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ALL THAT I AM *and*
ALL THAT I HAVE
ARE CHRIST'S



WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JANUARY 20, 2013

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time II Niedziela zwykła

January 20, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm: 96:1-3,7-10

R. Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Intention: For Ryder Xavier, his parents and family.

Worship leader: 9:30am Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30am.
- Baptism of Ryder Xavier Prusky
- Coffee Hour
- School of Christian Living, Confirmation, First Communion classes

Septuagesima Sunday Niedziela Siedemdziesiątnica

January 27, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

Psalm: 1:1-4,6

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20

Gospel: Luke 6:17,20-26

Intention: For all parishioners and benefactors.

Worship leader: 9:30am Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am.
- Coffee Hour – please join us.
- School of Christian Living, Confirmation, First Communion classes
- Soup on Sunday at 11:30am

Sick Calls and Hospital Visits – Please know that hospitals will not advise parishes when an individual is admitted. Health confidentiality regulations prevent them from doing so. If someone is admitted please let Deacon Jim know so he might visit, pray with them, and bring Jesus' healing presence to them. Parishioners in need of anointing should contact Fr. Mark Gnidzinski at 518-437-1889.

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Upcoming...

- January 20: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time and Baptism
- January 27: Septuagesima Sunday, beginning of Pre-Lent, Music Scholarship Sunday, 2nd Soup on Sunday
- February 2: Solemnity of the Presentation
- February 3: Sexagesima Sunday, Commemoration of St. Blaise, Blessing of Throats, Annual Parish Meeting & Elections
- February 10: Quinquagesima Sunday
- February 13: Ash Wednesday, Beginning of the Great Lent
- February 15: Stations of the Cross, 7:30pm

Are we going over? Yes, yes we are.

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

Anne Rice, writing about the life of Jesus, describes Cana as follows: "It's a winter of no rain, endless dust, and talk of trouble in Judea. All who know and love Jesus find themselves waiting for some sign of the path he will eventually take. After his baptism, he is at last ready to confront his destiny. At the wedding at Cana, he takes water and transforms it into wine. Thus, he's recognized as the anointed one and called by God the Father to begin a ministry that will transform an unsuspecting world."

We have been following Jesus' path from His birth, the visit of the shepherds, His circumcision, the visit of the Magi, and His

baptism. After His baptism, John pointed out that Jesus was the One everyone expected, the Messiah. He told his followers to follow Jesus. Disciples began to flock to Jesus because some had heard the Father's voice from heaven and had seen the Spirit descend on Him. Others followed based on John's word. What a great build-up.

We are at Cana today. We know something amazing is going to happen. This period of build-up has to be fulfilled. We can sense it. It is like being at the top of a rollercoaster, knowing what's coming next. Yet we are fearful. We might even wonder if we will be stuck without ever going over. Suddenly, we are rushing headlong filled with the thrill of the moment, feeling exhilarated. No fear, only joy.

The disciples were now rushing headlong. They experienced the power of God at work in Jesus. God was among them, what an amazing rush.

Church and the life of faith is more than pretending we were there or sitting on the edge. Each week we live with Jesus by our presence in the community of faith, entered by baptism.

Just as Jesus intervened to help the newly married couple He continues to intervene in our lives. In our weekly worship and Holy Communion we don't just remember His great deeds, we don't just retell an interesting story, we become a real and living part of that story. We are there with Him in the very same way His disciples were. We have the same pledge.

We could sit at the top of the rollercoaster with anticipation or fear. Like Ryder, who joins with us in taking that plunge off the edge into the life of faith today, we live a powerful and exhilarating life by going over. Fear is destroyed by joy. Adventure is here. We are transformed and we transform others. We are in the present with Jesus, over the edge, alive.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: John 14:12-14
MONDAY: John 20:29
TUESDAY: Romans 10:14
WEDNESDAY: Mark 16:15-16
THURSDAY: Mark 9:24
FRIDAY: Colossians 3:17
SATURDAY: 1 John 4:1-2

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that I may believe not by signs and wonders, but by Your word, truth, and presence.

