

**Jesus endured the cross,
despising its shame,
and has taken his seat
at the right of the throne of God.**

HEBREWS 12:2

**Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
AUGUST 18, 2019**

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ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA
A CATHOLIC PARISH FAMILY - PALATINE, IL

Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am
1:30pm (*Polish*)
Weekday 6:30am (*Communion Service*)
8:00am (*Including Saturday*)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:30am—9:30am

NEW PARISHIONERS: All are welcome!
Stop by the Parish Office to register and learn more about our Parish.

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class preferably before the baby is born to avoid babysitting concerns. Baptisms are celebrated on most Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Call the Parish Office for more information. *Upcoming Baptism Prep Class: Aug 19, Sep 3 & Sep 23*

MARRIAGE: Arrangements for the celebration of marriage should be made at least six (6) months prior to your planned wedding date. Call Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith but wish to become Catholic or who were baptized Catholics but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more info. Brochures available in the Gathering Area kiosk.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND: Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Tom Dunne for information.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Call the Parish Office to add your name to the sick list. Due to patient privacy (HIPAA Law,) only the ailing person, or in case of their incapacitation, the person delegated for the medical care, can add their name to the sick list.

PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL: Call the Parish Office to add a name of someone serving in the military, so our faith community can pray for their safety and service.

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Dear friends:

Gospel meditation:

Such strong words from the Gospel for this Sunday. Jesus tells His listeners that He came to bring division among the people, that He came to set the earth on fire and people against each other. I always wondered why Jesus, the perfect Love, Son of God, who loves us and cares for us, could say such things. Why would He cause among us divisions and war instead of that perfect peace we pray for all the time?

But if you think about all this more deeply, and reflect on Jesus' words from this Sunday's gospel, and then look at our broken world, you can clearly see that the Love of Christ, and His concern for each one of us and His peaceful approach to life, always caused division among people and always will. From the beginning, when Jesus came to this earth, some people would believe in His words and follow Him and some just couldn't. They even hated Jesus, hated His disciples and were always looking for an opportunity to put them to death. Yes, Jesus is Love and He is the Son of God, but do we all believe in this?



*"I have come to set the earth on fire." - Luke 12:49
Image by Fr. Kris Janczak*

We wonder why so much evil and hatred pervades this world, why people hate each other, why they cause harm to others, like we read about recently in the newspapers everyday or see on the TV. Why are there so many divisions in our world? Think about it: if EVERYONE would follow Jesus and His teachings, then this world would be a perfect place of peace and love, but this is simply impossible. That is what Jesus is trying to tell His disciples and warn them about. And in the same manner, He tells us: My Friend, you have a choice, a free will, I can't force you to believe in Me, nor to follow Me, but if you do, don't be surprised that some people may exclude you, may make fun of you, ridicule you or even hate you! That's the way it is. Jesus' disciples gave their lives for Him and not only that, but they were hated and persecuted too. It may happen to all of us sometimes. Most likely we won't be put to death because of our beliefs but we may be ridiculed by others or rejected because of our faith in Christ.

It is never God's plan to divide us, but because some can't accept His teachings the world ends up divided anyway. Let us continue to pray for the peace of our world.

Upcoming event:

I want to invite each one of you to participate in my official installation as a Pastor of St. Thomas of Villanova Parish. My installation by Bishop Alberto Rojas will take place on October 19 (Saturday) at the 5:00 P.M. Mass. A reception will follow. I want to invite all of our Parishioners, school families, teachers and staff, our Parish groups, boards and councils to pray together and then to join me for a little social with food and drinks. The liturgy will be mingled with some prayers and readings in the Polish language, as I would like to have just one celebration for us all -- the Parishioners of STOV. In the end, remember, we are all one big family.

Hope to see you there.

Fr. Kris

Parish Events

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 18

8:30am	School Volunteer Signup	MRA
9:00am	REC Catechist Open House	RE
9:40am	Children's Liturgy	MRD
7:00pm	Polish Volleyball	RAC

Monday, August 19

2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
7:00pm	ASP Planning Meeting	MRB

Tuesday, August 20

1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry	MRB
2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
6:30pm	Virtus Training	MRA
7:00pm	Polish Choir Rehearsal	Church

Wednesday, August 21

2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
4:00pm	VOICES Drop-In	TR, RAC
6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:30pm	A&E Planning Meeting	MRB
7:00pm	Women's Club Steering Committee Meeting	MRA
8:00pm	A.A. (Closed Meeting)	MR4

Thursday, August 22

2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
7:00pm	Usher Meeting	MRA

Friday, August 23

No Activities

Saturday, August 24

9:00am	Morning Bible Study	MRC
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Sunday, August 25

9:40am	Children's Liturgy	MRD
7:00pm	Polish Volleyball	RAC

Friendly reminder:

Please return your missal after Mass.

These missals are used each day during the month for Mass by everyone. To ensure we have enough throughout the month, we kindly ask you to return your missal when Mass is over. THANK YOU!

