

# st. priscilla church



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**Anna Adamowski, Parish Secretary**

## **RITE OF RECONCILIATION:**

(Confession) 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, Saturday or by appointment.  
Weekday Confession held at 7:00 to 7:15 AM.

## **PARISH REGISTRATION:**

At the rectory during office hours.  
Regular Office hours 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

## **WEDDINGS:**

Arrangement must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the date of the wedding. Confirm desired date at the church before making other arrangements. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Priscilla. Weddings are not scheduled on Sunday.

## **BAPTISMS:**

English Baptisms will be held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM. Polish Baptisms will be held on the first and third Sundays. Attendance at Baptismal Preparation class is mandatory. Register by calling Rectory.

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **WEEKEND MASSES:**

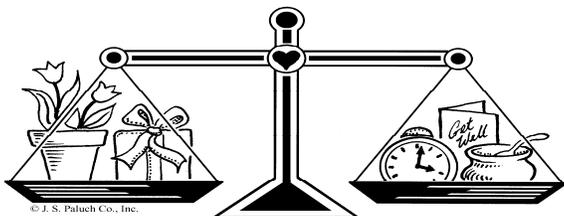
**Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM**  
**Sunday: 7:30 - 9:00 - 12:15 PM**  
**Polish Mass: 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM**

### **WEEKDAY MASSES:**

**Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM**  
**Saturday: 8:00 AM**

### **HOLY DAY MASSES:**

**7:00 PM Vigil Mass, 6:30—8:00—11:00 AM (English)**  
**9:00 AM—7:00 PM (Polish)**



**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 20, 2008**

Those who are just must be kind.  
— *Wisdom 12:19*

### Spiritual Reflection

Life can become ordinary and routine. We can easily fall into habits and patterns. In the winter we yearn for the days when we can cook outdoors. For some of us, that has become routine. We need to eat several times a day. It can become routine. Many of us have a house, a car and other possessions. At first they are very special. Before long though, we simply use them, paying little or no attention to them. The first time we hear a new song from our favorite group, we might yearn to get the CD. After the sixth playing, it becomes routine as well. We don't listen carefully any more.

The parables in the gospel can become ordinary as well. After we hear the words, "The kingdom of heaven is like ....," we can stop listening. We've heard that one before. We know how it ends. Deep within us though, is a deep desire to escape from the ordinariness of life. Somewhere deep down inside we hunger for something new and fresh, for holiness and peace, for something not ordinary. God uses ordinary means to bring the extraordinary into our lives. The parables are so familiar, yet so extraordinary.

The weeds grow up with the wheat. What a job it is to keep the dandelions out of our yard, or the weeds out of our garden. Sometimes they get so big that we can't really pull them out without damaging the vegetables and flowers around them. Sometimes we work or go to school with those weeds, and sometimes they're in our own families. We can't get away from them or their influence. Nor do we judge them. We simply wait for the harvest and allow God to do the judging. The yeast spreads through the dough. Chances are that we've experienced it in many ways. Some of us bake bread and know the wonder of those tiny organisms that make it rise. We may have been in a group that was corrupted by gossip, dishonesty or negative thinking. We may have been in a situation too, where the goodness of one person was so contagious that it spread to all the rest. The mustard seed, one of the smallest seeds of all, grows into the largest of plants. We can watch the children around us grow up. We can see the growth outside as they get taller and stronger. How wonderful it is to see them grow inside as well, in honesty, integrity, holiness and love.

"Your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all." What a challenge it is to leave the judging up to God. It is up to us to be lenient toward others. The really strong are often that way. They don't need to judge or condemn. They use their energy to improve themselves, then to help others. "And you taught your people, by these deeds, that those who are just must be kind." Justice and kindness go together. The judging needs to be left up to God.

"Lord, you are good and forgiving." So we trust in God to forgive and strengthen us. We can stand in awe at how the kingdom of God continues to grow, ever slowly, and in many surprising ways. It grows in ordinary people like you and me. It does so as we accept ordinary opportunities to help ordinary people. The seed is sown. The kind and the unkind, the weak and the strong live together. When we are weak, we can count on a God who continues to love us, treat us with lenience and give us strength. We can do that for others as well.

