

Jesus, remember me  
when you come  
into your kingdom.

Luke 23:42

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 20, 2016

## Solemnity of Christ the King

Uroczystość Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata

November 20, 2016

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Psalm: Ps 122:1-5

**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Epistle: Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Intention: 9:30am for śp. Emily Ruchalski off. by Dorothy Morrison and Shirley

Maliszewski and 11:30am for All Souls remembrances

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki

Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour/School of Christian Living.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

## 1st Sunday of Advent

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November 27, 2016

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm: Ps 122:1-9

**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all parishioners

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki

Lector: 9:30am Derek Westcott, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Blessing and lighting of the Advent wreath and blessing of Christmas wafers/opłatki. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour/School of Christian Living
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

*For Christ's kingship over Israel was not for the purpose of exacting tribute, of putting swords into His soldiers' hands, of subduing His enemies by open warfare; but He was King of Israel in exercising kingly authority over their inward natures, in consulting for their eternal interests, in bringing into His heavenly kingdom those whose faith, and hope, and love were centered in Himself. Accordingly, for the Son of God, the Father's equal, the Word by whom all things were made, in His good pleasure to be King of Israel, was an act of condescension and not of promotion; a token of compassion, and not any increase of power. For He who was called on earth the King of the Jews, is in the heavens the Lord of angels. – St. Augustine*

**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 Father Jim know so he might visit, pray with, anoint, and bring Jesus' healing presence to them. Call Fr. Jim at 518-522-0944. You may also call Fr. Mark Gnidzinski at 518-453-2258

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## Upcoming...

- **November 20: Solemnity of Christ the King. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mass and Anointing of the Sick, 6:15pm.**
- **November 24: Thanksgiving**
- **November 27: 1st Sunday of Advent/Cycle A Begins. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 30: Feast - St. Andrew the Apostle. Rorate Holy Mass at 8:30am.**
- **December 4: 2nd Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **December 6: Commemoration of St. Nicholas of Myra – Holy Mass at 8:30am.**
- **December 8: Solemnity – Conception of the B.V.M.**
- **December 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **December 12: Parish Committee Meeting at 7pm.**

We invite all who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist to partake. It is our practice to distribute the Holy Eucharist by intinction. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue, never in the hand.

## Remember

me.

*Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."*

When a person works an eight-hour day and receives a fair day's pay for their time that is a wage. When a person competes with an opponent and receives a trophy for winning that is a prize. When a person receives appropriate recognition for long service or high achievements and good performance, that is an award. But when a person is not capable of earning a wage, can win no prize, and deserves no award, yet receives such a gift anyway, it is a good picture of the way God's kingdom is designed. His is a kingdom in which we receive the a full inheritance to which we were never entitled but has been won and gifted to us.

The generosity of Jesus' kingdom is on full display in the encounter

between the two robbers and Jesus. Each sentenced to death; one's heart remains stone cold. The other's heart is opened. The King of heaven and earth offering His life for the redemption of the world is both taunted and adored. In this sacred moment God reveals His offer to the whole world and how that offer is for all and for each of us individually.

The two criminals were equally near to Christ. Both of them saw and heard all that happened those hours that Jesus hung on the cross. One died in his sins, he died as he had lived, without repentance. The other repented and believed in Jesus, saw the promise of His kingdom, called on him for mercy, and went to Paradise.

It is interesting that Jesus responded directly to the thief that called out for mercy – Yes, I will remember you. You will be with Me in My kingdom this day. Jesus responds to us when we humble ourselves, when we recognize His rule over us. When we place Jesus

on the throne, front and center of our lives, and give up our willfulness we become co-heirs with the King. Notice that the criminal who repented placed Jesus on the throne; specifically mentioning *Your kingdom*.

It is even more telling that Jesus gave no response to the one who mocked and taunted Him. Some think that God is a punishing and vengeful power. Yet here we see God's true nature. He does not curse, punish, or and in why does He respond to the one whose heart remains cold – who hates to the end. God gives Him every moment available to take the opportunity to repent, to place God front and center. Jesus' offer of merciful opportunity is such a powerful gift

The Lord wants us all to recognize ourselves in this moment, to see the true nature of His kingship, to cry out too, "Jesus, remember me," and to know He does. We receive a prize we have not won when Jesus is our King. We will be with Him me in Paradise!