TODAY

- **REC CATECHIST OPEN HOUSE** 9:00am—2:00pm in the REC Office

UPCOMING

- **VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION** Tuesday, August 20 at 6:30pm in MRA. This one-time training class called "Protecting God's Children" is mandated for all STV volunteers who will be supervising children, youth or vulnerable adults. Please register at: www.virtusonline.org. For more information, call the Parish Office or email compliance@stov.org.
- **ART & ENVIRONMENT MEETING** Wednesday, August 21 (Page 5)
- **USHER MEETING** Thursday, August 22 (Page 5)
- **PARISH HOSPITALITY WEEKEND** August 24 / 25 (See below)
- **GOLDEN VILLANOVANS** Wednesday, August 28 at 1pm. Group Lunch at Red Apple—2121 Plum Grove Rd, Rolling Meadows. Call the Parish Office for contact information.
- **VOICES YOUTH GROUP—KICK-OFF** Sunday, September 1 (Page 5)

Hospitality Weekend

NEXT WEEKEND: August 24 / 25



Plan to spend some time after Mass next weekend and join us in the Gathering Area for hospitality. There will be snacks and juice after 5:00pm Mass on Saturday and coffee and donuts after the Masses on Sunday. Take some time to catch up with other members of our Parish Family. There may even be a few surprises! See you in Church!

FIRST COMMUNION PREP

Did you know that 1st Communion Preparation begins in 1st Grade? If you didn't, don't worry you are not alone!

If you or someone you know has a child going into 1st Grade be sure to sign up for Sacramental Preparation with our Religious Education Program. Groups meet on Sunday Mornings at 9:15am beginning September 8th. Space is limited so don't wait. Visit stvrec.org for more details or stop by the Parish Office to pick up a registration form.



ART & ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY

Do you like the décor in our worship space? Do you have a knack for making things look nice? Do you enjoy tending plants and flowers? Or do you just like to pitch in wherever you can?



Our Art & Environment Committee gratefully invites you to our annual INFORMATION AND PLANNING SESSION. This is your chance to meet the team and take stock of what we will be doing over the next year.

Wednesday, August 21 from 6:30 – 8:00pm, Meeting Room B

PLEASE BRING A FRIEND...we can always use more volunteers. We are especially in need of a bit of muscle for moving ladders and heavy objects.

USHER MEETING

There will be an usher meeting on Thursday, August 22 at 7:00pm in Meeting Room A. This meeting is for all current ushers and any Parishioner that is interested in joining our Usher Team. Come and be part of this important Ministry.

MARRIED IN 1969?

Join the Archdiocese of Chicago to celebrate 50 years of marriage at the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass! Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on Sunday, **September 8, 2019** at 2:45pm. The Mass will be held at St. John Brebeuf in Niles, IL.



To register, visit bit.ly/goldenwedding.chicago.

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS VOICES Youth Ministry

BIG KICK-OFF EVENT

BOOT CAMP

**Sunday, September 1st
7:00pm—9:30pm
Rowley Activity Center
(Gym)**

Music—Games—Food
Discussion—Fun!
Bring a friend or two!
www.stvoices.org or email
Jeff at jeff@stvoices.org



WE WANT YOU TO COME!

Our Parish Family Seminarian



On Tuesday, I will complete my summer intensive chaplaincy program at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. The other chaplain interns that I learned with and from, are seminarians for the Lutheran (ELCA), Korean Methodist, and Episcopalian traditions. I am the youngest chaplain, and the only Catholic in the program. This program included 12 hour weekend on call shifts, covering the entire hospital, in which we would respond to every death, every trauma, stroke, heart attack and patient request. Each chaplain also chose a unit in the hospital to focus on with daily visits. I chose the Oncology Unit, where I met some of the bravest and strongest people in my life. I have also walked in the dark valley of death with some people who have become my friend very quickly. I pray they are now enjoying their reward.

Over the 11 weeks of hospital chaplaincy, three aspects have become much more clearer to me. The first is that death has no favorites. I have witnessed the deaths of patients ranging from 99 years old to just 6 years old. I was privileged to pray with patients and their large families, and humbled to pray with patients who have no family. I have comforted families who were expecting the death of their loved one, as well as families shocked by the sudden death of their loved one. Regardless of expected or sudden, may we treat those we love with affection always, because we do not know when the last time we will say “I love you” to each other. Death is our friend and should not be feared, because she leads us into eternal life.

The second aspect is that no matter who you are outside of the hospital, in the hospital room, everyone is human, everyone has hopes and fears, everyone wants to be made well. It doesn't matter how much money you have accumulated or how many friends come to visit or what position you hold, everyone is human in the hospital, and everyone has hopes and fears, dreams and regrets. Every patient, at the end of the day, after their meds are given, the tests conclude, the doctors stop visiting and the nurses stop checking in, are human, and simply want another human to be with them in these moments of fear, pain and uncertainty.

The third aspect is that in the hospital, the desire for the Sacraments of Confession, of Eucharist, and of Anointing of the Sick are deeply sought after. Though Lutheran General has a Catholic priest on staff Monday through Friday, other hospitals are not so lucky. As a priest, my hope is to make it a point to visit the local hospital and care for those seeking the healing hand of God in these Sacraments.