This week we can notice the extraordinary in the ordinary things of life. We can appreciate the kingdom of God as it grows in us and around us. We can use our own strength and authority to bring lenience, love and kindness to those around us. We can forgive and ask forgiveness. Look for the extraordinary in the ordinary. Have a good Week! Reflection©MMVIII Rev. Patrick A. Umberger, [www.frpat.com](http://www.frpat.com)

### Pastor's Notes



### Zboże i Chwasty

Na glebę ludzkiego serca rzucają nieustannie ziarno niestrudzeni siewcy: jeden, to Boski Gospodzarz, o którym była mowa ubiegłej niedzieli—wyborne i niezawodne ziarno rozsiewa On przez kościół, a słowo to przyjęte przez podatnych słuchaczy przynosi plon obfity.

Drugi siewca, to przeciwnik, to duch ciemności i kłamstwa. Zatrute, złe ziarno—zarodek śmierci—zasiał w duszach naszych pierwszych rodziców, a potem sam, czy przez sprzymierzonych z sobą ludzi rozsiewa ciągle zło po całym świecie.

Zły duch sieje kąkol przez zwodzenie ludzi: Kusi! Święty Tomasz z Akwinu mówi nam, że szatan kusi bardzo silnie i bardzo przebiegle. Dzisiejszemu człowiekowi wydać się może przesadnym twierdzenie, że zły duch kusi "bardzo silnie." Ale nie jest to ważne, co człowiek uważa za przesadne, czy słuszne, ale co Bóg nam objawił. Z wszystkiego, co o szatanie wiemy z Objawienia Bożego wynika, że ten duch upadły pragnie wciągnąć do walki z Bogiem jak najwięcej ludzi, tak, jak wciągnął do tej walki zatepy niewiernych aniołów. Kusi oczywiście w granicach dozwolonych przez Boga.

Szatan kusi "przebiegle", a w tym kuszeniu, w sianiu zatrutego ziarna pomagają mu synowie świata. Stąd smutne stwierdzenie, że dzieje ludzkości, to nie tylko dzieje wybornego zboża, ale i zmieszane z nim ziarna kąkolu. Człowiek uczciwy sprzeciwia się temu i chciałby od razu chwasty powyrwać. Inne są jednak myśli ludzkie, a inne są myśli Boże. Bóg nasz—jest bowiem Bogiem cierpliwości i nadziei.

"Pozwólcie obojgu rósć aż do żniwa" - poleca Chrystus. Bo Bóg niczego nie niszczy, a wszystko pragnie ratować. Jest Bogiem nadziei i liczy na process dojrzewania człowieka, zakłada, że przejrzy on wreszcie i wróci do Niego. Daje więc szansę wszystkim: dobrym—by wytrwali, złym—by się nawrócili. Bóg pozwala im rosnać obok siebie aż do żniwa. Jest cierpliwy. Chce też przez to powiedzieć, że człowiek, który dzisiaj się wydaje być kąkolem, jutro może być pszenicą. Dlatego też cierpliwie czeka.

Nie niszczy człowieka, który zdaje się być samym kąkolem. Owoce tego czekania zdają się być zdumiewające. Ludzie się nawracają. Tak było z Marią Magdaleną. Tak było ze świętym Pawłem. Ludzie ci w pewnym okresie życia byli kąkolem. Mojżesz—takie jak Magdalena kazał kamienować. A Chrystus powiedział: Ja poczekam. Dlatego Bóg daje nam zwsze szansę, nawet wtedy, kiedy to dobre ziarno jest tak małe, iż prawie niewidoczne i długo nie wschodzi. Poza tym, Bóg chce, by to, co wyrosło złe w naszych sercach, zostało przez nas samych spalone. Pomyślmy więc dziś o tym...

