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BLUEPRINTS

BUILDING OUR LIVES ON HIM

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JULY 27, 2014

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XVII Niedziela zwykła

July 27, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: 1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Psalm: Ps 119:57,72,76-77,127-130

R. Lord, I love your commands.

Epistle: Romans 8:28-30

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Intention: For all parishioners

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
- Communion and Confirmation classes

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XVIII Niedziela zwykła

August 3, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Isaiah 55:1-3

Psalm: Ps 145:8-9,15-18

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Epistle: Romans 8:35,37-39

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Intention: For all parishioners

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

Lector: Marilyn Hietala

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
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Proverbs, therefore, are words of exhortation serviceable for the whole path of life; for to those who seek their way to God, these serve as guides and signs to revive them when wearied with the length of the road. These, moreover, are the proverbs of Solomon, that is to say, the peacemaker, who, in truth, is Christ the Saviour. Solomon to whom the Lord said: I will give you a wise and an understanding heart; so that there has been none like you upon the earth, and after you there shall not arise any like you, and as follows in what is written of him. – St. Hippolytus

Sick Calls and Hospital Visits – Please know that hospitals will not advise parishes when an individual is admitted. 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...

- **July 27th: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **August 2nd: Baptism of Liam Oravsky at 10am**
- **August 3rd: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **August 4th: Feast – Finding of the Body of St. Stephen**
- **August 6th: Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord**
- **August 10th: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **August 15th: Solemnity of the Dormition/Assumption of the BVM**
- **August 17th: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **August 24th: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **August 25th: Feast – St. Bartholomew, Apostle**
- **August 26th: Solemnity of Our Lady of Częstochowa**

Follow the blueprint for being in Christ

“O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?”

We could make much the same prayer as Solomon did. Lord, give me a wise and understanding heart so that I may serve you in the midst of all those around me. Help me to distinguish between right and wrong so as to follow the path Your Son Jesus has set for me.

Solomon was young and wasn't quite aware of what God had in store for him. He wasn't aware

of God's blueprint for his life. Solomon made the right choice. He prayed for wisdom – a wisdom that would allow him to build his life on God's way, according to God's plan. This gave him confidence in leading and building as ruler of Israel. He prayed to follow God's blueprint for his life.

If you've ever watched a house being built, you know that blueprints are essential. Blueprints contain plans that tells the builders how to assemble everything so that the home is strong, safe, and of high quality. A good blueprint gives a homeowner assurance that the job will be done properly and provides confidence.

Our call is to follow God's path for us, and to pledge ourselves to following His blueprint for our lives. His blueprint gives us a guarantee – confidence in all we do in Him. By following His blueprint we will succeed. We will be strong, safe, and have high quality lives that last forever. We have assurance that our lives will

be lived properly and with goodness. We will judge rightly, with wisdom, and lead many to come to know, love and serve Him. He created a blueprint for each of us with all we need to live a faithful life, a life that draws us closer to Him and leads others to Him.

Following the Lord's blueprint for us shows us what to do and how we can do it with joy, peace, and trust in both good and bad times – it allows us to overcome all.

God created a blueprint for our lives. When God designed our lives, when He drew our blueprint, He accounted for everything we need to live in Him and with Him. If we build our lives on Jesus as our foundation, if we follow His blueprint, if we are truly wise, we will, like Solomon, ask correctly. Lord, show us the way! It takes time to learn how to follow His blueprint for us. Like Solomon, we must continue to pray for the wisdom to follow His blueprint for our lives and work daily to live it out, to follow Him and live in Him.

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Genesis 2:7

MONDAY: Jeremiah 1:4-5

TUESDAY: Jeremiah 29:11

WEDNESDAY: Acts 2:23

THURSDAY: Psalm 139:16

FRIDAY: Ezra 7:27

SATURDAY: John 14:6

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that I may follow Your blueprint for my life. Grant me the wisdom necessary to follow and proclaim Your way.

CONVO Report

CONVO observed its 50th anniversary this year. Claudia, Adam, Victoria, and Deacon Jim left for CONVO 2014 in Tiffin, Ohio at midnight Monday, July 21st. After a 12 hour trip we jumped right into the activities laid out for us. This year's theme was "In the beginning." In each session different beginnings were discussed – Creation, the coming of Jesus and the beginning of the Church, the beginning of the Holy Mass, how we begin falling into sin, how to begin letting Holy Scripture shape our lives, the beginning of the CONVO movement, and a synthesis presented by the Prime Bishop – each beginning is created for us – not the collective us – but each of us individually. The world, Jesus coming, the Church, the Holy Mass, God's word are for me. God counts me that important to Him. CONVO was also filled with fun times – a trip to the Kalahari Water Park, game night, a dance, good food, a performance by the Christian music and comedy group **Lost and Found**, and time for fellowship. Holy Mass was celebrated daily along with beautiful music performed by participants and chaperones. Victoria added her musical talents by playing flute. Business sessions were conducted. We learned of future plans for the PNUA/Spójnia and what the organizations is doing for our youth. Adam was one of four elected to represent the Central Diocese on the National United Youth Association Board. National United Choirs awarded scholarships to Victoria and Christina. God bless our youth!!!!!! On to CONVO 2016!

Holy Synod

The Church's quadrennial Holy Synod will be held from September 29th through October 3rd in Erie, PA. Mr. Robert Dominy is our parish delegate. The focus of Holy Synod is on the future of our Church. If you have ideas or concerns you would like discussed at Synod, please let Bob or Deacon Jim know. Come Holy Spirit, guide and protect Your Holy Church!

This Summer – Consider the PNUA

Share the many benefits of the Polish National Union/Spójnia with your family and friends. This program does so much for our Church and our youth. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the many programs the PNU offers to help you provide for those you care about. I can personally say that the PNU has been of benefit to my family. It is not just insurance protection, but college stipends, a great Credit Union, and being part of an organization that does so much for our Holy Church. Contact the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352 for more information on their gifts of summer program.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is August 17th. Please be sure to continue 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. Our free lunch on Sunday program is on the 3rd Sunday of every month.

Of note...:

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, 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 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, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak, Edward Glover, Tamara Albury, Melissa Dixon, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Laverne Dowdell, Curtis Sczepkowski, Bishop John, Derek Westcott, Daniel Springsteen, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Beverly Ferguson, Edward Panfil, Alyssa DePaula, Pastor Tom Kendall, Irene Borowski, Ted Zebrowski, Faith Eldridge, Joshua Moraski

- 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 Students and Teachers at Mont Pleasant Middle School
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in the Union of Scranton. This week we remember: St. Olav Mission, Ålesund, Norway, its congregation and clergy Very Rev. Ottar Mikael Myrseth.

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour will resume in the Fall. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and all who assisted with this ministry of hospitality since last Fall. Enjoy your summer!

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.