this list, please let Fr. Sr. Donald know!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 7th; Deadline for donations to the Ukrainian Relief Fund. Please see the Monthly Newsletter for further details.

Sunday, July 14th; The Picnic Committee will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00 AM.

Wednesday, July 17th; The Book Club will meet in the Library at 7:00 PM. The new book will be "Jesus Behaving Badly" by Mark L. Strauss.

If there are any other events not listed here, please let Fr. Sr. Donald know!

UPCOMING SUMMER PNCC EVENTS

Kurs Youth Encampment, held at Spojnia Retreat Center, July 4 – 13, 2024. Open to all Youth 8 – 17 years of age. The Opening Day Ceremonies will include Holy Mass celebrated by Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky. Mass has been celebrated at the Retreat Center every year for the past ninety four years. This will be the ninety fifth anniversary of this celebration. Refreshments will be served following Mass and everyone is invited to attend and to view the recent renovations that have been made to the Retreat Center especially the Dining Hall.

Youth Convocation (CONVO), held at Mercyhurst University, Erie, PA, July 22 -26, 2024. Open to youth and young adults 13 – 27 years of age.

Substantial subsidies are available to Central Diocese members for all of these events through the Enlivenment Program. Please contact Fr. Sr. Donald for more information.

YMS of R GOLF TOURNAMENT

The YMS of R will be holding its 10th Annual Golf Tournament on August 24, 2024. Hosted by the Buffalo Branch of the Young Men's Society of the Resurrection. The location will be Kis n' Greens Golf Course, 13822 North Road, Alden, New York. Please see the flyer on the table in the vestibule and contact Father Senior Donald for more information.

PICNIC MAILING

You either have received or will be receiving a mailing with raffle tickets for the Annual Picnic. Please return the sold or unsold tickets in the enclosed postage paid envelope as soon as possible. **Also, please complete the questionnaire and return it as well, especially your T-shirt size if you are planning to help by working the day of the picnic as the shirts will be labeled "PICNIC STAFF" to let the attendees know who you are.**