Będę cierpliwy w oczekiwaniu na plon moich poczynań. Chrystus czeka, ja też poczekam... - Ks. Idzi


**Mass Intentions for the week**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (20)**

- 7:30 — Birthday - Linda Duplantis (Denise Duplantis)  
 9:00 — +Salvatore Desimone (family)  
     +Joseph Mohar Birthday Remem. (Wife & family)  
     For the deceased members of the Markiewicz family  
     +Donato Allegretti (Family)  
     +Monika & Wincent Rokicki (Mizera Family)  
 10:30— O szczęśliwą podróż do Polski dla Joanny z rodziną  
     W intencji Marii w podziękowaniu Miłosierdziu  
     Bożemu za otrzymane łaski (Rodzina)  
     O szczęście wieczne dla Victora Burzyńskiego (Rodzice)  
     +Antoni Kołodziej 19ta rocz. śm. oraz z racji imienin i  
     urodzin (żona i dzieci)  
     +Maria i Wawrzyniec Rębacz (córka)  
     O wieczne szczęście dla Stanisława Gwiazdowski w  
     2gą rocz. śm. (Rodzina)  
     O zdrowie dla Zdzisława  
     +Zdzisław Wiercioch 26ta rocz. śm. (żona i dzieci)  
     +Zofia Kunc 24ta rocz. śm.  
     +Jan Kunc 18ta rocz. śm. (Chrześniak)  
     W intencji Elżbiety o szczęśliwy przebieg ciąży i bł. Boże  
     Za zdrowie i bł. Boże dla Marianny Pogorzelskiej  
     +Józef Pogorzelski, Stefania i Henryk Zalewski,  
     Teresa Wajszczyk, Mariana Brysiewicz,  
     Krystyna Popławska, Feliksa i Kazimierz  
     Zalewski, Janina Korkosz  
     O zdrowie i bł. Boże, szczęśliwą operację i potrzebne łaski  
     dla Marcina  
     O Boże bł. i zdrowie dla Adama i Lidii  
     +Jan Pudło w 26tą rocz. śm.  
     +Adam Depka—3 lata po śm., Wiesław Depka w rocz. śm. i  
     Ludwik Depka 2 miesiące po śm.  
 12:15— +Henry & Mary Koziara  
     +Luigi Divito - 1st death anniversary  
 6:00 — O zdrowie i bł. Boże dla Bartusia Mlotkowski w 1szą  
     rocz. urodzin

**MONDAY (21) Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor**

- 6:30 — +Anthony T. LaValle (Dolores A. LaValle)  
 8:00 — +Philomena & Luigi De Stephano (Daughter)

**TUESDAY (22) Mary Magdalene**

- 6:30 — +Donald Arnet (Your friends at 6:30AM Mass)  
 8:00 — +Stanisław, Ewa Cnota & Children

**WEDNESDAY (23) Bridget of Sweden, religious**

- 6:30 — +Krystine L. Cabalfin  
 8:00 — +Anastasia Marienfeld—Death Anniv. (Jim Miketta)

**THURSDAY (24) Sharbel Makhluf, priest**

- 6:30 — +Jack Sievers (Lorraine)  
 8:00 — +Eleanor Gurdak (J. Gurdak)

**FRIDAY (25) James, apostle**

- 6:30 — Fred Pacer—Birthday (Marge)  
 8:00 — +John & Leonard Schultz (Lorraine DuPlantis)

**SATURDAY (26) Joachim & Anne, parents of the BVM**

- 8:00 — In thanksgiving to St. Anne (Anna Campanella)  
 4:00 — +Josephine Lowczynski (J. Gurdak)  
     +George M. Juferit (Lucille)  
     +Chester Majchszak (Sal & Sophie)  
     +Jose Raymundo Ferreira (Jenkins Family)  
     +Charles Rozmarek Birthday Remem. (Daughter  
     Elaine Tovar & Grandchildren)  
     +Bruno & Rose Nardi (John Nardi)  
     +Rose Nardi (Husband John)  
     +Hugo Greco (Maria Greco—wife)  
     +Hillard, Josephine & Hillard Jr. Krause (M. Tadel &  
     Helwing Family)  
     Health and Bless. - Leonard Wasielewski (B.M. Hetland)

