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## A.K.A. GOD

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JUNE 3, 2012

### Solemnity of the Holy Trinity Święto Trójcy Przenajświętej

June 3, 2012

Rite: Deacon Missal, Page 63

First reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Psalm: Ps 33:4-6,9,18-20,22

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own**

Epistle: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Intention: For vocations.

Worship leader: Rev. Mr. Robert Shovah

Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship & Holy Communion at 9:30am.
- Exposition and Benediction
- Coffee Hour – please join us
- No Confirmation class this week

### Sunday in the Octave of Corpus Christi Niedzielę w Oktawie Bożego Ciała

June 10, 2012

Rite: Pew Missal, Page 63

First reading: Exodus 24:3-8

Psalm: Ps 116:12-13,15-18

**R. I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.**

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel: Mark 14:12-16,22-26

Intention: For the clergy of our Holy Church and for vocations

Celebrant: Rev. Adam Czarnecki, Deacon: Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Holy Mass at 9:30am.
- Procession in honor of the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior
- Coffee Hour – please join us
- Confirmation Class

### Welcome Deacon Bob

We are honored to have the services of Deacon Bob Shovah of the Central Diocese, who usually serves at Blessed Virgin Mary of Częstochowa Parish in Latham, New York, this weekend. Deacon Bob was most recently with us for Solemn Vespers on the Solemnity of the Ascension. Welcome Deacon Bob. Thank you for your service.

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### Upcoming...

- June – Sacred Vocations Month – Pray for vocations
- June 3: Solemnity of the Holy Trinity
- June 7: Solemnity – Corpus Christi
- June 10: Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi
- June 11: Feast – St. Barnabas
- June 15: Solemnity – Sacred Heart of Jesus
- June 17: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time and Father's Day
- June 24: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- June 25th: Solemnity – Nativity of St. John the Baptist (translated)
- June 26th: Acolyte Retreat Begins
- June 29: Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul
- June 30: KURS Begins

## Can you explain?

*Ummmm, maybe?*

*“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit”*

It is amazing that on the day we consider the greatest mystery of mysteries – the Holy Trinity, we are confronted with the Jesus’ command to go and do the most simple and straightforward of things - baptize.

We recall from catechism class that anyone can baptize. In an emergency, any person can take some water, pour it over a person’s head, and with the words “I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” they have baptized that person.

In ages past, this was quite necessary. Unfortunately, many

children died shortly after being born. People were caught up in wars and other tragedies. Christians in many places were the subject of persecution and martyrdom. Healthcare, safety, and religious freedom were a far cry from what they are today. Still to this day, every Christian has the right and duty to baptize when necessary.

Today’s Christians in the Middle East, North Korea, and China still baptize in emergencies, in prisons, whenever and wherever necessary. Soldiers in harms way baptize their brothers and sisters. Healthcare workers baptize in urgent situations.

In baptizing, in this simple act, we join the newly baptized to the Holy Trinity, to this great mystery, and to the Christian community

The key is that in baptism, in regeneration into people of God,

we come to recognize that our wisdom and intelligence are not enough. We realize that we are participants in God’s life. We must listen to and understand God’s mystery as a child would; accepting God’s greater wisdom.

Jesus praised His Father in saying: *“I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent, and revealed them to little children.”*

We cannot explain the mystery of the Trinity. We can however explain what He has revealed to us and what we have accepted in baptism as His children. It is this simple fact: The Father loves us so much that He offered up His Son so that we might have eternal life. He loves us so much that He gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to sustain, instruct, strengthen, and enlighten us; to join us together.

That’s a mystery we can all explain – love, A.K.A. God.

*“Secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those that are revealed belong to us and our descendants forever”*

**Deuteronomy 29:29**

## Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: John 1:1-18

MONDAY: Isaiah 55:8-9

TUESDAY: 1 Corinthians 13:12

WEDNESDAY: John 5:18

THURSDAY: 1 John 3:2

FRIDAY: 1 Corinthians 2:10

SATURDAY: Deuteronomy 4:35

### Pray

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost!

## Summer Youth Events

The end of the school year is fast approaching. We have a full schedule of youth events throughout our Church. There’s the Central Diocese Acolyte Retreat, Kurs, and the biennial CONVO held at Niagara University this year. Please see Deacon Jim for more info and sign-ups.

## Honoring Those Who Served

Memorial Day gave us a moment, as a parish family, to come together in prayer at our parish cemetery. We were able to give thanks for the lives of all who served our country in the cause of freedom and to pray for our service members and veterans.

Thank you to all you joined in prayer at the cemetery and those who prayed along with us from home.

The cemetery looked beautiful, flowers and flags standing to honor those who rest there. It was an honor to stand at the altar in our cemetery, to offer prayer, to proclaim the Word of God among our faithful and before the eyes of the public, calling to mind the honor found in serving all, in listening to Jesus as He says: *Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

## Our Parish Cemetery

For those who do not know, our parish has a cemetery located on Donald Road near Central Park in Schenectady. This beautiful setting is replete with the history and memory of those who served our parish and worshiped with us.

If you and your family are at the stage of pre-planning for your Christian funeral and other matters, please consider a resting place in our Catholic cemetery. There are many resources available in relation to pre-planning. Be sure to consult appropriate resources and protect your rights – in particular your wishes in regard to a Catholic funeral in your parish. If you have questions in relation to these issues, please see Deacon Jim

## Of note...

**Coffee Hour:** Our weekly coffee hours are a warm and wonderful experience, a time to gather and speak with each other while we enjoy a wealth of good things to eat. If you are able, please help by signing up to take care of a coffee hour. Please see Ed Bertasso with any questions.

**Parish Organizations:** Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? God calls us to work together for the good of our community, in support of each other, and for the needs of the Church. The YMSofR -

## Praying for...

Janimine 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 Radzyminski, Joseph Lyman, Sandy Davis, Derek, 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 Couns, 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, Joan, Matthew, Brian, Shari, Adam, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Louie Perkinson, Laurie Speech, John Humme, Gary Wilkinson, Jakub Kozina, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas

- 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: St. Stanislao Kostka Parish, Lucca, Italy and its congregation and pastor, Fr. Senior Claudio Bocca.

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

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.

**Serendipity Calendar:** What a fun way to support the parish and potentially WIN! The Serendipity Calendar allows you to choose one or more numbers between 001 and 999. If your number is drawn in the day’s NYS Lottery Daily Numbers game, you win. Sign-ups have begun for 2012. Reserve your numbers early so you get your lucky numbers. Note that re-subscription notices will be mailed shortly. The cost for each number chance is \$20.