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WE WILL ALL BE CHANGED

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 16, 2014

2nd Sunday of Lent II Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

March 16, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Genesis 12:1-4

Psalm: Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Epistle: 2 Timothy 1:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Intention: For all parishioners

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, St. Joseph Litany
- Coffee Hour, SOCL and Confirmation Classes, Free Lunch

3rd Sunday of Lent III Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

March 23, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm: Ps 95:1-2,6-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts..

Epistle: Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Intention: śp. Charles Dziegiel; śp. Yolanda DiCocco – Anniversary of Birth

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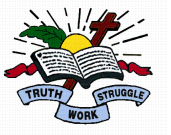
Lector: Larry Panfil

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The Lord reveals his glory in the presence of chosen witnesses. His body is like that of the rest of mankind, but he makes it shine with such splendor that his face becomes like the sun in glory, and his garments as white as snow. He was ...providing a firm foundation for the hope of holy Church. The whole body of Christ was to understand the kind of transformation that it would receive as His gift. The members of that body were to look forward to a share in that glory which first blazed out in Christ their head. – Saint Leo the Great, Bishop

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 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...

- **March 16th: 2nd Sunday of Lent**
- **March 19th: Solemnity – St. Joseph, Spouse of the B.V.M.**
- **March 21st: Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.**
- **March 23rd: 3rd Sunday of Lent**
- **March 28th: Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.**
- **March 30th: 4th Sunday of Lent**
- **April 4th: Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.**
- **April 6th: Passion Sunday, Basket Social**
- **April 11th: Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.**
- **April 13th: Palm Sunday**
- **April 14th-19th: Holy Week Liturgies**

NOTE:

CONVO 2014 registration packets and Music Scholarship applications are now available!

I hope for the change to come

He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began, but now made manifest through the appearance of our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

The Lord appeared in all His heavenly glory before three chosen Apostles at the Transfiguration.

Just a short time before Jesus had asked His disciples, "Who do the people say that I am?" And they answered, "John the Baptist; but others say, Eli'jah; and others, that one of the old prophets has risen."

The Church Fathers tell us that the primary purpose of this Transfiguration was to clarify, for them, Who and What He is –

God come to earth. It was also to reassure them.

Jesus knew the suffering, pain, humiliation, and disgrace He was about to face. He would be whipped and spit on, nailed naked to a tree in front of the entire city, His mother, brothers, and sisters. And, He would die. If He had not provided this glimpse of heaven, of Himself, His followers would have been completely crushed.

To further strengthen them they heard the voice of the Father - "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Going forth from that mountain Peter and James and John had a lot to think about. So do we.

We know that Peter, after having seen and experienced all this, still denied Jesus. Peter, James, and John would fall asleep in the Garden twice on the night of the Lord's arrest. None listened very well.

We have the benefit of having the testimony of witnesses to this

singular event, and the testimony of these witnesses to all Jesus said and did. We know that His death was not it, but that He would return gloriously resurrected. We have the witness of centuries of holy men and women, the saints, and our own ancestors who found strength, comfort, and power through faith and in and following Jesus. Yet, we too fall and fail. We may not outwardly deny Jesus, but we do fall asleep. We falter in our commitment. We fail to listen.

During this season of repentance and self-denial we are presented with the picture of Jesus in glory – the glory He offers to all of us. As Jesus did with the Apostles, He gives us this moment to strengthen our faith while we work toward the changes we must make in our lives. We are called to stay awake, to listen, to be changed. We clearly see not only His glory, but are helped in understanding that the struggles of today are nothing compared to the glory we will see, and change we will share, in the life to come.

"For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty."

2 Peter 1:16

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 13:8
MONDAY: Romans 12:1-2
TUESDAY: 2 Corinthians 4:16
WEDNESDAY: Jeremiah 29:11
THURSDAY: 1 Corinthians 15:51
FRIDAY: James 1:17
SATURDAY: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Pray

Lord Jesus, help me to see Your constancy and give me the grace to change through my Lenten practices.

Honoring St. Joseph

Did you know that our parish was originally founded as the parish of St. Joseph? This Wednesday, March 19th, is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the B.V.M. Today, we will pray the Litany of St. Joseph in honor of this special day.

As we reflect this week, let us recall Joseph, the silent man of the Gospels, part of the line of great men of faith. He is described as a "just man", a righteous man of integrity. For centuries his place in the story of Jesus was comparatively unnoticed. Gradually, the Holy Church recognized him as patron of fathers, of families, of bursars and procurators, of manual workers, especially carpenters, and of all who desire a holy death. St. Joseph, pray for us and our parish.

Lenten Charity and Devotions

The journey of Lent calls us to deeper prayer, charity, penance, and sacrifice. Through these efforts we affirm the life we should be living in Christ and work to repent of our excesses. When we finally arrive at our celebration of the gift of eternal life in Christ at Easter we are better prepared to live as His brothers and sisters. We are really ready to live as Christians.

How to prepare – church every Sunday, Stations of the Cross every Friday, fast, sacrifice through directed giving (bring in those canned and dry goods and place them by the Mary altar), make a conscious effort to live in Jesus' way every day.

Friend Sunday

Friend Sunday is March 30th. It is an annual day when churches join together and encourage their members to reach out and invite friends and family to a special service where friendship is honored and encouraged. The Friend Sunday movement hopes to reach every home in America with an invitation to church and ultimately into a relationship with Jesus. Our members are the most effective means of outreach. Why not honor a special friend to church on March 30th and let them know that we are praying for them and for you, that your friendship be blessed in a very special way.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is Sunday, March 16th. 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. Our free lunch on Sunday program is on 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 Colfells, 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, 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, Bishop John, Derek Westcott, Daniel Springsteen, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Beverly Ferguson, Edward Panfil, Alyssa DePaula, Jane Kopec, Pastor Tom Kendall, Ariel Linette Dopp, Irene Borowski

- 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 Students and Teachers at Mont Pleasant Middle School
- 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 Name of Jesus Parish in Milwaukee, WI and its congregation and pastor, Rev. Henry Galas.

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.