



WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH
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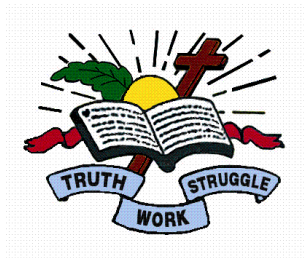
December 11, 2011

First reading: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11
Canticle: Luke 1:46-50,53-54
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

Intention: śp. Ferdinand, Steven, Benjamin, Marion Holly Ruchalski – offered by the family

Celebrant: Rev. Adam Czarnecki
Deacon: Rev. Mr. James Konicki
Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 10:20am with Matins.
- Advent Penitential Service and Holy Mass at 10:30am.
- Please join the SOCL students in a concert of Sacred and secular Christmas music.
- Our traditional Parish gathering for a Christmas Vigil (Wigilia) covered dish dinner will follow the SOCL presentation.



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Upcoming...

- December 24: Vigil of the Nativity/Wigilia
- Dec. 25: Solemnity of the Lord's Nativity/ Uroczystość Narodzenia Pańskiego.
 - Holy Mass at Midnight. Festive repast to follow.
 - Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am.
- Dec. 26: Feast: St. Stephen Proto-Martyr
- Dec. 27: Feast: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist – Blessing of wine
- Dec. 31: Solemnity: Holy Family
- Jan. 1: Solemnity: Circumcision of the Lord
- Jan. 2: Solemnity: Holy Name
- Jan. 29: Annual Congregational Meeting
- Feb. 26: Annual Budget Meeting

Advent 4

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December 18, 2011

First reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16
Psalm: Ps 89:2-5,27,29
Epistle: Romans 16:25-27
Gospel: Luke 1:26-28

Intention: For all parishioners living and deceased

Worship leader: Rev. Mr. James Konicki
Lector: Marilyn Heitala

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am.
- Greening of the church (decorating)
- Coffee Hour – please join us.

Bang, bang, bang

Is that Santa on the roof, or St. Paul?

St. Paul is writing to one of the Churches he founded. He's rattling off a whole bunch of instructions in short order at the very end of his letter:

Keep awake and be sober. Encourage one another. Build one another up. Respect those who labor among you. Be at peace among yourselves. Admonish idlers, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. Do not repay evil for evil. Always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always. Pray constantly. Give thanks in all circumstances. Do not quench

the Spirit. Test everything. Hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.

Paul is literally banging out instructions. If he had a typewriter, we could hear him pounding the message home.

During this time of preparation we need to hear Paul's message and to share it.

These instructions are not just wise sayings, good things to live by, or smart. They are urgent and necessary for us in our relationships with each other, our Church, and the world.

They are the foundation for our journey to heaven.

Jesus' coming changed life from a series of misfortunes and mishaps that ended in the emptiness of death to a path of holiness, righteousness, and faith that ends in eternal joy.

As we hear the doorbells ring and the guests knock, let us remember Paul banging away at these instructions. Paul ends by blessing us for following these instructions:

May the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus' coming is near. Let us renew ourselves so that we may be part of the joy that is forever.

Proverbs 10:28
"The hope of the righteous ends in gladness"

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 2:7-8
MONDAY: Matthew 2:9
TUESDAY: Matthew 2:10-11
WEDNESDAY: Matthew 2:12-15
THURSDAY: Galatians 4:4-5
FRIDAY: Ephesians 2:8-9
SATURDAY: 1 John 4:7-16

Pray
Jesus, I long for Your coming.

Advent Charity

For thou hast been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in his distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat – Isaiah 25:4

Looking at the history of Holy Name of Jesus parish, one cannot help but recognize the great works of charity carried out by its members. From great acts of charity to small measures of love and support, we stand by those in need.

This Advent is a perfect opportunity to once again stand with those in need. We offer the following opportunities:

Food Collection – Our Advent food collection began Sunday, Dec. 4th. Please bring canned and dry foodstuffs, baby needs, and other non-perishables for donation to local shelters and pantries.

Hat and Mitten Tree – This year, our Jesse tree will be focused on serving children and young people in need of warmth this winter. Please donate hats, mittens, and scarves to help keep them warm and secure against the cold.

Of note...

Giving: The parish's financial books close on Wednesday, December 31st. Your contributions and dues must be received on or before the 31st so that we may prepare documents for your income tax filings. God bless and reward you for your generosity in deed, treasure, and service in 2011.

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 – Men's Society of the Resurrection, 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

Praying for...

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, Art, Dee & Baby, Angela Kaminski, Carol Kosik, Eddy Stutz, Jim Kelly, Phil Haberlan, Jasimine Russo, Stanley Radzysinski, 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, Judy Palmer, Deb Couns, 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

- 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:

The Church's Armed Forces Chaplains

Rev. Lt. Col. Robert Pleczkowski
Rev. Capt. Andrew Bilinski
Rev. Capt. Stanley Jasiurkowski
Rev. Capt. Everett Spees

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

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.