## February 20, 2022

## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



# The Redemptorists CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

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## PARISH STAFF

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#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM (Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

#### CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM 4:00 - 4:50 PM

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30AM to 3:00PM. Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, February 21 (Poniedziałek) - Peter Damian

8:00AM **†**Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

11:00AM †Stefan & Janina Walukiewicz r/o siostra, Krysia Rogalski

#### Tuesday, February 22 (Wtorek) Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

8:00AM **†**Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

11:00AM †Francis Fiduk Sr. (Anniv.) r/o family

11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

5:30PM Religious Education Mass - Grades 7 & 8

### Wednesday, February 23 (Środa) - Polycarp

11:00AM †Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkówski r/o daughter & family

11:30AM Exposition and Rosary 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish & Mass

### Thursday, February 24 (Czwartek)

8:00AM +Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

11:00AM **†**Henry Petrone r/o family

### Friday, February 25 (Piątek)

11:00 AM **†**Bazyli & Theodora Gruszewski r/o son & family 7:00 PM **†**Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

### Saturday, February 26 (Sobota)

8:00 AM †Czeslaw & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

11:00 AM **†**Ewa Puzio r/o great-granddaughter, Janina 5:00 PM **†**Consuelo Tobar Duque r/o Elisa Goldstone

### 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 27 (Niedziela)

7:00AM †Kazimierz Wiercinski r/o wife

9:00AM †Czesław & Irena Mieczkowski r/o daughter & family

†Jerry Konczyk r/o Barbara & Michael Herrrera
†Connie Pepe r/o husband, Jerry
†Maria Klik r/o daughter
†Czeslawa Gnap r/o M. Radwanski
†Maria Dowsett & Henry Krajewski r/o Anthony
Perna
†Vinny D'Aniello r/o Richard Pavan

†Margaret Kowalchuk r/o niece, Rosemary Jablonski

**†**Ilona Widerynski r/o Ela & Zygmunt Nowosielski For the People of the Parish

11:30AM **†**Living & Deceased Members of the Blessed Virgin Mary Society

The Altar Bread & Wine is consecrated this week in memory of **Jadwiga & Andrew Terpilowski** at the request of their daughter, granddaughter & great-granddaughter.



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Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

To be a community of love, a family that joyfully proclaims and bears witness to the Gospel, and which serves the poor and one another.



### Monday, February 21

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DUE TO THE NATIONAL HOLIDAY.** In case of an emergency, please call 908-725-0072.

**GUITAR CLASSES FOR CHILDREN** - 5:15PM followed by Children's Polish Choir at 6PM.

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** - Christ the King School - 5:30 - 6:45PM.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

**ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE** – 7:30PM in Sacred Heart Church.

### NEXT WEEKEND, FEBRUARY 26 & 27

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** taken up after Holy Communion will be for property insurance. Please be generous.

## **Ogłoszenia Parafialne**

### Poniedziałek, 21 luty

- **BIURO PARAFIALNE** będzie zamknięte z racji na Święto Państwowe: Presidents' Day. W razie nagłego wypadku prosimy dzwonić na parafialny numer.
- **LEKCJE GITARY** godz. 15.15; próba polskiej scholii dziecięcej godz. 18.00.

### WTOREK, 22 LUTY

**KATECHEZA** – Christ the King School – 5:30-6:45PM.

### NIEDZALA, 27 LUTY

**DRUGA SKŁADKA**, po Komunii świętej, będzie przeznaczona na Property Insurance. Prosimy o ofiarność!



**THE PRIESTLY RETREAT** will take place from March 7 to March 11, 2022. All Masses in Polish and English are cancelled for that week. The services of the Way of the Cross in both languages will take place as planned.

**REKOLEKCJE KAPŁAŃSKIE** odbęda sie w dniach od 7 do 11 marca. W tych dniach wszystkie Msze w języku polskim I angielskim są odwołane. Nabożeństwa drogi krzyżowej w obydwóch językach odbędą się o zwykłej porze tak jak zaplanowano.

