



3rd Sunday of Easter

III Niedziela po Wielkanocy

April 10, 2016
Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.
First reading: Acts 5:27-32,40-41
Psalm: Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-13
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.
Epistle: revelation 5:11-14
Gospel: John 21:1-19

Intention: 9:30 śp. Henry J. Wehner; 11:30 for Vincent John and his family
Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki
Lector: 9:30am Derek Westcott, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Easter Lauds at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite)
- Coffee Hour, SOCL Classes
- Holy Mass and Baptism at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

Good Shepherd Sunday

Niedziela Dobrego Pasterza

April 17, 2016
Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.
First reading: Acts 13:14,43-52
Psalm: Ps 100:1-3,5
We are his people, the sheep of his flock.
Epistle: Revelation 7:9,14-17
Gospel: John 10:27-30

Intention: for our parish
Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki
Lector: 9:30am Larry Panfil, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Easter Lauds at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- BASKET SOCIAL at Noon

Do not hesitate to go in the dark of the night to those places where you usually feel afraid. The slightest concession to this weakness means that this childish and absurd infirmity will grow old with you. So as you go on your way, put on the armor of prayer, and when you reach the spot, stretch out your hands. Flog your enemies with the name of Jesus, since there is no stronger weapon in heaven or on earth. And when you drive the fear away, give praise to the God Who has delivered you, and He will protect you for all eternity, provided you remain thankful. The servant of the Lord will be afraid only of his Master, while the person who does not yet fear Him is often scared by his own shadow. – St. John Climacus

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 Father Jim know so he might visit, pray with, anoint, and bring Jesus’ healing presence to them. Call Fr. Jim at 518-522-0944. You may also call Fr. Mark Gnidzi.

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Upcoming...

- **April 10: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am with Baptism.**
- **April 17: Good Shepherd Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Basket Social at Noon at the Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center.**
- **April 18: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee meets.**
- **April 22-24: National Mission & Evangelism Workshop, Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, South Milwaukee, WI.**
- **April 24: 5th Sunday of Easter, Holy Mass time TBD.**
- **April 25: Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist**
- **April 26-27: Supreme Council Meets in Lancaster, NY.**
- **April 30: Solemnity – St. Joseph the Workman.**
- **May 1: 6th Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**

We invite all who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist to partake. It is our practice to distribute the Holy Eucharist by intinction. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue, never in the hand.

Witnessing to Jesus without fear.

When the captain and the court officers had brought the apostles in and made them stand before the Sanhedrin, the high priest questioned them, “We gave you strict orders, did we not, to stop teaching in that name? Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching.” The Sanhedrin ordered the apostles to stop speaking in the name of Jesus, and dismissed them.

Last week we heard of John’s witness. His witness to new life in Jesus was recorded near the very end of the apostolic era. Today we see a glimpse into the beginning of that era.

The apostles had recently experienced the infusion of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. They never asked – What was that? The first thing they did was to stand on a balcony and proclaim the coming, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus, the Messiah, the Christ, the Son of God. They spent the weeks

and months ahead preaching, not to gather followers, but to share the saving work of Jesus. They wanted everyone to know about God’s wonderful gift of freedom and Jesus’s glorious gift of friendship, the very same friendship He offered to them at the seashore. The apostles did not preach themselves as some sort of new leadership. They did not point to themselves as having anything to offer – they offered what they had – their witness to Jesus Christ crucified, raised, and ascended.

Today we will welcome Vincent John into the family of Christ. What we hope and pray is that in his life he will see each of us witness strongly to Jesus crucified, raised, and ascended. Hopefully, he will never see any one of us putting ourselves before the proclamation of Jesus. Hopefully, he will see and find in the Church his new and eternal family. Hopefully, he too will take up the mantle of witness so

that his children and his children’s children will know Jesus as friend and savior – the One Who offers complete freedom.

Together with Vincent we have this great opportunity, but it comes with what might be seen as a problem... Jesus’ witnesses will not go without worldly assault. There is a cost to accepting Jesus. This arrest marks the third time they had been apprehended. Soon Stephen would be chosen, would proclaim and witness, would be arrested and would be martyred. The apostles’ greatest witness is that opportunity in Jesus is greater than any challenge. It is why they lived fearless lives.