I return to Mundelein this weekend to embark on my third year of theology. This is a very significant year in formation for my classmates and I. In January, we begin our 10-week pilgrimage in the Holy Land, walking the footsteps of our Lord and praying at many significant places in his life journey. And in May, I will, God-willing, be ordained to the transitional diaconate by Cardinal Cupich at Holy Name Cathedral. Please continue to pray for me and my classmates, and all seminarians across the country as we return to our seminaries for another year of growth and deepening desire in our vocation to serve the Lord and His people. Be assured of my prayers for you and those you hold in your heart.

If you would like to contact me for any reason, my email is amatijevic@usml.edu and if you prefer snail mail (which I love), my mailing address is:

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In Christ the Divine Physician,
Seminarian Andy Matijevic





Q: What has 670 legs, 17 activities, and ONE goal?
A: All the STV friends who attended programs sponsored in 2018-19 by our Faith Formation Team to more deeply encounter Jesus Christ!! THANKS to all who brought this to life!!

**Come As You Are
(Small Faith-Sharing Groups)**

"Spiritually lifting, very meditative"



Holy Yoga

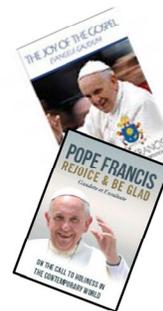
"We see new people who love it & ask for more!"

STV Scripture Study Series



"So good – feeds soul & brain!"

**Pope Francis
Apostolic Letter Studies**



"Perfect balance between lecture and break-out groups"

"Enjoyed group sharing, variety of materials used"

**Lord, Teach Us To Pray
(Ignatian Prayer & Spirituality)**

"Life changing!"

"The music was touching... scripture spoke to my heart"



We invite you to join our vibrant and growing ministry team – focusing on Faith Formation, Evangelization, & Discipleship! Contact Deacon Mark Duffey 847-358-2110

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

STV School is looking for volunteers to help out with school activities and fundraisers. We have many opportunities for school families and Parishioners to volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Family School Association chair, Melanie DeLorenzo at the school 847-358-2110 for more information.

AUGUST 2019 LOTTERY WINNERS

Congratulations to our August 2019 School Lottery Winners!

- \$25: Gonzalo Nava
– Sold by Maria Nava
- \$25: Jill Hamilton
– Sold by Sam Hamilton
- \$50: Scianna Family
– Sold by the Scianna Family
- \$50: Chudy Family
– Sold by the Chudy Family
- \$100: Maria Scaravalle
– Sold by Giovanni Towbridge
- \$200: Miguel Marales
– Sold by Aria Almaza

Thanks to all the STV School Lottery supporters. Good luck next month!



FOSTOV'S FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendar for our **FOSTOV'S Bears Football Fundraiser—Sunday, October 6** at Durty Nellies in Palatine. And Jim Cornelison is back to sing the National Anthem! If you wish to donate an auction or raffle item like sports tickets, theatre tickets, or women's gifts, please contact John Hake at the school for more info.

From the Principal's Desk



Welcome back! We are off to a wonderful and fresh start. Wednesday morning we had our "Meet and Mingle" for our parents and students. Everyone enjoyed the donuts on our donut board while catching up with old friends and meeting new ones. What a great way to start the year. Thank you to FOSTOV'S, who funded the entire "Meet and Mingle." You are appreciated.

Welcome Fr. Kris! We are so motivated with your presence and positive energy toward the school. We look forward to seeing you visiting our classrooms.

We have three new teachers at St. Thomas.

- **Sue Gottschalk** will fulfill two roles. She will be our **Spanish Teacher and our Librarian**. Sue will remain in close contact with Mrs. McNally to ensure a smooth transition with the Follett Destiny System. Sue is an experienced Spanish teacher, creating fun, engaging lesson plans. She will be full-time, so stop in to introduce yourself.
- **Fran Litchfield** is a familiar face at St. Thomas. We are so blessed to have her as the **Junior High Math Coordinator**. She will work with the 6th through 8th graders.
- **Val Zemko** is the **Third Grade Maternity Leave Substitute Teacher**. Her wealth of experience, positive outlook, and endless patience will enhance the third grade classroom until Mrs. Secedi returns. By the way, Mrs. Secedi had a baby girl, Laurel Eve. Both mom and Laurel are doing great.

Besides the new teachers, wait until you see all the new upgrades in the school! Thank you FOSTOV'S for:

- ◆ the new Health Curriculum for K-8th
- ◆ the new couch in 3rd grade
- ◆ carpet and new colorful stools in Kindergarten
- ◆ new beakers and chair for the Science Lab
- ◆ drums and instruments for Music class
- ◆ new backdrop for our Fine Arts Department
- ◆ new sound and light system (TBD)

And thank you to Apostrophe Design for donating the new carpet in the front office and the library!

We reached our enrollment goal. This is due to the passion the staff and families have for the school, and the belief that STV provides the Catholic foundation and academic excellence imperative for children growing up in today's society. We are continuing to add new students to school!