*But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

Matthew 6:33

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Mark 14:35-36

MONDAY: James 4:7

TUESDAY: Proverbs 23:26

WEDNESDAY: 1 Peter 5:6

THURSDAY: Romans 12:1

FRIDAY: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

SATURDAY: Luke 9:23-24

## Pray

Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess.

## Thanksgiving Celebration Thank You

Our Seniorate Thanksgiving celebration was so wonderful. The food, fellowship, and the centrality of our thanks filled worship showed forth the nature of our family in the faith. Over \$300 was raised in support of Patty's Place, a shelter and set of services for women of the street. A special thank you to Stephanie Dominy and her team for the wonderful dinner, to all who offered desserts, salads, and other goodies, and to all who assisted with set-up and break down afterward. Our next Seniorate event – our Lenten Retreat – is tentatively scheduled for April 1, 2017 at Holy Spirit Parish in Little Falls.

## Thanksgiving/Advent Food Drive

We are taking up our annual food collection for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please bring in your offers of canned or dry goods and place them before the Mary altar. God bless you for your generosity and care for those in need in our local area.

## Schenectady County's Roots – Help

The "Project To Discover Schenectady County's Eastern European Roots" has a regular newsletter. The group led by Phyllis Budka, who visited with us and shared pictures with us, would appreciate it if a family or two would share a family story. The next deadline is January 1st. They will also feature a story on Bishop Padewski of our Church. You can contact Phyllis by E-mail at [abudka@nycap.rr.com](mailto:abudka@nycap.rr.com). Phyllis can also assist with local genealogical studies.

## Polish Food Sale

Polish food orders will be taken from November 1st through December 12th. Pick up orders on December 18th from 10:30am till 1pm. See Stephanie or call her at 518-369-1346.

## Outrageous Valentine's Raffle

This coming year, 2017, we will once again hold our Outrageous Valentine's raffle to support the youth of our Church and our parish, including support for the annual KURS summer encampment. Tickets will be sent out shortly. They make great gifts as stocking or card stuffers. See Stephanie or call her at 518-369-1346.

## Moving to Year A

Readings from Scripture are part of every Holy Mass and hold a very special place of prominence in our holy Church – for through the proclamation and teaching of the Word we receive sacramental grace. The Sunday cycle of readings is divided into three years, labeled A, B, and C. A new cycle begins every First Sunday of Advent. Next Sunday we enter Year A. In Year A, we read mostly from the Gospel of Matthew.

## SOCL Classes

Parents are reminded that when they had their child baptized, they vowed to have the child educated in the Christian Faith. All youth of the parish should be enrolled and attend SOCL every Sunday.

Of note...

## Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea Chase, Nickole Mook, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Robert Dominy, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Szczepkowski, Derek Westcott, Dolores Konicki, Pastor Tom Kendall, Joshua Moraski, Sue White, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Mildred Lewis, Debbie Esposito, Ceil & Eddie Gibbons, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, Shirley Greene, Madison Sheridan, Reginald, Eddie Stover, Karen & Jacob, Sean and Jessie Wilcox, Snyder Family, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Vicky Stover, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Dennis, Donnie Wright, Fr. Ray Drada, Karen Kisch, Joe Emmanuel, Gregory Henderson, Muse En Lystrala, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith, Adam, Allyson Keyser, Richard and Suzette Place, Amanda Carr, Tyler Hoffman, the Hoffman Family, All in need of God's healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. Michael Angehr, Mark Collins, Patric Jones.
- 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
- The residents and staff of City Mission of Schenectady
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in the Polish National Catholic Church. This week we remember and pray for the clergy and people of Holy Trinity Parish, Washington, PA, Rev. Mark Swoger.

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

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. Please volunteer to help.

**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. Help is always needed for SOCL especially in instructing and encouraging our youth. Please see Fr. Jim.

--- Share the Spirit and invite others to the Kingdom of God. ---