Vincent, as we have all done, takes on the opportunity and challenge. His is the call to witness to the promise of God’s friendship and freedom, which is greater than any fear. That is the real glory isn’t it? The reward is that all of us have complete power and assurance in Christ. No fear in us because of Him. Ours is fearless life forever!

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Joshua 1:9

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Isaiah 41:10
MONDAY: Psalm 34:4
TUESDAY: Romans 15:13
WEDNESDAY: Habakkuk 3:2
THURSDAY: Exodus 20:20
FRIDAY: Numbers 23:19
SATURDAY: 1 John 4:4

Pray

Lord Jesus, remove all fear. Grant that I may stand strong in Your truth and without fear each and every day.

Thank you

To Pete and his team for having repointed the church chimney and repairing and replacing the tile in the lower entryway. Your efforts are much appreciated as we continue to invest in our infrastructure and our neighborhood.

Basket Social

Our ever-popular Basket Social with so many baskets is almost ready to go. Thank you for your generosity and creativity!!! Thank you to Donna Panfil and all who assisted her in getting everything ready – Larry, Liz, Marilyn, Shirley, and Marianne. God bless you.

As always, you know the baskets are great when everyone visiting the church hall has dibs on several baskets - ‘I’m going to win that one...’

The Basket Social will be held Sunday, April 17th, starting at noon, AT A NEW LOCATION: **The Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center, 2639 Hamburg St, Schenectady, NY 12303.** Be sure to invite friends and family to attend.

Sad news, glorious news

This past week Rev. Frederick Mechowski and Joan Kaminski were born to the glories of eternal life. Fr. Fred served our parish for many years. Details of his funeral are not yet known. The wake for our sister Joan, wife of Jack Kamiski, will be held Tuesday from 4-7pm at the New Comer Funeral Home. The funeral will be Wednesday at 10am. Eternal rest grant unto your servants O Lord!

Music Scholarship Applications

With the 2015 Music Scholarships, the Church has given out 1059 scholarships totaling \$298,085. Applications for the 2016 Scholarship Program are available at <http://nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com/music-scholarship-application.html> and Junior Incentive Award applications are available at <http://nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com/junior-incentive-application.html>. We strongly encourage all who can to apply. The deadline for applying is May 15, 2016.

Kurs and CONVO

Kurs and CONVO are not that far off. Youth who will be attending CONO should get there applications in as soon as possible so we make take advantage of the discounted early bird rate.

Bible Study

The last Wednesday of each month we will hold an Ecumenical Bible Study at 7:30pm. Please stop by and join is to support this ministry. Please plan to join us on Wednesday, April 27th.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is May 15th. 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, Laura Covari, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Stanley Radzynimski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Bonnie Nelson, Mariea Chase, Nickole Mook, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Janet Spurck, Robert Dominy, Wayne Balnis, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Szczepkowski, Derek Westcott, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Pastor Tom Kendall, Irene Borowski, Joshua Moraski, Sue White, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Mildred Lewis, Debbie Esposito, Ceil & Eddie Gibbons, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, Shirley Greene, Diana and Georgette Hannoush, Madison Sheridan, Resaan, Kathleen, Dan, William, Jeremy, Alison, Reginald, Eddie Stover, Karen & Jacob, Sean and Jessie Wilcox, Snyder Family, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Vicky Stover, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Dennis, Donnie Wright, Fr. Ray Drada, Umar Abdur-Rahman, Karen Kisch.

- All in need of God’s healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. Michael Angehr, Mark Collins, Pattric Jones.
- 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
- The residents and staff of City Mission of Schenectady
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in the Polish Catholic Church. This week we remember the people of Elevation of the Holy Cross Parish, Żagań, Poland and its administrator, Rev. Stanisław Stawowczyk.

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is held every week after 9:30am Holy Mass. Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. All are welcome to join with us each week. If you can, please help out.

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 Father Jim.

--- Share Easter joy and invite others to glory in the cross of Jesus at Holy Name. ---