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (27)**

- 7:30 — +Ferdinand Weiterschan (Weiterschan Voelker Family)  
     +Charles Willard (Grandchildren Stephanie, Hunter,  
     Trenton & Chase)  
 9:00 — +Salvatore Desimone (family)  
     +George F. Kaplan (Janet Kaplan)  
     For the soul of Helen Labus & blessings for her family  
     for their generosity (Ela)  
     In thanksgiving Evelyn Cademartrie  
 10:30— W intencji Ryszarda Koziar z racji urodzin (żona i dzieci)  
     O Boże bł. i potrzebne łaski dla Teresy i Ryszarda Koziar  
     z racji 30tej rocz. ślubu (Dzieci)  
     O światłość wiecz. dla Victora Burzyńskiego (Rodzice)  
     +Jan i Balbina Wasilewski  
     +Władysław, Leopold, Edward, Kazimierz, Apolonia  
     Trybułowska i Zofia Kulikowska  
     O wieczne szczęście w 1szą rocz. śm. dla Marianny  
     Kądziołka (Rodzina)  
     O Boże bł. i opiekę Matki Bożej z okazji urodzin dla Jerzego  
     O szczęśliwe rozwiązanie dla córki Agnieszki i opiekę Matki  
     Bożej  
 12:15— +Karol & Wiktoria Koziara  
     +Jan, Jozef, Antonina & Emilia Koziara  
 6:00 — Parishioners of St. Priscilla


**Our Weekly Offering**

**July 13, 2008**

<b>Currency</b>	<b>\$ 4,383.00</b>
<b>Checks</b>	<b>\$ 2,862.00</b>
<b>Loose Coin</b>	<b>\$ 5.61</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,250.61</b>
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>
<b>Budget Year to Date</b>	<b>\$510,000.00</b>
<b>Collections Year to Date</b>	<b>\$431,101.65</b>
<b>Under Budget</b>	<b>\$&lt;78,898.35&gt;</b>

Thank you for your generosity and  
support of our Parish.



**CASH FOR TRASH****Attention: Our school needs your help!**

Save your empty inkjet printer cartridges and old cell phones—They have value!

Our school has found a company that will pay us **CASH** for empty inkjet printer cartridges and old cell phones. They then recycle the cartridges and phones and sell them at significant savings to their customers.

**HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:**

- Inkjet cartridges and old cell phones can be collected from homes, parents' work, co-workers, and local businesses.
- Collected cartridges and phones should then be brought to a collection box at school in a plastic bag to prevent leakage.
- Cartridges and phones are shipped to our recycling company. (Free shipping is provided.)
- Our school earns \$2.25 per inkjet cartridge or cell phone accepted.

**Thanks for your support!**



Christine Achtel - George Adamick - John Alongi - Joseph Bargi - Rita Bobowski - Mary Ann Bonk - Meg Butler - Robert Calkins - Dorothy Castronovo - Maria Ceglarek - Maria Clancy - Jane Conley - Nancy & Richard Crabtree - Tarcisio DeBiase - Erminia DeSimone - Frances G. Diprima - Leo Divito - Sister Edwarda Doyle - Myles Druffel - Edward Drzymala - Lorraine DuPlantis - Gene Fuentes - Angiolina Gervasio - Mary Gudel - Mary Hahn - Jennifer Hebda - Sean Henaghan - Mariana Hernandez - Mildred Ingallinera - Krzysztof Kadzielawa - Janet Kaplan - Chester Kmiec - LaVerne Kmiec - Allyson Krajewski - Walter Krawczyk - Giuseppe Lamanna - Angela Lazio - Romona Lugowski - Mary Lynch - George Major - Carlos Mariduena - Felicit Martinez - Donald Mohr - Donna Mohr - Frances Montana - Mikey Muka - Frank Nasca - Dolores Nielsen - Stefan Nowik - Wilma Oaks - Catherine O'Brien - Colleen O'Donnell Craig - Leonard Olbrisch - Lorie Pacer - William Panzella - Phyllis & William Peterson - Dolores & Richard Piela - Carmella Pizzo - Russ Plambeck - Bernice Plicner - Donna Pomierski - Debbie Pope - Daniel Pope - Florence Pope - Shirley Potempa - Antonio Puccio - Rachael Reece - Stanley Renda - Stephanie Rhodes - Rosemary Rios - Angelo Rocco - Augusto Sandoval - Phyllis Scully - Josephine & Antonio Sevenhouse - Amy Sherod - Stephen Sierzega - Patricia Slowik - Mary Smolenski - Louise Sowa - Mary Spiewak - Adeline Spitzzeri - Frank Stelka - Odette Stinar - Bob Suwalski - Victor Szatkowski - Marilyn Tamburrino - Helen Tyc - Patricia Tytro - Edward Watrach - McKenna Weber - Robert Welch - Tina Wellnitz - Katie Young - Nora Zacharski - Blanche Zielinski - Joan Zifra - Natividad P. Nicasio - Elaine M. Grochocki - Leonard Basielewski

