

## MASS INTENTIONS

DAILY MASSES CAN BE SEEN AT SERCC.ORG

February 28

11:30 AM †Kazimierz Dabrowski  
by Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Lippincott

March 7

11:30 AM † Barry Lagler  
by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Bolesky

### READINGS FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

First Reading:	Genesis 22: 1 – 18
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 116
Second Reading:	Romans 8: 31b – 34
Gospel:	Mark 9: 2 – 10

### LENTEN LAMENTATIONS (GORZKIE ZALE)

*Will be read/ sung after Sunday Mass during Lent*

**Gorzkie żale** (Polish pronunciation: ['gɔʂkʲɛ 'zɔlɛ] 'Lenten (or Bitter) Lamentations') is a Catholic devotion, containing many hymns. One part is held on each Sunday in Lent, and the entire ceremony is held on Good Friday. The tradition dates to the 1700's in the Warsaw's Holy Cross Church and from there it spread to entire Poland. There are five parts: "Pobudka" (Wake-up call), "Żal duszę ściska" (Sadness grips the soul), "Lament duszy" (Cry of the soul), "Smutna rozmowa" (Sad discussion); and the last part, "Któryś za nas cierpiał rany" (You who suffered wounds for us).

Gorzkie zale przybywajcie,  
Serce nasze przenikajcie. (2x)

Rozplyncie sie me zrenice,  
Toczcie smutnych lez krynice. (2x)

Slonce, gwiazdy omdlewaja.  
Zaloba sie pokrywaja. (2x)

Placza rzewnie Aniolowie,  
A ktoz zalosc ich wypowie. (2x)

Opoki sie twarde kraja,  
Z grobow unmarli powstaja. (2x)

Coz jest pytam, co sie dzieje?  
Wszystko stworzenie truchleje. (2x)

Na bol meki Chrystusowej,  
Zal przejmujecie bez wymowy. (2x)

Uderz Jezu bez odwloki,  
W twarde serc naszych opoki. (2x)

Jezu moj, we krwi ran Swoich,  
Obmyj dusze z grzechow moich. (2x)

Upal serca mego chlodze,  
Gdy w przepasc Meki Twej wchodze. (2x)

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

St. Elizabeth P.R.E.P.

Registering children for religious education?

Contact Mrs. Spieker at 610.266.0695 ext 208

Sacraments *Registration is required for parish membership and sacraments*

Church Administrator Rev Pendzick 610.266.1548

#### Baptisms:

The sacrament of baptism is celebrated after Sunday Mass.

#### Marriages:

The sacrament of marriage is celebrated by contacting the church Administrator.

#### Anointing of the Sick:

The sacrament of anointing may be performed for those in need by calling the church Administrator.

#### Confession/Reconciliation

The sacrament of reconciliation will take place 15 minutes prior to Mass on Sunday or by appointment. Call the church Administrator.

#### Lost & Found Items

Anyone who misplaces or leaves an item at church after Mass may come a few minutes early the next week to check for their lost item.

For Sacraments, Mass Intentions, Sanctuary Candle or Altar Flowers, please call 610.266.1548

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Listen to Him!

Luke's Gospel account tells us that while Jesus was transfigured, Peter, James, and John were asleep (Luke 9:32)! Upon awakening they discovered Jesus in glory along with Moses and Elijah. How much do we miss of God's glory and action because we are asleep spiritually? There are many things which can keep our minds asleep to the things of God: Mental lethargy and the "unexamined life" can keep us from thinking things through and facing our doubts and questions in the light of Christ's truth. The life of ease can also hinder us from considering the challenging or disturbing demands of Christ to forsake all for him and his kingdom. Prejudice can make us blind to something new the Lord may have for us. Even sorrow can be a block until we can see past it to the glory of God.

How spiritually awake are you to Christ's presence and word of life for you? Peter, James and John were privileged witnesses of the glory of Christ. We, too, as Disciples of Christ are called to be witnesses of his glory. We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit (2 Corinthians 3:18). The Lord wants to reveal his glory to us, his beloved disciples. Do you seek his presence with expectant faith, reverence and willing obedience?

Fr. Pendzick



## PIEROGIE SALE MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>

Reminder: Help is needed on Monday, March 1 – starting at 8 am. CLEAN UP HELP IS NEEDED AFTER 2 pm until we are finished!! Should out to the November CLEAN UP CREW. You did a fantastic job!!!!



*Pierogie Pinchers of SS. Peter + Paul*

### Easter Flower Sale

To benefit our Youth Ministry Programs. All plants are priced at \$4 per pot. Pre-ordered plants can be picked up Friday, March 26, after 11 am at St. Elizabeth parish office or on Palm Sunday, March 28, in St Elizabeth parish hall after from 8:30 – 11:30. The size of these plants makes them a perfect gift for shut-ins, office staff and neighbors. **Deadline for ordering is Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.**

*Call Mary Spieker for orders 610-266-0695 ext 208*

### Easter Candy Fundraiser



St. Elizabeth Youth Ministry is selling delicious **Gertrude Hawk** Easter candy. Easter candy brochures will be in the vestibule of the church February 14<sup>th</sup>. All orders are due by Monday, March 1st to the parish office or Sunday collection basket. Conveniently make your Easter candy purchase and pick-up your orders after the Mass on Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Please make checks payable to: **St. Elizabeth.**

For On-Line orders go to:

[fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com](http://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com)

Instructions for online orders: click on: PLACE A FUNDRAISING ORDER Chocolate button. You will then be prompted to "Choose an Organization". Type: **ST ELIZ** (click on *St. Elizabeth, Whitehall*) then click Next "Choose a Seller" block will become active and you can type **Youth**. Click on the cart icon to check out. Choose deliver to organization to avoid delivery charges. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ORDER!