

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 23, 2017

Low Sunday Niedziela Przewodnia

April 23, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 2:42-47

Psalm: Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love is everlasting.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Intention: for śp. Florence Collins, for all parishioners

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki

Lector: 9:30am Daniel DiIanne, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

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

3rd Sunday of Easter III Niedziela po Wielkanocy

April 30, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 2:14,22-33

Psalm: Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

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That unfailing Light, the Light of wisdom, speaking through the cloud of the flesh, says to men, I am the light of the world; he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. How He has withdrawn you from the eyes of the flesh, and recalled you to the eyes of the heart! For it is not enough to say, Whoso follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have light; He added too, of life; even as it was there said, For with You is the fountain of life. See thus, my brethren, how the words of the Lord agree with the truth of that psalm: both there, the light is put with the fountain of life, and by the Lord it is said, light of life. But for bodily use, light and fountain are different things: our mouths seek a fountain, our eyes light; when we thirst we seek a fountain, when we are in darkness we seek light; and if we chance to thirst in the night, we kindle a light to come to a fountain. Not so with God: light and fountain are the same thing: He who shines for you that you may see, the same flows for you that you may drink.. – St. Augustine

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 Gnidzinski at 518-453-2258.

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Upcoming...

- **April 23: Low Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **April 25: Feast, St. Mark the Evangelist.**
- **April 25-26: Supreme Council Meets**
- **April 30: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **May 1: Solemnity – St. Joseph the workman (translated) and Feast, Ss. Philip and James, Apostles.**
- **May 3: Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross.**
- **May 5-6, National Mission and Evangelism Workshop, Woodland Park, NJ**
- **May 7: Good Shepherd Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Basket Social at Noon.**
- **May 10: 66th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Bishop Joseph Padewski.**
- **May 14: 5th Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day, May Crowning. 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.

In or out of the cave?

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you

Imagine living our lives in a cave. We can see nothing but images projected on wall in front of us. We are prevented from knowing their true nature. To us, these shadows are our reality. We may name and define the shadows. We may create and entire understanding based on these shadows. But what, if suddenly, we were able to break free from this perceived reality to see things as they really are?

On this Low Sunday let us return to the cave where Jesus had been buried.

In all the encounters in and around that cave, from the burial of Jesus to just after his resurrection, we find

people deciding how they would live.

The Jewish leaders had asked for a guard for the tomb. They knew Jesus’ claims. They asked Pilate for soldiers. "You have a guard," Pilate said. "Go, make the tomb as secure as you know how." So they went and made the tomb secure by putting a seal on the stone and posting the guard.

The guards who had been there the morning of the resurrection ran off to Jerusalem to report what had happened. A meeting with the elders was called, and they decided to give the soldiers a large bribe. They told the soldiers, “You must say, ‘Jesus’ disciples came during the night while we were sleeping, and they stole his body.’ If the governor hears about it, we’ll stand up for you so you won’t get in trouble.” So the guards accepted the bribe and said what they were told to say.

The elders and the guards decided

they would live in the cave, to stay there in a world of shadows, refusing to acknowledge the truth.

Peter and John went into the tomb, as did the women who arrived first. They saw the reality. Perhaps not understanding it fully, they still accepted and witnessed by leaving the cave behind.

St. Peter praises God today for a new birth to a living hope. He recognizes the fact that the tomb – Jesus’ tomb and in fact his and our tombs, those caves, are to be left behind. We have reality, understanding – and best of all an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us.

Jesus works to lift us up out of our caves. When we are stubborn like St. Thomas was, He will confront us. He will ask us to see reality and to hope – not just a hope of desire, or of wanting things to be a certain way – but hope that is evident. Let us set forth into the sunlight of Jesus, leaving caves behind.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:5

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: 1 John 1:5
MONDAY: John 11:10
TUESDAY: Acts 26:18
WEDNESDAY: Luke 1:79
THURSDAY: John 3:19-21
FRIDAY: 1 Thessalonians 5:5
SATURDAY: Colossians 1:13

Pray

Lord Jesus, draw me out of my caves and into Your light.

Thank you!!!

One of the hymns you often hear in our parish is “For the Beauty of the Earth.” Its first stanza and refrain call us to rejoice and recognize all God has done for us in His creation:

For the beauty of the earth
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies.
Refrain: Lord of all, to Thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful praise.

A heart-felt Thank You is extended to everyone who helped out on Earth Day. Our team of volunteers was able to cover and clean up along Pearl St., Wing, Main, Chrisler, Ostrander, parts of Crane, and around the Middle School. It was a real joy and our neighbors were thankful for our effort. A huge thank you to Alyssa for her inspiration and work in setting this all up.

Two Weeks – Basket Social

Our 15th Annual Basket Social is right around the corner. It is being held at the Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center, 2639 Hamburg St, Schenectady, New York 12303 on Sunday, May 7th starting at noon. Invite friends and family to come out for an afternoon of fun, great food, and a chance to win one or more wonderful baskets. We will be offering great Polish foods for lunch.

Of course, we could really use your help – please donate a basket or two (or three, or...). This fundraiser is our largest and we have been blessed through the years as a result of your generosity and hard work.

Also, please note the Holy Mass schedule change for that day. There will be only one Holy Mass at 10am

Mother’s Day – In Three weeks

If we are lucky enough to have mom, grandma, aunts, and godmothers still with us – let us pray with them. If departed, let us pray together for them. Join us on Mother’s Day.

Kurs and Music Scholarships

Kurs and the deadline for music scholarship applications are not that far off. Youth who will be attending KURS should watch their mailbox and the KURS Facebook group for applications. Music Scholarships are due May 1st.

Upcoming Events

- The annual women’s inspirational conference: It Is Well With My Soul... Mind & Body on Saturday, April 29th in Queensbury, NY.
- Music Scholarship Applications are due May 1st.
- 17th Mission & Evangelism Workshop at Holy Cross Parish, Woodland Park, NJ. May 5th.
- 2017 Spring Women of Worship conference is being held on Saturday May 6th, 8 am to 4 pm at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church in Colonie, NY.
- 72nd Annual Bowling Tournament at the Church of the Transfiguration, Wallington, NJ, May 19th-21st.
- National United Choirs Convention and Workshop, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Manchester, NH, July 26th-28th.

Of note...

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Robert & Stephanie Dominy, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Szczepkowski, Derek Westcott, Dolores Konicki, Pastor Tom Kendall, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Ceil & Eddie Gibbons, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, Shirley Greene, Madison Sheridan, Eddie Stover, Karen & Jacob, Sean and Jessie Wilcox, Snyder Family, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Vicky Stover, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Dennis, Donnie Wright, Karen Kisch, Joe Emmanuel, Gregory Henderson, Muse En Lystrala, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith, Adam, Allyson Keyser, Richard and Suzette Place, Amanda Carr, Tyler Hoffman, the Hoffman Family, Daniel Dilanne, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo Diianne, Cassandra Wade, Garry Packer, 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 National Catholic Church. This week we remember and pray for the clergy and people of St. Adalbert’s Parish, Dickson City, PA. Very Rev. William Chromey, Pastor.

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.