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*"The God of heaven, He will prosper us;
therefore we His servants will arise and
build." (Neh 2:20)*

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MAY 14, 2017

5th Sunday of Easter

V Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 14, 2017

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

First reading: Acts 6:1-7

Psalm: Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19

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

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel: John 14:1-12

Intention: for the health and healing of Madison Dunlap

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

Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Easter Lauds at 9:20am. May Crowning. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). May Marian Devotion
- Mother's Day Breakfast
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

6th Sunday of Easter

VI Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 21, 2017

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

First reading: Acts 8:5-8,14-17

Psalm: Ps 66:1-7,16,20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel: John 14:15-21

Intention: for sp. John Winarski, for all parishioners

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

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

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–St. Cyprian of Carthage

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...

- **May 14: 5th Sunday of Easter, Mother's Day, May Crowning, Breakfast. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **May 19-21: 72nd annual YMSofR/PNCC Bowling Tournament, Wallington, NJ.**
- **May 20: Armed Forces Day**
- **May 21: 6th Sunday of Easter, Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **May 22: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting.**
- **May 23: Commemoration of the Martyrdom of Jerome Savonarola.**
- **May 25: Solemnity of the Ascension of our Lord. Holy Mass at 7pm**
- **May 28: 7th Sunday of Easter, Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **May 29: Memorial Day. Holy Mass at Holy Name of Jesus Cemetery at 10am (weather permitting).**
- **June 1-30: Sacred Vocations Month – pray for many vocations to the priesthood and diaconate among the men of our Church and that they have courage to follow them.**

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.

Mom’s construction job.

For it says in Scripture: Behold, I am laying a stone in Zion, a cornerstone, chosen and precious, and whoever believes in it shall not be put to shame. Therefore, its value is for you who have faith, but for those without faith: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, and A stone that will make people stumble, and a rock that will make them fall. They stumble by disobeying the word, as is their destiny. You are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

So how can I possibly tie together the themes from this Sunday’s scripture with Mother’s Day? In the gospel, Jesus is beginning His disciple’s preparation for His passion. The words of our gospel are then from the beginning of Jesus’ pre-Passion discourses meant to help

envision a horizon that extends beyond Easter to life in the community of faith after Jesus is no longer visibly present with his followers. The Acts narrative speaks of the appointment of the first deacons (a scripture that has always been very dear to my heart). St. Peter reflects on scripture that seems to have more to do with God as builder. He talks about cornerstones and stumbling blocks and how the two are in One. For some of us older folks, it is hard to imagine mom in a construction vest and hard hat laying down a line of mortar with a trowel. How would that beehive fit under the hard hat? What we may have failed to perceive is that our moms were our first encounter with construction workers. The good moms in our lives (this could have been a grandmother,

aunt, other woman) did all they could to build us up into God’s solid people. The key thing they did was to help us understand the place Jesus wants in our lives. He wants us to see Him as our cornerstone, He is the One we build upon, we develop from Him. With Him as our cornerstone, we do not stumble, we do not fall. He is our Rock – the stable place we can always go to. The good women in our lives follow the model of Mary who points to Jesus, who holds Him out to us as our foundation. They don’t put themselves first, but rather the craftswomen who make us fully human – into buildings that will stand forever. Without their work, their building, we stumble and fall. Without them our destiny is one of limited potential, limited effect, people whose destiny is brokenness – like crumbling and decaying buildings soon to fall to the ground. With our lives built on the true Cornerstone we are thankful for their craftsmanship.

As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

Isaiah 66:13

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Proverbs 31:25-30
MONDAY: Proverbs 3:1-10
TUESDAY: Psalm 119:11
WEDNESDAY: Exodus 20:12
THURSDAY: 1 Timothy 5:8
FRIDAY: Proverbs 18:22
SATURDAY: Titus 2:4-5

Pray

Lord Jesus, bless the women of the Church, Your strong witnesses and the first builders of faith in You.

Basket Social Thank You

Our 15th Annual Basket Social took place last Sunday. It was a wonderful success. We raised over \$6,600. First, we thank Donna Panfil for her leadership of this effort and Mariane Weglinski for her food as well as all who chipped in to work, to prepare baskets, for being so generous and loving. We thank all who attended and supported this event. We have been blessed through the years as a result of **your** generosity and hard work. Thank you. God will reward the blessings you have offered.

“Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full--pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.” -- Jesus

Mother’s Day

Today is Mothers Day. Please take a flower for mom and honor mom through prayer. Thank mom for all that she has done for you. If you feel your mother has let you down and wasn’t what you think she should have been, then you can still honor her by being thankful that she gave you life and by forgiving her. If your mother has entered eternity, you can honor her and show your love by praying for her, for the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is the God of the living, not of the dead.

Mother Mary

The Holy Church dedicates the month of May to Mother Mary. Today, we will crown the statue of Mary to show forth the honor and devotion she rightly deserves for her yes. Mary always pointed to Jesus. She is recorded as one among the original followers of Jesus in Jerusalem after the resurrection. Mary was significant in Jesus’ life and formation, and for this reason we honor her, especially during the month of May. Let us take a moment each day to reflect on her ministry and example and ask Jesus to help us become more like her. At the end of each Holy Mass we will offer special Marian devotions.

New Online Giving Option

Our parish website has a new online giving option. You may donate, offer a memorial donation or a donation for a special need, or pay you membership dues online. See www.holynamencc.org/giving/.

Kurs

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.

Upcoming Events

- 72nd Annual Bowling Tournament at the Church of the Transfiguration, Wallington, NJ, May 19th-21st.
- Independence Day Celebration, Holy Mass, and Picnic, Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Waymart, PA, July 1st.
- Kurs 2017. Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Waymart, PA, July 1st-8th.
- 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 DiLanne, Cassandra Wade, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, 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 Good Shepherd Parish, Plymouth, PA. Rev. Lucian Urbaniak, 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.

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