School of Christian Living

We have an active and on-going Confirmation, First Communion and SOCL classes. Thank you to our parents for supporting the program. Sign-ups can be done at any time – it is never too late to learn.

Epiphany Home Blessings

We continue the wonderful tradition of offering home visits and blessings for those who would like them. Blessing of the homes will take place through Tuesday, February 12th. Please see Deacon Jim to set aside a time.

Souper Bowl

For the 12th year in a row, our parish is participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. We are providing food help for those in need through the Souper Bowl of Caring and YouGiveGoods. Your monetary donations in church will support the work of Schenectady Inner City Ministry. You can donate food online through our YouGiveGoods donation page (see our website to donate online). Food donations will be provided to Concerned For The Hungry. Thank you for your support of our efforts to assist the hungry.

SOUP, Round Two

Our next Soup on Sunday event is Sunday, January 27th from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Please volunteer to assist in cooking and serving - we need your help. Also, get the word out wherever/whenever you can. Soup on Sunday is scheduled for the last Sunday of every month. God bless Bob and Stephanie Dominy for their leadership in this effort and all who assist in any way.

STAR Notice

Attention Seniors living in Schenectady, If you are a resident homeowner in the City of Schenectady, you must file a renewal application for enhanced Senior School Tax Relief (the STAR program). You must provide a record of your income and file the renewal form by March 1st. Call 518-382-5075 for more information.

Parish Offices

Our annual congregation meeting will be held February 3rd along with the election of a new Parish Committee. So much good has been accomplished in 2012 – and it will be a great meeting filled with thankfulness for the many blessings we have experienced - especially for the blessing of having you in our family of faith!!! If you or someone you know would like to be part of the leadership team, please write your name, theirs, or better yet, both of yours down along with the office (Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Secretary, Trustee) you would like to run for and drop them in the collection basket in an envelope marked nominations.

Of note...

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Kay Kaminski, Joseph and Lee Callahan, Tom Caulfield, Debbie Urban, Ann Marie Riley, George Williams, Diane Avellino, Laura Covari, Ellen Carey, Connie Cola, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Carol Kosik, Eddy Stutz, Jim Kelly, Phil Haberman, Stanley Radzysinski, Joseph Lyman, Sandy Davis, Erin Smith, Margaret Bondi, Sharon Nasner, Dan, Kym, Maggie and Hannah Bucham, Ray Callanan, Jeannie Christopher, Connie Gigliotti, Joe Avellino, Jan Shufelt, Deanna Colfels, Cathy France, Patty Martel-Baum, Rick Rodino, Judy Springer, Deb Cousins, Judy Palmer, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Luke Sobiechowski, Mark McCarthy, Bonnie Nelson, Rosemary Ragule, Lisa Caporizzo, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Judy Held, Stefan Węglinski, Janet Spurck, Joannie True, Robert Dominy, Patricia Lewis, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Louie Perkinson, Laurie Speech, John Humme, Gary Wilkinson, Jakub Kozina, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley Bilinski, George Damouni, Kindlon Family, Carolyn Walker, Chris, James McGrath, Larry Alfred, Brian Soos, Bonesteel Family, Bill VanShufflin, Mary Ellen Hitchings, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak.

- All in need of God's healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- All those in Public Service, Police Officers and Fire Fighters.
- All Active And Retired Clergy of the Holy Polish National Catholic Church.
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in our Holy Polish National Catholic Church. This week we remember: Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, McAdoo, PA its congregation and pastor Rev. Bogusław Janiec.

Bless them, O Lord!
Pobłogosław im, O Boże!

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is back. Spend some time after services to share in community and fellowship. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and God bless you for your ministry of hospitality in providing for this time to gather after services every week.

Parish Organizations: Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? The YMSofR - Men's Society of the Resurrection Branch 56, ANS - Women's Adoration Society, Choir, Parish Committee, and a hopefully reconstituted branch of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. See Deacon Jim.