

# The Jerusalem Council

## focus



## Acts 15:1-35

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MAY 5, 2013

## Sixth Sunday of Easter VI Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 5, 2013

Rite: 9:00am Pew Missal, page 63

First reading: Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Psalm: 67:2-3,5-6,8

**O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Epistle: Revelation 21:10-14,22-23

Gospel: John 14:23-29

Intention: For the health and healing of Pat Lewis

Celebrant: 9:00am Rev. Rafał Dadełło

Lector: Marilyn Heitala

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Easter Lauds.
- Holy Mass
- Coffee Hour – please join us

## Seventh Sunday of Easter VII Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 12, 2013

Rite: 9:00am Pew Missal

First reading: Acts 7:55-60

Psalm: Ps 97:1-2,6-7,9

**R. The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.**

Epistle: Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20

Gospel: John 17:20-26

Intention: For śp. Josephine Panfil

Celebrant: 9:00am Rev. Rafał Dadełło

Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Easter Lauds.
- Holy Mass
- Mother's Day Breakfast – please join us

*Let the mouth also fast from disgraceful speeches and railings. For what does it profit if we abstain from fish and fowl and yet bite and devour our brothers and sisters? The evil speaker eats the flesh of his brother and bites the body of his neighbor. – St. John Chrysostom*

**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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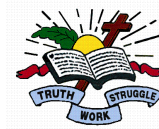
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## Upcoming...

- May 5: 6th Sunday of Easter – Holy Mass at 9am
- May 9: Solemnity of the Ascension, Vespers at 7pm
- May 10: 62nd Anniversary, Martyrdom of Bishop Joseph Padewski
- May 12: 7th Sunday of Easter – Holy Mass at 9am. Mother's Day
- May 17-19: 68th Annual YMSofR/PNCC Bowling Tourney
- May 18: Rummage and Bake Sale
- May 19: Pentecost Sunday, 9am

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Deacon Jim will be away from the parish on May 5th, 12th (maybe), 19th and June 2nd, 16th, and 30th. To ensure consistency of worship, Fr. Rafał Dadełło and Deacon Bob Shovah will serve us on these dates at 9AM.

**All Sunday services in May and June will be at 9AM**

## Not another meeting!!!

Yes, just like the apostles.

*And when Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter.*

Any organization faced with questions and debate can choose between several courses of action. They can choose to let the boss decide. They can appoint a committee to study the issue and make recommendations. They can have open debate and discussion and still let the boss decide the outcome. They might meet and reach a consensus decision and act in accordance with that decision.

The early Church was not

immune to questions and debate. How did they settle those?

We read that Paul and Barnabas were faced with questions and debates in the faith communities they served. They didn't play the 'I'm the apostle and I say so' card. They didn't appoint a commission to study the issue and give recommendations. Rather, they returned to the center of the Church in Jerusalem where the Church gathered in Council (or Synod) to decide on the matter collectively.

There is one key reason for doing this. The Church can only decide on important issues when it is assembled as one. When it exhibits this physical unity – gathered in Holy Synod – it also exhibits the fact that it is more than a corporation, company, club, or group. It shows the unity it has in the Holy Spirit. In Holy Synod the Church exhibits the unifying and guiding power of the Holy

Spirit. The Church does not decide for itself just because. It decides as the Holy Spirit guides it to decide.

Our Holy Church closely adheres to the principals of the early Church in its democratic process. At the local level we gather during annual meetings and regular parish committee meetings to decide as guided by the Holy Spirit. We seek input and guidance from each member of the parish, because the Holy Spirit lives in us individually and most importantly as a collective body – the Body of Christ. Our diocese and the entire Church gather regularly in Holy Synod to exhibit both our physical unity and the underlying unity we have in the Holy Spirit. We trust that when gathered in meetings like these we are more than just a parish, just an organization. We are the Body of Christ, the Holy Church.

Another meeting, question, or debate? Greet each with joy as His disciples, His body and see the Holy Spirit at work.

*For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians.*

Acts 11:26

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Acts 20:7-8  
MONDAY: 1 Corinthians 14:26  
TUESDAY: Hebrews 10:23-25  
WEDNESDAY: 1 Peter 2:9  
THURSDAY: 1 Peter 5:2-3  
FRIDAY: Titus 2:7-8  
SATURDAY: Romans 12:3

## Pray

Holy Spirit, guide our parish and Your Holy Church to decisions in accord with Your will.

*They sent Judas called Barsab'bas, and Silas, leading men among the brethren, with the following letter...*



## Rummage and Bake Sale

Our annual rummage and bake sale will be held Saturday, May 18th from 9am to 3pm. Sign up sheets are at the bulletin board in the back of the church as well as in the hall. Please bring in items you wish to donate as well as those wonderful baked goods!!!

This event offers important and needed items to our neighbors and visitors at great prices. This ministry is yet another way we provide for those in need. Leftover items are donated to other charities so whatever you bring in does not go to waste. God bless you for donating your items, baked goods, and time to make this event a success.

## Ascension Thursday

*And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.* The Ascension of our Lord shows us that Jesus, who came as a man, who lived, ate, laughed, cried, suffered, and died as a man, Whose human body was glorified, also ascended into heaven. This is our assurance that we too will rise and live in heaven eternally with Him in glorified bodies. We will hold Solemn Vespers on Thursday, May 9th at 7pm in celebration of the Solemnity. Please join us!

## Music, Kurs, more

Music scholarship applications are due May 15th. Also planning is underway for the summer events including the Acolyte Retreat, KURS (June 29-July 6), the National United Choirs music workshop, and the annual YMSofR Zlot/Track and Field Tournament. See Deacon Jim and sign-up to go. These are great events!!!

## SOUP on Sunday

Our next Soup on Sunday is May 26th at 11:30am. Please be sure to invite friends, family, and everyone you know to partake every month. There is no cost or charge for this meal. This service opens our home to all in need of a little company, a warm meal, and the love of Christ.

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 Haberlan, 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, Gary Wilkinson, Jakub Kozina, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley Bilinski, George Damouni, Carolyn Walker, Chris, James McGrath, Brian Soos, Mary Ellen Hitchings, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak, Fr. Senior John Kraus, David Wielinski, Stephanie Konicki, Edward Glover, Tamara Albury

- 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: PNC Church of the Resurrection in Brooklyn, NY its congregation and pastor, Fr. Joseph Kołek.

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

**Coffee Hour:** 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.