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### **Thanking God for Missing Spears**

Imagine how Saul must have felt when he awoke from his sleep and saw his spear missing from its resting place. Now imagine how he felt when he realized that the person who had it was the same person seeking his life — and there he sat, safe and sound. Now there's a day you don't forget your morning prayers.

I think if we look, we can all find a "missing spear moment" in our lives, when it hits us right in the gut that God has kept us safe from an impending disaster. This can be physical disaster, sure — but more commonly, I think it is spiritual disaster. Often the salvation comes through the gift of a person, or people, through whom God reveals His mercy.

When I was in high school, I had a circle of friends who were really into their faith. We were all in youth ministry together, and the bond we shared taught me a lesson that changed me as a person: we become those with whom we associate. I can look back now, all these years later, and see that these people are evidence of God's hand in my life.

Take a look at your life. In whose love has God shown you comfort? By whose hand has God brought you closer to Him, or kept you away from harm? Through whose friendship has God shaped you into the person you are?

Let's strive to remember to thank God for these people — and to thank them, too.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of February 13, 2022

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Offertory	\$	4,450.00
Mail-Ins	\$	2,111.00
Children's Donations	\$	30.00
Heat	\$	2,482.00
On-line Giving	\$	2,397.00
Total	\$	11,470.00

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless Fr. Stan you.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, ... exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." (LUKE 6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

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mom.	Evalise
shared my gifts with a neighbor.	Jacob
made breakfast for my family.	Alex
took care of my baby brother.	Julia
shared my toys with my friends.	Liliana
cleaned the dishes.	Gabriel
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Don't forget to put your first & last name and grade on your envelope.

### Readings for the Week of February 20, 2021

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 9:14-29 Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

- Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/
- Mk 9:38-40 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/Mk 9:41-50
- Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/ Mk 10:1-12
- Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/ Mk 10:13-16
- Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at http:// www.usccb.org/nab/.

### Track Your Giving in 2022!



Have you considered using online giving? By creating a login and contributing online you'll always have a report of your giving history available. You can access your report easily and securely via the web, and your information will always be up-to-date with your latest contributions. You can find the online giving link on www.ctrmanville.com.

### 2022 Bishop's Annual Appeal Celebrating 40 Years— Continuing to Fan the Flame of Faith into Service

Our diocese has been blessed in recent years with an increased number of vocations and, thanks be to God, we presently have 21 seminarians studying for the priesthood. A large portion of our seminarians' education is being funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal, for which they are extremely grateful. Your gift also supports a wide array of diocesan programs that foster vocations and provide ongoing formation for those called to both ordained and lay leadership roles within the Church. Your generosity also ensures that our retired priests who have served so faithfully receive the care they deserve in their later years. Please be as generous as your mean allow.



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Edwina Andreyko, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Jean Batula, Elizabeth Bednarczyk, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, John & Magdalena Daus, Bill and Denise Davidson, Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Brenda DuBois, Mary Evancho, Malcolm Ferraira, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Ethel Gargiulo, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Robert Goffredo, Christopher Gregor, Frank Honkisz, Marvann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Stanley Jasinski, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ann Marie Kotch, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Ann Marie Lazor-Shapiro, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Chevenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Jerry Mamola, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, James O'Reilly Jr., Ned Panfile, Brian, Robert & John Parlier, Maria Powser, Andrzej & Wanda Paszuda, Barbara Perone, Frank Piccano, Steven Pirello, Marv Poltarek, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Ava & Steve Quintana, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Cindi Shandor, Michael Sheehan, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, Charlotte Snow, Albert Stanski, Gertrude Szczecina, Michelle Tranter, Helen Turiano, David Urban, Frances & Barry Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Brett Wood, Rose Zakszewski, Michael Zamorsky, Margaret & Mark Zujkow-

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.

ski, Maria Zurawiecki and Regina Zydalis.

#### Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially Airman Thomas Caswell SPC Christopher Elsen PFC Joshua Hussey Lieutenant Colonel James A. Jablonski Jr. Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF Airman Michael Edward Kassick III Captain John Limyansky USAF First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC SR Jerry Lee Rogalski Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr. PFC Steven Ubry Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF

Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

### The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573



Council Meeting: Council Meetings are held monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center

**Recruiting**: Catholic men  $18^+$  are invited to reach out to Chester Makowski (chester.makowski@gmail.com) or approach any of the brother knights.

Bible Study: Prayerful study and discussion of the Book of Isaiah will take place on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. at the Saint John Neumann Center. All are welcome to join.

Clothing Drive - March 12th - 9AM - 12 noon - St. John Neumann Center.

Facebook updates provided at https://www.facebook.com/ kofc6573 biblestudy/



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said on February 20<sup>th</sup> SOCIETY 4 at 9:00AM - 8:30AM Rosary. The meetings are cancelled until further

notice.

The next FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on March 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. Caritas The Caritas Team collects food every week at the church. Needed items:

personal care items such as, shampoo, deodorant, cleansing wipes, body wash, toothpaste, toilet paper and paper towels. Also needed are cleaning supplies: bleach, laundry detergent, fabric softener, dishwashing soap, disinfectant, toilet bowl cleaner. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.



Pierogi are on sale at the parish office during regular office hours and can be ordered on the website.

> Potato w/chedder cheese—\$10 Potato w/farmers cheese—\$12

#### WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED **What Is Mammon?**

#### Question:

When Jesus says, "You cannot serve both God and mammon," what does he mean? What is mammon?

#### Answer:

When you hear Scripture proclaimed each Sunday, remember it wasn't originally written in English. Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek — these ancient tongues were the original language of our Old and New Testaments. Most of the time, all of the words are translated into our native language. Sometimes, a word or two is left in the original language. Such is the case in this Scripture passage.

Mammon is an ancient Aramaic word referring to money, wealth, or profit. Earthly wealth isn't bad in itself, nor does it automatically exclude us from being a disciple of Jesus. But what dominates our life? To serve money that is, to seek accumulation of wealth for its own sake and to structure our lives around it — is morally problematic. What good is our wealth if it isn't at the service of others? What good is our wealth if its pursuit leads us to selfishness, obsession, greed, envy, and comparison? There are many things that can be opposed to our service of God — power, prestige, popularity. Ultimately, something in our lives will be our master. But there is only one God worth serving.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Love your enemies and do good to them." We have such a hard time with this teaching! But it doesn't end there. Jesus continues with turning the other cheek when struck, giving to everyone who asks, doing to others as you would have them do to you, being merciful, stopping our judgment of others, forgiving, and giving. We are okay when God does these things but get a little anxious when we realize that God really wants us to do them too! Secular justice and Gospel justice are definitely not the same. We need to remember that we are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian is called to act like Christ even in those situations where a more assertive or defensive response may seem more justifiable. In order to live up to this call we have to leave our resentment and need for retaliation behind, lose our defensiveness and bring into our mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world. We are not here to satisfy or promote our own well-being and agenda. We are here for God's. That's a hard nut to crack especially when it comes to loving and forgiving people who do hurtful and violent things.



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*up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...* 

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Linda Cavaluzzo will be presenting the reflections and next week Mary Lou Cebula will be the presenter.

Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.

### Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday:	Josephine Pschar
Monday:	John Tardy
Tuesday:	K.K. & Rosemary Jablonski
Wednesday:	Theresa Evans, John Strollo & Lucy
	Mazareski
Thursday:	Gerald Pepe & Barbara Porter
Friday:	Betty Rybski & Rachel Petrone
Saturday:	Sharon Liszczak & John Tardy