

## Solemnity of the Baptism of our Lord Wspomnienie Chrztu Pańskiego

January 12, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

Psalm: Ps 29:1-4,3,9-10

**The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

Epistle: Acts 10:34-38

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Intention: For those the Church has baptized in 2013 and 2014.

Celebrant: 9:30am, Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Marilyn Heitala

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Breakfast Served

## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### II Niedziela zwykła

January 19, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Isaiah 49:3,5-6

Psalm: Ps 40:2,4,7-10

**R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Gospel: John 1:29-34

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: 9:30am, Rev. Mr. James Konicki

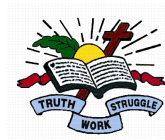
Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Coffee Hour

*As many as are persuaded and believe that what we [Christians] teach and say is true, and undertake to be able to live accordingly, and instructed to pray and to entreat God with fasting, for the remission of their sins that are past, we pray and fast with them. Then they are brought by us where there is water and are regenerated in the same manner in which we were ourselves regenerated. For, in the name of God, the Father... and of our Savior Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit, they then receive the washing with water. For Christ also said, "Unless you are born again, you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven". – St. Justin Martvr*

**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...

- **January 12th: Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord, 9:30am. Breakfast**
- **January 19th: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 9:30am. Free Lunch on Sunday**
- **January 18th – 25th: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**
- **January 26th: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 9:30am. Music Scholarship Sunday**
- **February 2nd: Solemnity – Presentation of the Lord, Blessing of Candles and Throats, Annual Congregational Meeting**
- **February 9th: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.**
- **February 16th: Pre-Lent Begins, Septuagesima Sunday, 61st Anniversary of the death of śp. Prime Bishop Francis Hodur**
- **February 17th: Presidents' Day**
- **February 23rd: Sexagesima Sunday**

Reveal what has been revealed to you

After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

We know that John preached a baptism of repentance. He was calling all of Israel to repent, starting with washing in the waters of the Jordan in preparation for the coming of the Messiah who was “at hand.”

Jesus obviously had no need for a baptism of repentance. He is God and is without any sin or error. John immediately recognized this as Jesus approached him: John tried to prevent him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?”

Yet Jesus came and insisted.

Jesus was baptized because He wished to cleanse the waters. We are baptized in the waters He cleansed, waters imbued with His grace of regeneration. In being baptized Jesus set an example for everyone who would follow him. After all, if the sinless Son of God would willingly enter the waters of baptism, how much more urgent is it that we be washed in the waters of regeneration.

While these reasons are of great importance to us, and are essential to our salvation, the key reason for Jesus’ baptism is that it was His anointing as King, High Priest, Prophet, and Messiah before all of Israel. In Acts we hear Peter telling Cornelius and his household that at the baptism of Jesus: God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power.

Jesus, sent by the Father to inaugurate the Kingdom definitively was anointed by the

Holy Spirit and presented before all as fulfilling His office.

The beauty of our Epiphany-tide is that in it we celebrate the moments of Jesus’ revelation. He became known to the poor and lowly through the humble shepherds. The gentiles and the wider world knew Him through the Magi. He became known to all of Israel and took His rightful place through the fullness of revelation at His baptism where the Father called Him “my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” and where all heard it and saw the Holy Spirit descend upon Him in the form of a dove.

In the waters of regeneration we became one with Jesus. He is revealed to us in His word. Through the Church and our family we learn all about Him. We must bring the epiphany to others; making them aware of what has been revealed to us. Invite and welcome them to the waters of regeneration, to oneness with Jesus, and to a share in His kingdom with us.

“Jesus answered, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.’”

John 3:5

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: John 3:22  
MONDAY: John 4:1  
TUESDAY: Acts 8:36  
WEDNESDAY: Acts 10:47  
THURSDAY: Acts 22:16  
FRIDAY: Titus 3:5-6  
SATURDAY: 2 Kings 5:14

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me the grace to fully live my baptismal commitment.

Epiphany Home Visits

Deacon Jim is available to visit with any parishioner who is hospitalized, homebound, or unable to get to church. He will bring Holy Communion – Jesus’ extraordinary gift of love. Epiphany home blessings start January 7th and continue through March 4th. See or call Deacon Jim to set up a time to have your home blessed.

Welcome Ariel Linette

Congratulations and God bless Ariel Linette Dopp on her baptism yesterday, January 11th. God bless her parents Amber & Neal, grandparents, great-grandparents, and godparents Warren & Rebekah.

STAR for Seniors

Renewal applications for Enhanced Senior School Tax Relief (STAR) exemptions for 2014 are due by March 1, 2014 in the City of Schenectady and other locations in New York State. Seniors must renew their exemption. Applications are available at Schenectady City Hall, 105 Jay St., Room 8 or online at www.tax.ny.gov

Official Announcement CHANGE

Our annual congregation meeting will be held on Sunday, February 2nd along with the election of a new Parish Committee. If you or someone you know would like to be part of the leadership team, please write your name, theirs, or better yet, both of yours down along with the office (Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Secretary, Trustee) you would like to run for. Drop them in the collection basket in an envelope marked nominations.

Your help in this very important aspect of our Church governance is really needed and appreciated.

Music Scholarship Sunday

Music Scholarship Sunday in January 26th. Pray for the music ministry in our parish and Church. Your donations on this day supports the music scholarships that help to train musicians for the Church’s future. Scholarship applications are available online at nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com

Food Collection Continues

Our collection of dry and canned goods will continue. We will also be placing our annual soup pot out for donations toward Souper Bowl Sunday, February 2nd. All of these efforts help people right here in our neighborhood.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday and Change

Our next free lunch will be held on January 19th. 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. Starting this month our free lunch on Sunday program moves to the 3rd Sunday of every month.

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 Radzynski, 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, 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, Daniel Springsteen, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski.

- 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. Francis Parish in McHenry, IL and its congregation and pastor, Rev. Bogumil Czaja.

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.