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COLLECTION**

As the month of June progressed, more people donated money for our Capital Improvement Collection. A list of those who donated through the end of June follows:

- \$120** — Regina Zajdel  
**\$25** — Gerald Sullivan  
**\$20** — Frank Firlotte, Richard Koziar, Lawrence Lynch, Dolores Nielson, Lorraine Sievers, Jozef Wiczorek  
**\$15** — Theresa Tyc  
**\$10** — Joy Belluomini, Rose Fliss, Janet Kaplan, Tadeusz Madon, John McDermott, Joseph & Elaine Nerone, Mieczyslawa Nowak, Piotr Odrzywolski, John Sherrod, Richard Tomal, Bernice Tuszyński, Arline Willert  
**\$5** — Javier Benitez, Piero Bertacchi, Margaret Bogdanowicz, Maria Greco, Jean Hanisko, Iza Juzkiewicz, Eleanor Kowalski, Nancy Lee, Joann Maass, Edgar Pelegrino  
**\$3** — Vito Buterra  
**\$2** — Michael Cosentino, A. Rodriguez, Emily Zachwieja

Thank You! May our good Lord bless you all!

If you know of any parish member, family member or friends who are homebound and in need of our prayer, we would like to add their names to our **Pray for...** list.

If you would like to be taken off of our **Pray for...** list because you are no longer sick, please contact the rectory at **773 545-8840**.

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Today's Readings: Wisdom 12:13, 16–19; Psalm 86:5–6, 9–10, 15–16; Romans 8:26–27; Matthew 13:24–43 [24–30]*

**The reign of God is like  
a farmer who sowed good seed.**



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### THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS LIKE . . .

Jesus speaks in several parables today about the reign of God, including images from several groups of people in order to make his message clear to all who hear. The kingdom of God is like a man who sows good seed. The kingdom of God is like a person who plants a mustard seed. The kingdom of God is like a woman who adds yeast to her flour. All of these very human activities bring home the fact that the reign of God is already among us, working in small ways to bring about mysterious but very great results.

Good and evil are allowed to grow together until the end, lest the good be destroyed with the evil. There is a lesson for us here. It is not that we shouldn't oppose evil when we see it, but that in our zeal to make our world perfect by human force, we must be careful not to destroy the work that God is doing. It is not for us, but for God to judge what is to be kept and what destroyed, and even though we think we know the difference, we must be cautious not to disturb God's carefully planted goodness in others. Violence can never be the means of justice.

### SMALL YET POWERFUL

Likewise, the reign of God is like something very small, almost unnoticeable until we begin to see the results. The tiny mustard seed, which can be planted by any person (even a child), grows to be a large tree, amazing to all. A tiny amount of yeast, when added to flour, becomes invisible until it begins to make the whole dough rise, doubling or tripling its volume, and becoming bread in the oven's heat.

Let us not judge what we see, but trust that God's work in the world is gentle and quiet, the results known only in the final chapter. We seek, in humility, to watch for the Spirit working in the ordinary activities of our lives.

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