God bless,
Mary Brinkman

2019 FISCAL YEAR SUNDAY SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Date	Weekend Collection	On-Line Giving	Weekly Total	Over / Under Budget: \$21,400.00
Aug 4	\$ 20,171.01	\$ 3,213.00	\$ 23,384.01	\$ 1,984.01
Aug 11	\$ 14,203.58	\$ 1,933.00	\$16,136.58	<i>(\$ 5,263.42)</i>
Aug 18				
Aug 25				

YTD Totals	
YTD Budget	\$ 128,400.00
YTD Actual	\$ 114,165.45
Over / (Under)	<i>(\$ 14,234.55)</i>

THANK YOU!



SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

Thank you for your donation to our Second Collection today to support our 19th year of serving the poor in Appalachia. Your generosity has helped us do much more on our mission trips than we would otherwise be able to do. **Forgot your envelope?** Donations will graciously be accepted until Friday, Sept. 27.



SWING AND A PRAYER GOLF OUTING
Monday, September 9, 2019
The Club at Wynstone, North Barrington, IL

150 years ago, the Little Sisters of the Poor arrived in the U.S. to care for the elderly poor. With your help, we hope to continue our mission for the next 150 years! The money raised from a 'Swing and a Prayer' will help us to provide a loving Home with quality to our Residents at St. Joseph's Home.

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ST. ANGELA SCHOOL CENTENNIAL YEAR

St. Angela School, founded in 1920, will launch its Centennial year in a big way on **Sunday, September 8** with a Mass in the gym with celebrant Msgr. Kenneth Velo! Join us for a 9:00am Open House, 10:00am Liturgy and 11:00am reception in the new south garden.

For more information visit www.saintangela.org or on Facebook @saintangelaschool.



Ministries

UPCOMING TRAININGS

NEW MINISTERS OF CARE TRAINING

A Minister of Care is commissioned to visit and/or take the Eucharist to residents of nursing homes, the hospitalized and to the homebound. The two-day training must be completed prior to serving as a minister.

- **Date:** Saturdays—September 21 **AND** September 28
- **Place:** St. John the Evangelist Parish Center— 502 S Park Blvd, Streamwood
- **Time:** Gathering at 8:30am; Class at 9am to 3pm
- **Note:** Bring your own lunch. Coffee and water provided.

Questions? Deacon Joe Yannotta at JYANNOTTA@STE.ORG or DYANNOTTA@COMCAST.NET or Deacon Tom Dunne 847-358-6999.

Save-the-date

NEW LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- **Date:** Saturday—October 19
- **Place:** Queen of Rosary, 750 W Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove Village
- **Time:** Check-in at 8:30am; Class at 9am to noon
- **Register/ info:** www.vic1chicago.org

ON IMITATING THE CHRIST, AND KEEPING THE FLAME ALIVE

As disciples, we are called to imitate the Christ. OK. But Jesus is God, and we are not, so how far can the imitation go? In today's Gospel, Jesus begins by saying to his disciples, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished." What exactly is the "baptism" Jesus is talking about here? Well, my Book has footnotes, and here's what it says: "Baptism, i.e., his death." See? There you go. Jesus came to save the world. Literally. So like I said, how far can the imitation go?

The author of Hebrews in today's second reading hints at this. "...Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus..." This doesn't sound bad, but wait for it: "For the sake of the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God." There you go again: he's God, and we're not. But the author puts it on us anyway. "Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood."

Understood. I don't know about you, but no one has spilled any of my blood because of my emulation of the Christ. I know, though, some have died for claiming Jesus as Lord, and not in the distant long ago. Most of us take religious freedom for granted, but we should take *no* freedom lightly. To this point, my wife and I

went to *Hamilton: The Exhibition*, open through August on Northerly Island. As the *Chicago Tribune* blurb on the event's website puts it, "Inventive, painstakingly detailed, and visually imaginative, *Hamilton: The Exhibition* is executed at the highest levels of art and craft." Beyond the raps and ballads of the musical, it gives additional insight into the founding of our nation.

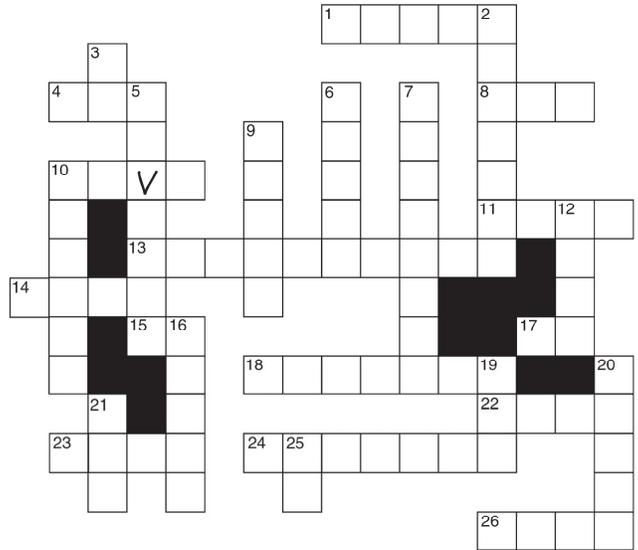
At the end of the experience, people were invited to share their thoughts on sticky-notes. Per one of the prompts, "What would you improve about America?" Here are the responses posted that day: "Equal and free healthcare and education for all," "Acceptance & inclusion," "No more war. Peace," "Legalize abortion, and women's rights," "Love conquers all," "Peace, humility, respect, love for humanity," "Common sense gun laws, RIP...those lost in Dayton, El Paso (and Gilroy)," "Stop encouraging white supremacy," and "Make sure all people have food, homes, respect, & love." It's funny. Christ's baptism of nails was millenniums ago, and we're still trying to figure it out. And the balance of today's Gospel is hard. "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on earth"? Jesus asks (well...yeah...kind of). "No," he goes on, "...but rather division. From now on, a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." Probably because what seems so *right* to some, seems so *wrong* to others. I guess all we can do is remember the fire Jesus said he came to ignite, and--by imitating him as best we humanly can--keep the flame alive.

