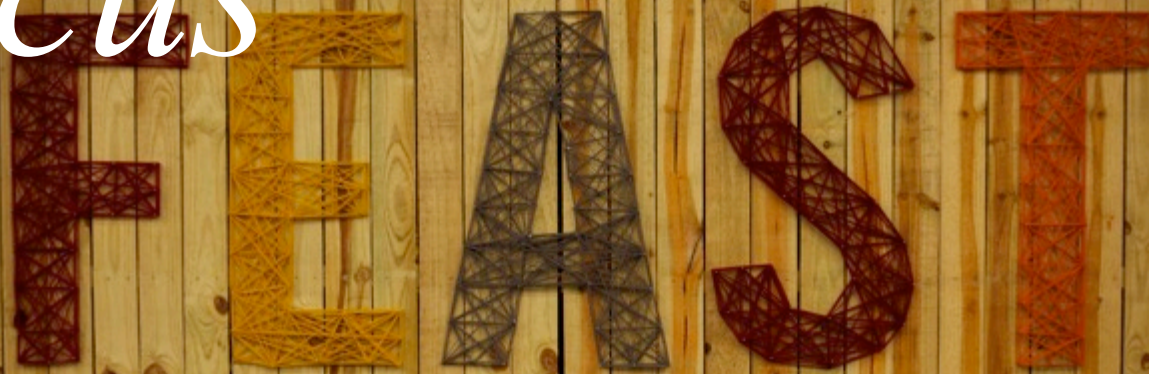


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*So eat and drink and do everything else for the glory of God*

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 24, 2013

## Solemnity of Christ the King

Uroczystość Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata

November 24, 2013

Rite: 9am Pew Missal, page 63

First reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Psalm: 122:1-5

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

Epistle: Colossians 1:12-20

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Intention: For all souls committed to our prayer

Celebrant: 9am Rev. Rafał Dadełło, Deacon: Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 8:50am with Matins.
- Holy Mass at 9am
- Coffee Hour, SOCL Class, Free Lunch on Sunday

## 1st Sunday of Advent I Niedziela Adwentu

December 1, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm: Ps 122:1-9

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

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Intention: For all souls committed to our prayer

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

Lector: Marilyn Heitala

- Worship begins at 9:25am with Matins, Blessing of Christmas Wafers, Blessing and Lighting of the Advent Wreath
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Exposition & Benediction, SOCL Class, Coffee Hour

*"And let us look at his most beautiful confession of faith. "Jesus, he says, remember me when You come in Your kingdom." You see Him crucified, and call Him a king: Him Who was bearing scorn and suffering, you expect to come in godlike glory: you see Him surrounded by a multitude of the Jews, and the wicked gang of the Pharisees, and Pilate's band of soldiers,---all these were mocking Him, and no single one of them confessed ..." – St. Cyril of Alexandria*

**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...

- **November 24: Solemnity of Christ the King at 9am/Free Lunch on Sunday**
- **November 28: Thanksgiving**
- **November 30: Feast of St. Andrew**
- **December 1: 1st Sunday of Advent**
- **December 6: Commemoration – St. Nicholas**
- **December 8: 2nd Sunday of Advent**
- **December 9: Feast of Divine Love/Conception of the B.V.M.**
- **December 15: 3rd Sunday of Advent, Holy Mass & Penitential Service at 9am/SOCL Presentation/Vigil Dinner**
- **December 22nd: 4th Sunday of Advent, Greening of the Church.**
- **December 24th-25th: Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord – Shepherd's Holy Mass/Pasterka at Midnight followed by a festive repast.**

## My Lord and King remember me

*Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

It is said that there are 3 kinds of people: Those who MAKE things happen; Those who WATCH what happens; and Those who WONDER what happened.

In today's Gospel we read of these three sorts of people.

The Roman soldiers, the Chief Priests, the Pharisees, and the other leaders thought they had all the power. They could MAKE anyone die on the cross, and today it is Jesus along with two thieves. They considered themselves as the powerful movers and shakers. They were

wrong.

