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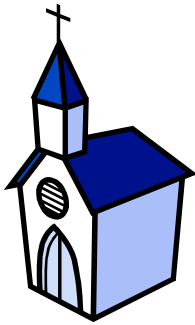
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CCD: Sunday 10:30

Mass: Sunday 11:30



COMMUNITY BULLETIN, October 4th, 2009

From Fr. Wiesław's Desk:

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome back after our holiday break! It is always good to see more people in the pews. I am sure you had fantastic holidays and you look forward to another one. I laugh that my whole life is a holiday, so this year I did not have a long break. Being on constant vacation has its advantages. It means to concentrate on the journey to heaven. Don't we all travel there? So, perhaps you are also on a permanent holiday?

Our Parish has changed during last three months. We have bid farewell to many of our faithful parishioners. I can still see the places where they used to sit and see their faces. At the same time I see new faces in our parish. Faces without souls do not exist, yet it discloses the soul. So I would like to welcome both new faces and souls in our parish. Whatever country you arrived from, whatever country is your motherland, I hope you will find our International English Speaking Catholic Parish of Warsaw a friendly and welcoming Community.

We are a small, and at the same time, pretty large parish of Warsaw. Thanks to our parish register, we counted some 5,000 people who attended our church over our 25 years of our existence. This Parish has been entrusted to the care of the Order of St. Augustine in Poland (The Augustinians). It is one of the oldest Orders in the Catholic Church. We were established in 1256 by Pope Innocent III and came to Poland a hundred years later when King Kazimierz the Great gave us an invitation. There are now 2,500 Augustinians in the world and 18 – are on various stages of formation – live in Poland.

Whether you are with us for years, or you are new to our Parish, I'm sure you will be able to share with us some of your talents you cherish in your life. May it be your singing skills, musical talents (playing an instrument), PR skills, charity, teaching faith to kids, art skills, reading talents. If you are an established extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, we will be more than happy to use your service. Perhaps your children, boys or girls, would like to be altar servers. We need people in all those fields. This Parish needs you and the Church needs you!

The Patron of our Parish, St. Paul Apostle to the Nations, teaches us that "All who are guided by the Spirit of God are sons of God (Rom 8:14)". We are a Roman Catholic Parish and at the same time we always welcome our fellow Christian brothers and sisters, as well as all people of good will who belong to other religions. Though we cannot share fully our convictions and religious practices, yet we still want you to feel at home with us. We firmly believe that we all may work together towards a better world. If you consider following our Catholic way of living paths more closely, please feel free to contact our RCIA group (Rite of Christian Initiation of the Adults).



I am convinced we have a fantastic year ahead. Let us pray for each other and let's remember that "The Service begins after Mass".

Yours faithfully
Fr. Wiesław Dawidowski, OSA

CCD News

Welcome to another year of CCD. Classes started on September 20th, and we are happy to welcome back all the many children who have attended the programme for a number of years. We are also very happy to welcome new families and new children to our religious instruction program. To date, 65 children have been registered in the programme, although this will probably rise over the course of the year. Once again we are fortunate in having just about enough voluntary teachers to run the CCD programme. We welcome back many teachers who have given so generously of their time to CCD over the past years, and greet other new teachers who bring their gifts to the classrooms on Sundays.

Classes and teachers are as follows:

Pre Communion 1: Mrs Barbara Poznanska, Ms Pamela Hrcir

Pre Communion 2: Mrs Lucy Murphy, Mrs Linda O' Loughlin

Communion: Mrs Michelle Henning

Post Communion 1: Mrs Trish Kaffka

Post Communion 2: Mrs Imma Mautner Markhoff

Pre Confirmation 1: Mrs Ewa Pawlowska

Pre Confirmation 2: Ms Rachel Rudd

Confirmation 1: Mr, Christopher Uden

Confirmation 2: Mrs Kylie Hrcir

Please remember that all our teachers are volunteers and few are trained teachers. If you do have a concern about the class, the lesson content or your child's progress, by all means see the teacher, but bear in mind that they are not professionals. The co-ordinator is always willing to see parents before Mass on Sunday.