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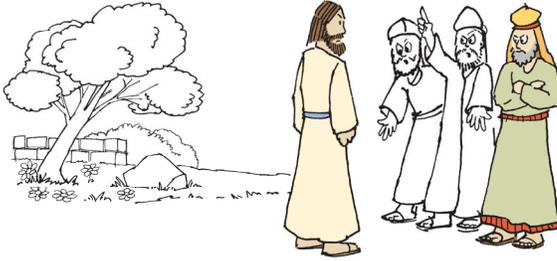
Jesus said His words would make some people angry at those who followed Him.

To find more of what Jesus said, fit these words into the crossword puzzle. Then transfer them to the numbered lines.

on	how	have	kindled
do	wish	peace	against
be	come	think	undergo
no	five	other	divided
two	each	earth	division
and	came	three	distressed
now	fire	family	



August 18, 2019 • Luke 12:49-53



“ I 26) _____ 23) _____ to bring 14) _____ on the 9) _____, 4) _____ how I 22) _____ it were already 2) _____! But I have a baptism to 24) _____, and 21) _____ 13) _____ I am until it is completed! 15) _____ you 1) _____ I 12) _____ to bring 6) _____ on 9) _____? 25) _____, I tell you, but 7) _____. From 8) _____ 3) _____ there will 17) _____ 10A) _____ in one 10D) _____ 5) _____ 18) _____ 11) _____ 16) _____, 20) _____ against 19) _____ and two against 20) _____.”

LITURGY SCHEDULE for AUGUST 24 / 25

	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:30 AM	SUNDAY 11:15 AM	SUNDAY 1:30 PM
PRESIDER	Fr. Kris Janczak	Msgr. John Canary	Fr. Kris Janczak	Fr. Kris Janczak	Fr. Kris Janczak
DEACON	Deacon Mark Duffey	Deacon John Breit		Deacon Len Marturano	
HOMILIST	Fr. Kris Janczak	Msgr. John Canary	Fr. Kris Janczak	Fr. Kris Janczak	Fr. Kris Janczak
LECTORS	Lee Fialek Ellen Frech	Bill Pocklington Bonnie Fennig	Jackie Nogle Tom Dalton	Conrad Bertz Greg Crider	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ann Duffey Louis Akins Larry Coco Marian DeGroot Dan Dunne Jim Dunne Peggy Jablonski Helen Janicki Mike Kanis Peggy King	Donna Breit Tom Nicholas Mark Orr Carole Parsons Mila Quiaoit Sarah Rauon Gay Sladky Bob Slanicky Lori Smithe Rita Snyder	Roswitha Kist Paula Logsdon Steve Lundell Andrew Nalywajko Theresa Narantic Cathy Noles Kate O'Connell Kathy Schappert Randy Schappert	Marilyn Marturano Sandy Peterson Howard Pettinger Karen Barrett Brodie Bertrand Donna Casey Bob Haas Lynn Haas Barbara Hedrich Nancy Hulsebosch	
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Our Weekly Prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 19

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am All Who Are Sick

Tuesday, August 20

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ☩ Intention for Janina

Wednesday, August 21

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ☩ Philip Tisdall
☩ Tom Digan
☩ Irene Spahn

Thursday, August 22

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ☩ Ron Schaefer

Friday, August 23

6:30am Communion Service
8:00am ☩ Richard J. Montenero
For the Sanctity of All Life

Saturday, August 24

8:00am All First Responders
5:00pm ☩ Gerry Owen
Intention for Seminarian Andy Matijevic and All Seminarians

Sunday, August 25

7:30am All Living & Deceased Parishioners
9:30am ☩ Tom Jackson
☩ Kathy O'Day Kneedler
☩ Olga Konjar
☩ Irene Spahn
☩ John Cannon
☩ Ludwik Lechowicz
11:15am ☩ Marcy Weckler Barr
☩ Marie Kay
1:30pm Mass—POLISH



FOR OUR SICK

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Lord, bless the men and women of our military as they answer the call to serve our nation and defend our freedom. Protect and heal them-- body, soul, mind and spirit--especially those in harm's way. Most of all let them know your love; that you are with them, and that you will never forsake or abandon them. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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DAILY READINGS

Mon: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tue: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wed: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thu: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Fri: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Sat: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Sun: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

