



WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 23, 2014

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

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, SOCL and Confirmation Classes

4th Sunday of Lent IV Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

March 30, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: 1 Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Psalm: Ps 23:1-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Intention: For all parishioners

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

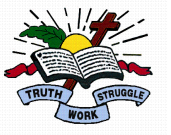
Lector: Claudia Bertasso

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- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Coffee Hour, SOCL and Confirmation Classes
- Friend Sunday breakfast

The woman straightway believed, showing herself much wiser than Nicodemus, and not only wiser, but more manly. For he when he heard ten thousand such things neither invited any others to this hearing, nor himself spake forth openly; but she exhibited the actions of an Apostle, preaching the Gospel to all, and calling them to Jesus, and drawing a whole city forth to Him. Nicodemus when he had heard said, "How can these things be?" And when Christ set before him a clear illustration, that of "the wind," he did not even so receive the Word. But the woman not so; at first she doubted, but afterwards receiving the Word not by any regular demonstration, but in the form of an assertion, she straightway hastened to embrace it. – Saint John Chrysostom

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 23rd: 3rd Sunday of Lent**
- **March 25th: Solemnity of the Annunciation of the B.V.M.**
- **March 28th: Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.**
- **March 30th: 4th Sunday of Lent**
- **April 1st: Anniversary of the Birth of Bishop Francis Hodur (1866)**
- **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**
- **April 20th: Solemnity of the Resurrection (8am and 10:30am)**

NOTE:

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

I hope, and will not be disappointed

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

We have all been disappointed at one time or another. These disappointments may be big or small. Perhaps a spouse, child, or friend has let us down. Maybe a job didn’t come through. Maybe we didn’t win the lotto. Depending on our experiences we may find ourselves trusting less and less in hopes and dreams. If we have been let

down a lot we may find that any offer of hope leaves us cold. We may find that we cannot even grasp onto hope at all. Faith changes that perspective. A change takes place in our psychology, in our state of life, in our ability to hope when we become true believers. Hope seen through faith no longer leaves us cold; it warms us. Hope seen through faith allows us to reach out and grasp God’s offer of life. Our proclamation of faith, our regeneration, brings us to peace and confidence in the hope God offers us. What is key is that this hope is not an invented hope. The hope we have comes to us through the outpouring of God’s love. This love flows from the action of the Holy Spirit. This is God’s perfect, free love. It remains with us and in us engendering hope – even when we fall and fail. It call us to renewal, repentance, and forgiveness.

God’s love is so strong that it looked past the failings, the disloyalty, the evils committed by men and women. It looked past faults and failing with a love so strong that God came to us and offered Himself for us. As St. Paul says, *Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person ... but God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.* Our Lord Jesus Christ is the great Peace-bringer, the Mediator between God and man. We have the proof of witnesses and history to support our hope. Jesus picked us up from our brokenness to new life, a life filled with hope. We said we would trust on the day we accepted Jesus. Now, in our Lenten journey, we are called to renew our trust. We are called to affirm the fact that God will not disappoint us. Whenever we face suffering, disappointment, or letdowns, let us reach out to God with confidence; the hope that says: we will not be disappointed.

"I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death."

Philippians 1:20

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 6:18
MONDAY: Hebrews 6:19
TUESDAY: Psalm 119:116
WEDNESDAY: Acts 2:33
THURSDAY: Romans 9:33
FRIDAY: Jeremiah 17:5
SATURDAY: 1 John 4:18

Pray

Lord Jesus, help me! Renew my trust in You and strengthen my hope is Your promises.

Annunciation of the B.V.M.

Tuesday, March 25th is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the B.V.M. On this day let us remember that God always offers us a choice. In order to carry out His plan for humanity’s salvation He needed the cooperation of the Blessed Virgin. The angel came to her and presented God’s plan to her. She was not forced or coerced into saying yes to God’s plan. In fact, her life would become more difficult if she said yes. Still, she did say yes to God. God constantly asks of us. He calls us to follow Him, to live in His way. It isn’t always easy, yet God gives us the grace we need to follow Him loyally. Pray this week for Mary’s intercession so that we may receive the grace to say yes to whatever God asks of us.

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. Let us **make a conscious effort to live in Jesus’ way every day.**

Basket Social

Our Basket Social is **only 3 weeks away**. This fundraiser effort supports many of our parish efforts. Please join in and help by donating a few baskets and invite many to join us. God bless you for your generosity and thank you for supporting your parish.

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, April 20th. 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, 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, 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: Our Savior Parish in Mosinee, WI and its congregation and pastor, Rev. Zbigniew Talaga.

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.