

# 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time IV Niedziela Zwykła Music Scholarship Sunday

January 29, 2012

First reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalm: Ps 95:1-2,6-9 R. If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Intention: For all parishioners living and deceased

Celebrant: Rev. Adam Czarnecki Deacon: Rev. Mr. James Konicki

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Holy Mass at 9:30am.
- Coffee Hour please join us.
- Annual Congregational Meeting

## Septuagesima Sunday Niedziela Siedemdziesiątnica

February 5, 2012

First reading: Job 7:1-4,6-7

Psalm: Ps 147:1-6 Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

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.
- Blessing of candles and throats
- Exposition and Benediction
- Coffee Hour please join us.

#### Contact

#### **Holy Name of Jesus**

National Catholic Church, PNCC 1040 Pearl Street

Schenectady, New York 12303-1846 Parish and Hall: 518-372-1992 Fr. Adam Czarnecki: 518-842-3241

Deacon Jim Konicki:

518-765-2134 or 518-522-0944

On the Web: www.holynamencc.org

## Upcoming...

- Feb 2: Solemnity Presentation (Blessing of Candles)
- Feb 5: Pre-Lent begins
- Feb 16: 59th Anniversary of the death of S+P Prime Bishop Francziszek Hodur - Requiem Service at 7pm
- Feb 22: Ash Wednesday Blessing and Distribution of Ashes at 7pm
- Feb. 26: Annual Budget Meeting
- Apr. 15: Basket Social

#### Freedom is not free...

But we are free because the Lord has delivered us!

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."

There was a lot of anxiety in 1897. The people of Scranton had scrimped and saved to build a church. The parish they had built, that their generous donations supported, didn't want them. They had been ejected from their former parish by a cruel pastor who demanded only obedience, who derided the hard working people, threatening them will hellfire. He sought only to be the lord and master of the people.

Think of their anxiety. They were outcasts, without a parish, without a pastor, without a spiritual home. Their investment

in a spiritual home was gone and its doors were shut to them. In their anxiety they reached out to God and in doing so found comfort in a pastor, a shepherd who made the grace of God available once again. Not a pastor who demanded to be their lord and master, but a pastor who was their brother, teacher, and guide; a pastor whose heart was for the people.

God sent Ś.P. Bishop Hodur to take their commission. He let them know the one key way to alleviate anxiety. It was not submission to priests, bishops, and a pope who defined themselves as royalty, as lords and masters, but instead

knowledge of the one Lord and Savior who frees us.

Bishop Hodur showed them the true Jesus who came to give us His word, to teach us, to show us the way to the Father. He showed them that Jesus was not preparing hellfire for His people, but rather the joys of heaven. He pointed and led to Jesus who takes up every one of our anxieties, big and small, and frees us; Jesus, who promises us joy.

Today we honor our freedom as we exercise our voice and vote in our annual parish meeting. This freedom was hard won, but has given us the best of all churches – one that is fully Catholic and fully democratic.

The people of Scranton took their anxiety to the Lord and He showed them the way, provided for them. Let us too rely on the Lord who has made us free

"Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God."

Philippians 4:6

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 23 MONDAY: John 14:27 TUESDAY: Psalm 42:11 WEDNESDAY: Psalm 37:1-5 THURSDAY: Matthew 6:33 FRIDAY: John 16:33 SATURDAY: Philippians 4:6-7

#### Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me Your comfort in the midst of cares and anxiety.

#### Music Scholarship Sunday

"Make a joyful shout to God all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious" (Psalm 66:1-2)

The last Sunday of January has been set aside by Synodal resolution as Music Scholarship Sunday, which puts special emphasis on the Music Scholarship program of the National United Choirs of the Polish National Catholic Church. It is the Sunday when the choirs, organists, directors and choir members should be recognized for their contributions to the music ministry of our church. It is also the Sunday when we look to the future and identify those that we hope will be part of the music ministry of the PNCC.

Music provides inspiration and pleasure to both the musician and the listener. It is the calling of every organist, choir member, accompanist, and musician to enhance the liturgy of the Holy Mass and special services.

The Music Scholarship program has a number of endowments, awards that are available to members of the PNCC, whether it is via instrument or voice, regardless of age. It is our duty to encourage and reach those individuals who have the potential and love of music.

Your financial support has provided us with the vehicle to make awards annually to deserving applicants. It is through your continued support that we have made financial assistance available to those who are interested in serving the music ministry.

Please give generously on Scholarship Sunday, encourage applicants for the program and remember our church musicians in your prayers. May God Bless You!

Please see Deacon Jim for scholarship applications or download them from <a href="https://www.nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com">www.nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com</a>.

### Of note...

**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 parish and potentially WIN! The Serendipity Calendar allows you to choose one or more numbers between 001 and

## 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 Radzyminski, 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:

Holy Trinity Parish, Woodlawn, NY its congregation and pastor, Fr. Gary Spencer.

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

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.

**Epiphany and Home Blessings**: Fr. Adam or Deacon Jim are available to come to your homes for the traditional Epiphany home blessing. Please see them to make an appointment. Blessing appointments are available through February 21st (prior to Ash Wednesday).

**Educational Opportunities**: Are available through the Capital Region Theological Center. Please see the flyer for their Winter-Spring course offerings on the bulletin board.