XX NIEDZIELA ZWYKŁA – Jezus – znak sprzeciwu

Dzisiejsza Ewangelia wydaje się potwierdzać opinie tych, którzy uważają, że chrześcijaństwo, analogicznie jak inne religie, jest źródłem konfliktów i przemocy wśród ludzi. Tymczasem Jezus ogłasza nadejście Królestwa Bożego, które napotka opór sił i mentalności tego świata... On sam będzie ich ofiarą. Jezus nie akceptował istniejącego dotychczas 'status quo'. Przyniósł rewolucję miłości, która wyrwa z egoizmu i otwiera na dar drugiego i dla drugiego. Spala siebie, by inny mógł żyć... Jest naszym współludziem w tym, czego sam dokonał na krzyżu. Otworzył Serce pełne miłości i wrażliwości. Przestrzegaj nas, by się nie dziwić, jeśli przyjęcie Jego miłości wzbudzi nawet w najbliższych zazdrość, antagonizmy i odrzucenie. Nie można wówczas tracić entuzjazmu wiary. Pamiętajmy, że Eucharystia to trwanie pod krzyżem, z którego wypływa Jezusowy ogień. Niech przeze mnie zaplonie w innych...



Cud nad Wisłą

Geniusz Marszałka czy interwencja z Niebios?

Sierpień 1920 r. był gorący nie tylko z powodu zwykłego, letniego upału, ale też z powodu zbliżających się do Warszawy bolszewików. Zagrożenie czuli nie tylko mieszkańcy Warszawy, ale także prowincja, zwłaszcza zamieszkujący na wschód od stolicy. Mieli świadomość, że są 'po drodze' i zdawali sobie sprawę, co to dla nich oznacza...

Boję się waszej Carycy!

O świcie 15 sierpnia Władysława i jego żonę Józefę – gospodarzy spod radzyminskiej wsi – obudzilo ujadanie dwóch podwózkowych kundli. Stały przed budą i patrzyły na nią, szczerkały jak oszalale, nie reagując na wołanie pana. Władysław zajrzał do budy i zobaczył w niej człowieka. Na wołanie wyczołgał się z niej przerażony, zaplankany młody mężczyzna. Mówił coś po rosyjsku. Bolszewik. Józefa, biorąc go za dezertera, kazała mu się zaraz wynosić. Ale trzęsący się ze strachu mężczyzna wycofał się do psiej budy i z niej zawołał 'My widzieli Matier Bożiu' – 'Zobaczyliśmy Matkę Bożą'. Gospodarze zapytali, czy boi się, że przyjdą po niego towarzysze. 'Nie. Jej się boję! Waszej Carycy!' – rzekł do psiej budy. Gospodarze uznali go za wariata. Nie zdążyli nic zrobić, gdy na podwórko wbiegł drugi czerwonoarmista. Natychmiast rzucił się na niego oba psy. Uciekł do drugiej budy. Sytuacja była nieco kuriozalna, ale Władysław postanowił dowiedzieć się, o co w tym wszystkim chodzi. Jak wielu gospodarzy, mówił trochę po rosyjsku, w końcu jeszcze dwadzieścia lat temu jego wioska leżała w zaborze rosyjskim. Usiadł przed budami i zażądał wyjaśnień. Usłyszał zadziwiającą relację, co szczególnie – potwierdzoną także przez inne osoby, które również usłyszały ją od bolszewickich dezertersów lub jeńców.

Hufce wiedziona w bój przez kobiety

W nocy z 14. na 15. sierpnia Polacy zaatakowali Wólkę Radzyminską. Kiedy ruszyli do ataku, na nocnym niebie bolszewicy zobaczyli coś, co ich przeraziło. Kobieta z tarczą w dłoni, w wielkim płaszczu zasłaniającym niebo w stronę Warszawy prowadziła do boju hufce skrzydlatych rycerzy w stalowych zbrojach, pokrytych cętkowanymi skórami, siedzących na wielkich koniach. Bolszewicy zaczęli strzelać, ale pociski odbijały się od tarczy trzymanej w ręku przez dziwną kobietę i wracały do oddziałów czerwonoarmistów. Ci, chociaż bolszewicy, w przeważających wypadkach byli przeciw wychowani w prawosławnej wierze. Natychmiast uznali, że to Matka Boża prowadzi Polaków do boju i rzucili się do ucieczki. Nie bali się dowódców, którzy usilowali zapanować nad paniką, ale Maryi i pocisków odbijających się od Jej tarczy. Było to przed świtem 15 sierpnia – dnia, który przyniósł Polsce zwycięstwo ratujące całą Europę.

Wycofujący się z Polski bolszewicy mówili, że nie mogli zdobyć Warszawy, bo ujrzeni nad miastem Matkę Bożą i sparaliżowani jakąś siłą nie mogli walczyć. Podobno polscy żołnierze, którzy nie widzieli, co rozgrywa się nad ich głowami, ze zdziwieniem obserwowali nagły atak paniki w rosyjskich szeregach i

paniczną ucieczkę z pola walki.