Times and Dates

Classes start at 10:30 every Sunday and parents should endeavour to bring their children on time, equipped with texts and pencils.

On Sunday September 20th, children received the calendar of classes for the year. We try very hard to create a calendar which will suit all the many schools our children attend. Please try to ensure that your child attends as many lessons of CCD as possible. Should children attend less than 50% of non-sacrament classes, it is possible that they will not receive the certificate of attendance at the end of the CCD year. 75% attendance is required to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

There is a different calendar for the Confirmation Classes which generally meet only every second week. Both calendars are reproduced below.

CONFIRMATION AND COMMUNION

A reminder to parents of children in the Communion and Confirmation classes; Baptismal Certificates are required before the end of March. If the certificate is in storage or in another country, NOW is the time to begin looking for it!

IMPORTANT (PROVISIONAL) DATES FOR CCD

The table below highlights some of the most important dates in the CCD Calendar, particularly for parents of those in the Communion and Confirmation classes. **Please note that until we have received confirmation of his availability from the bishop, all Communion and Confirmation dates shown in bold below are provisional**

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Sunday 7 th February	Rite of Acceptance, Confirmation Class	Radna	11.30
Saturday, 6 th March	Reconciliation Retreat, Communion Class	The British School	13.00 - 17.00
Saturday, 13 th March	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Radna	14.00 +
Saturday, 8 th May	First Holy Communion Rehearsal	Radna	14.00 +
Saturday 15th May	Second Reconciliation, and Communion Rehearsal	Radna	14.00+
Sunday 16th May	First Holy Communion Ceremony	Radna	11.30
Saturday 22nd May	Rehearsal for Confirmation	Radna	16.00 - 17.30
Sunday 23rd May	Confirmation	Radna	11.30



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Calendar of CCD Classes 2009/2010

1. September 20th
2. September 27th
3. October 4th
4. October 11th
5. October 18th
- No CCD on October 25th, November 1st**
6. November 8th
7. November 15th
8. November 22nd
9. November 29th
10. December 6th
11. December 13th
- No CCD on December 20th, 27th or January 3rd**
12. January 10th
13. January 17th
14. January 24th
15. January 31st
16. February 7th
- No CCD February 14th or 21st**
17. February 28th
18. March 7th
19. March 14th
20. March 21st
21. March 28th
- No CCD April 4th or 11th**
22. April 18th
23. April 25th
- No CCD May 2nd**
24. May 9th
25. **May 16th**
26. **May 23rd**
27. May 30th

WARSAW MARATHON!!

Meeting for Communion/Confirmation parents

First Holy Communion Ceremony (**Provisional**)

Confirmation (**Provisional**)

Final CCD lesson, Closing Mass of the CCD Year

Calendar of Confirmation Classes 2009/2010

28. September 20th

29. October 4th

Meeting for Communion/Confirmation parents

30. October 18th

No CCD on October 25th, November 1st

31. November 8th

32. November 22nd

33. December 6th

No CCD on December 20th, 27th or January 3rd

34. January 10th

35. January 24th

36. February 7th

No CCD February 14th or 21st

37. February 28th

38. March 14th

39. March 28th

No CCD April 4th or 11th

40. April 18th

41. April 25th

No CCD May 2nd

42. May 9th

43. **May 16th**

First Holy Communion Ceremony (**Provisional**)

44. **May 23rd**

Confirmation (**Provisional**)

Registration Forms

Please fill in a form if you are **new, not registered** or **need to update** the information given on a previous form. As a Parish, we need this data for our records and for the smooth functioning of the community. You can place your completed form to the collection basket or hand it to Fr. Wieslaw or Tanya.

If you or your company would like to advertise in this box (will be more space in future editions), please contact Fr. Wieslaw or the Kazik Stepan with all inquires and requests.