Others stood by to WATCH. There was Mary, the other women who supported Jesus, and John. And, there were the thieves hanging there with Jesus. We could say that they were watching too – they had little choice.

One thief thought he could MAKE things happen. If he could mock and taunt Jesus enough, maybe there would be a grand miracle and he could go on his merry way freed from certain death. He too was wrong.

The other thief wasn't going to stand by and just WATCH. He was not going to MAKE things happen either, at least not of his own accord. He reached into himself and found the exact kind of humility that REALLY MAKES things happen. He found the strength to place his trust in this Man, hanging next to him, badly beaten, bloody, humiliated, and dying. He saw through the blood and gore to the right and

true. He saw that this Man was not just a man; rather He was God's Son, the Messiah, who MAKES everything happen, Who will save him completely and forever.

That thief reached out in humility. He saw Jesus as the promised King whose power would free Him from death in sin to eternal life. *"he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'"*

People have stood by for centuries WONDERING what happened. Caught up in sin and hopelessness they have looked at this scene and have failed to trust or find humility before their King Who MAKES all things possible. They have failed to ask Jesus to remember them.

We renew our assurance that Jesus will MAKE things happen in our lives, things that bring us goodness, rest, peace, and freedom from sin. We cannot just WATCH, nor should we WONDER. We must be that 4th kind of person – the men, women, and children of FAITH who ask and are assured.

*"Nathan'a-el answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"*

John 1:49

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 2:1-2  
MONDAY: John 6:15  
TUESDAY: Acts 17:7  
WEDNESDAY: Luke 4:5-8  
THURSDAY: Matthew 21:8-9  
FRIDAY: John 18:36-37  
SATURDAY: Hebrews 1:3

## Pray

Lord Jesus, You are my King and my Master. Grant that I may follow You loyally in all that I say and do.

## Food Collection

Cuts to SNAP and WIC have resulted in hundreds of thousands of low-income women, infants, and children losing needed nutrition assistance. Vulnerable families are going hungry, and are now completely dependent on food banks. We are responding by collecting dry and canned goods throughout the November and December for donation to those in need locally community. We will continue donations through Advent. Let us join in making a prayerful donation in thankfulness for the bounty God has provided in our lives. Please place your donation by the Mary altar in the church and bless you for your love.

## Advent and Year A

Next Sunday we enter into the season of Advent. This season is one of preparation – particularly for our souls. It is a penitential time where we are to reflect on our readiness to meet Christ when He returns. It is also a time where we join with each other to heal and reconnect. It is a perfect season to join with your family and friends in the family of the Church. Invite them to become part of a faith that looks forward in expectant joy. With the new liturgical year we will be using the readings from Cycle A.

## Memory Crosses

Holy Name of Jesus is continuing a tradition begun at Good Shepherd Parish in Amsterdam. Every year the people of Good Shepherd parish would offer memory crosses during the Advent season. These hand crocheted memory crosses, in honor of dearly departed loved ones, are hung on the parish Christmas trees throughout the Christmas season. Then in January a special Holy Mass is held in memory of those entrusted to our prayers.

Memory Crosses are and are a beautiful tribute of memory and a gift of loving prayer. If you wish to remember someone special during the upcoming Christmas season please send the names of those you wish remembered, one name per memory cross, to the parish. You may offer a free will donation in honor of your loved ones. A donation of \$2 per memory cross is suggested but is not required.

## Pampered Chef Thank You

Thank you to Stephanie who arranged for last week's successful event, Bob and Stephanie for the brunch they prepared, and Barbara Porter for her work for our parish. Thank YOU for your support.

## FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is today. 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.

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 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, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Jakub Kozina, 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 Szczepkowski, Richard, Bishop John, Derek, Jocelyn

- 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.
- The people of the Philippines.

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. John the Baptist Parish in Manchester, CT its congregation and pastor, the Rev. Henry Smolinski.

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

**Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour has returned. Join us after worship every Sunday. 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.