Warto zwrócić uwagę na ten opis, bowiem został on niemal powtórzony przez autorów książki 'Matka Boża Łaskawa a Cud nad Wisłą', którzy przytoczyli relację jednego z rolników – mieszkańca okolic Zambrowa na Podlasiu. Rolnik ten koło 20 sierpnia rozmawiał z wycofującymi się z Polski bolszewikami. Podobno powiedzieli mu, że do samej Warszawy doszli bez problemów, ale stolicy Polski nie zdobyli, ponieważ ujrzeni nad nią Maryję, a z nią nie mogli walczyć. Mówili, że czuli się jak sparaliżowani, że jakaś siła odebrała im zdolność bojową. Autorzy książki twierdzili, że podobnie brzmiały relacje innych bolszewickich żołnierzy uciekających przez inne miejscowości. Czy tak było? Bolszewicy, w końcu ludzie o wschodniej, nieco przesądnej mentalności, może chcieli jakoś się usprawiedliwić, pokazać, że byli niezwykcy, dopóki walczyli z ludźmi. Nawet współcześni nie zawsze byli skłonni wierzyć w ich opowieść, chociaż wiara w Boga była wówczas czymś tak naturalnym, jak oddychanie.

Pamiętnik kardynała

O prawdziwości tych relacji świadczy relacja kard. Aleksandra Kakowskiego, ówczesnego prymasa Polski, który w swoim pamiętniku opisał fatalny stan polskiej armii tuż przed bitwą. Armia polska była przerażona – do tej pory ponosiła klęskę za klęską, brakowało jej broni i wojskowego sprzętu, dowódcy mieli świadomość opuszczenia przez Europę, a zwykli żołnierze wiedzieli, że jeśli przegrają i dostaną się do niewoli, zginą straszną śmiercią – nacierający bolszewicy zdążyli już wykazać się wyjątkowym okrucieństwem i wręcz 'wyrafinowaniem' w mordowaniu pojmanych żołnierzy. Morale nie było więc najlepsze. Utworzenie na szybko korpusu ochotników, do którego wstąpiło ok. 80 tys. mężczyzn, poprawiło nieco sytuację, ale nie zmniejszyło zagrożenia. Nastroje w Warszawie były fatalne. Zagrożone miasto opuścił cały korpus dyplomatyczny z wyjątkiem ambasadora Turcji i nuncjusza papieskiego kard. Ambrogio Damiano Achille Rattiego – późniejszego papieża Piusa XI. W nie najlepszym nastroju miał być także sam Józef Piłsudski. Kakowski wspominał, że gdy Armia Czerwona stała już niemal na przedpolach Warszawy, otrzymał wezwanie do Belwederu. Pojechał. Marszałek był przynębiony, ale miał też nadzieję. Jako wódz wiedział, że oprócz broni żołnierzom potrzeba też sił psychicznych. Uznał, że te może żołnierzom dać wiara. Poprosił kardynała go o 'dobrych kapelanów', takich, którzy którzy pójdą razem z żołnierzami i będą razem z nimi w okopach. Prymas natychmiast ogłosił apel do księży, by wstępowali do armii i poszli razem z nią. W odpowiedzi do wojska zgłosiło wielu księży i seminarzystów, którzy nie mogąc jeszcze pełnić posługi kapłańskiej, zostawali sanitariuszami. Wśród tych ochotników był ks. Ignacy Skorupka... Tak pisał o nim w swoim pamiętniku kard. Kakowski: 'Ksiądz Skorupka zwrócił się do mnie z prośbą, bym mu pozwolił pojsć na front razem z batalionem młodzieży gimnazjalnej warszawskiej, w którym znajdowała się jego szkoła. "Zgadzam się, rzekłem, ale pamiętaj, byś ciągle przebywał z żołnierzami w pochodzie i w okopach, a w ataku nie pozostawał w tyle, ale szedł w pierwszym rzędzie". "Właśnie dlatego, odrzekł, chcę iść do wojska". W bitwie pod Ossowem młodociany żołnierz nie wytrzymał ataku i zaczął się cofać. Oficjersi i dowódca pułku. Wtedy ks. Skorupka zebrał koło siebie kilkunastu swoich chłopców i z nimi poszedł naprzód. Widząc cofającego się dowódcę pułku, krzyknął do niego: "Panie pułkowniku, naprzód!" "A ksiądz?", zapytał pułkownik. "Panie pułkowniku, za mną!" "Chłopcy, za mną!" Poszli naprzód. Wielu poległo; padł i ks. Skorupka... Dlaczego tak podnoszą i gloryfikują śmierć ks. Skorupki przed wszystkimi innymi ofiarami wojny? Chwila śmierci ks. Skorupki jest punktem zwrotnym w bitwie pod Ossowem i w dziejach wojny 1920 r. Do tej chwili Polacy uciekali przed bolszewikami, odtąd uciekali bolszewicy przed Polakami. Nie dla innych przyczyn, ale dlatego właśnie cały naród czcił ks. Skorupkę jako bohatera narodowego. Szczegóły śmierci ks. Skorupki opowiadali mi młodociani żołnierze, których odwiedziłem w szpitalu jako rannych. Bolszewicy wzięci do niewoli opowiadali znowu, że widzieli księdza w komnocy i z krzyżem w ręku, a nad nim Matkę Bożą. Jakżeż mogli

strzelać do Matki Bożej, która szła przeciwko nim. Ten moment kulminacyjny w bitwie pod Warszawą nazwano tegoż dnia 'cudem nad Wisłą'.

Czy tak było?

Według Władysława Pobóg-Malinowskiego ks. Skorupka 'zginął śmiercią bardziej godną kapłana, ugodzony bowiem został zabłąkaną kulą w chwili, gdy w jakichś opłotkach, pochylony nad ciężko rannym żołnierzem, udzielał mu ostatnich pociech religijnych'. Z kolei w komunikacie Sztabu Generalnego WP z 16 sierpnia opisano 'bohaterską śmierć ks. kapelana Ignacego Skorupki [...], który w stule i z krzyżem w ręku przodował atakującym oddziałom'. Dowódca kompanii ppor. Mieczysław Słowikowski w swych wspomnieniach napisał, że zgodził się na wzięcie udziału ks. Skorupki w ataku i że widział moment jego upadku. Według innych relacji w bitewnym rozgardiaszu śmierć księdza pozostała niezauważona aż do zakończenia natarcia i dopiero potem odnaleziono jego ciało. Dziś nie sposób już stwierdzić, która wersja jest prawdziwa. Z całą pewnością w pamięć narodową wryła się bardziej ta pierwsza. Jej przeciwnicy głoszą, że została ona ukuta, tak jak i sama nazwa – 'Cud nad Wisłą' – by pomniejszyć dowódcę osiągnięcia Piłsudskiego i odebrać mu chwałę zwycięzcy tej bitwy. Może i można by było uznać tę argumentację, gdyby nie jeden zagadkowy zapis, poczyniony ręką samego marszałka. W swoich wspomnieniach dołączonych do wspomnianej książki 'Rok 1920' Józef Piłsudski pisał: 'Gdzież więc jest [bolszewicką] armia? Gdy jechałem do Mińska, świadczyły o niej dość liczne trupy ludzi i koni obok szosy, świadczyła wreszcie ludność, która z zachwytem opowiadała mi, zatrzymując auto, gdy mnie poznawano, że "bolszewiki" uciekały w bezładzie i w popłochu w różne strony'. Wiadomo – pokonany zawsze się cofa, ale nie zawsze czyni to w bezładzie i popłochu. Piłsudski, sam będąc żołnierzem, świetnie o tym wiedział. Wydaje się więc, że zapis o bezładzie i popłochu umieścił w swoim wspomnieniu celowo. Czyżby więc komunistów faktycznie przeraziło coś więcej niż natarcie polskiego wojska, jak już napisano – wcale nie takiego potężnego? A jeśli tak, to co to było? Ci, którzy słyszeli relację o niebiańskim wojsku, nie mieli wątpliwości, że chodziło o husarię – niezwykłą ciężką jazdę polską, która wielokrotnie pokonywała przeciwników liczniejszych od siebie i której natarcia nikt nie był w stanie zatrzymać. Husarze dosiadali rosyjskich koni, na lśniąco do złotych ozdób i klejnotów zbroje zarzucaли cętkowane lamparcie skóry (nawiasem mówiąc taka zbroja mogła kosztować nawet 48 kg srebra, podczas gdy nauczyciel miejski zarabiał 82 g srebra rocznie), a do ramion przyczepiali skrzydła. Wielokrotnie umieszczał na zbrojach ryngrycy z wizerunkiem Maryi. Husaria zawsze olniewiała wszystkich i zawsze przerażała wrogów. Słyszając opowieści, podawane jako relacje samych bolszewików, Polacy od razu rozpoznawali formację, z której byli najbardziej dumni.

Odniesienie świetne zwycięstwo

Z 'Cudem nad Wisłą' wiąże się jeszcze jedno zdarzenie, przy okazji powiązane z jednym z najsłynniejszych polskich malarzy. Oto 47 lat przed tą historyczną bitwą ciotce Jacka Malczewskiego, Wandzie Malczewskiej ukazała się Maryja. Jak łatwo policzyć, miało to miejsce 15 sierpnia 1873 r. Polska była wtedy jeszcze pod zaborami, jeszcze leczyła rany po powstaniu styczniowym i niewielu karmiło się wówczas nadzieją na prędkie odzyskanie niepodległości. A już z całą pewnością nikomu przez myśl nie przeszło, że powstanie coś takiego, jak sowiecki komunizm. Jednak właśnie tego dnia Maryja wypowiedziała znamienne słowa: 'Uroczystość dzisiejsza niedługo stanie się świętem waszym narodowym. W tym dniu odniesiecie zwycięstwo nad wrogami dążącymi do waszej zagłady'. Dla świadków wojny 1920 r. zwycięstwo odniesione przez Polaków pod Warszawą było oczywistym wypełnieniem tamtego pro-roctwa. I dowodem potęgi modlitwy... W obliczu śmiertelnego zagrożenia o zwycięstwo modliła się cała Polska – ludzie wierzyli, że to Bóg dał Polsce zwycięstwo, taktycy, że stało się tak za sprawą geniuszu Marszałka, który postawił wszystko na jedną kartę. Jak było naprawdę? Żaden historyk ani taktyk tego nie przynajmniej, ale może po prostu zadziały oba czynniki?

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