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No Fear

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JUNE 25, 2017

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XII Niedziela zwykła

June 25, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 82.

First reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13

Psalm: Ps. 69:8-10,14,17,33-35

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Epistle: Romans 5:12-15

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

Intention: for vocations.

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

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

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour, First Communion/Confirmation classes.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XIII Niedziela zwykła

July 2, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 82.

First reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16

Psalm: Ps 89:2-3,16-19

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Epistle: Romans 6:3-4,8-11

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

Intention: for the youth of the Church

Celebrant: 11:30am Rev. Mark Gnidzinski

Lector: 11:30am Larry Panfil

- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

...So as you go where fright will lay hold of you, put on the armor of prayer, and when you reach the spot, stretch out your hands and 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 grateful... – 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 Gnidzinski at 518-453-2258.

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Upcoming...

- **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.
- **June 25: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time.** Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- **June 26: Parish Committee Meeting** at 7pm.
- **June 29: Feast** – Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles
- **July 1: Kurs Begins.** Annual Independence Day Holy Mass and Picnic at Waymart, PA starting at noon.
- **July 2: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time.** Holy Mass at 11:30am ONLY.
- **July 3: Solemnity of the Visitation**
- **July 4: Independence Day**
- **July 6: Commemoration of John Hus,** Priest and Martyr
- **July 9: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time.** 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.

Real, present, help. No fear!

Jesus said to the Twelve: "Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.

I have had quite a week. Actually, a week-and-a-half. It has been filled with a constant barrage of work, travel, preparation for Church events. I have been in nine cities in seven days, with two more to go. I will be leaving to chaplain Kurs in less than a week. After that I am off to Baltimore and will be filling in for Fr. Mark at our neighboring parish. This weekend was my son's high school graduation. We had family and friends with us with all the incumbent preparation that entails. Coincidentally, as we prepared for his graduation party, his first college

bill came in the mail. Somewhere in here is a parish committee meeting.

As I read Jesus' words and prepared for today, I said – this makes total sense. Not just "Fear no one..." but really, with Jesus, fear nothing!

This is one of those scriptures that speaks to us where we are. So it is as we enter Ordinary Time in the Church year. These scriptures will speak to where we are and will urge us to deeper spiritual formation, authentic responses to God's call in the midst of our challenges, and to a renewed commitment to mission and evangelism.

Today's scripture translates into a call to fearless witness. How easy it is to get overwhelmed by life, by the many pushes and pulls on our schedules. In the midst of the storm, we are called to remember that Jesus is with us. He is with us to tell us that as long as we cling to Him we will make it through.

More than that, we will come out victorious. We are reminded that we can be like Jesus, in the back of the boat, in the midst of the storm – sound asleep and at peace.

Jesus tells us that we need not fear the "hosts of evil" around us however they might show up or appear in our lives. Jesus is with us and in control.

What places us in Gehenna? It is those things we think are greater than God. Is a crazy schedule, travel, messes of meetings and obligations greater than Jesus? Absolutely not! We are to take these challenges and flip them on their head. We are to see and use them as opportunity to deepen our faith in Jesus as our strength. Our authentic response is to freely praise God and to publicly acclaim Christ as Lord over all; giving public account *for the hope that is in us*. Let us live daily acknowledging, trusting, abiding in, and praising God's real and present help – no fear.

"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: Exodus 20:20
WEDNESDAY: 1 John 4:4
THURSDAY: Romans 15:13
FRIDAY: Romans 8:28
SATURDAY: Philippians 4:6

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me a spirit of abiding trust in You. May Your strength show forth in my life.

Thank You

A special thank you to Joanne and her daughter Stacy for preparing a lovely Father's Day breakfast. Thank you to Alyssa and Linda for completing the beautiful flowers that have been planted around the parish.

Memory Eternal – Bishop śp Thomas Gnat

The previous bishop of the Eastern Diocese, the Rt. Rev. śp. Thomas Gnat entered into his eternal reward on June 21st following a lengthy illness and failing health. Bishop Gnat was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was ordained a priest of the PNCC on Sept. 18, 1958. From September 1958 to 1959, Father Gnat was assistant pastor at St. Stanislaus Cathedral. In February 1959, Father Gnat was assigned as pastor of St. Francis PNC Parish in the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., and for a time served as administrator of Holy Cross PNC Parish in Baltimore, Md. During his pastorate in Washington, D.C., Father Gnat represented the Polish National Catholic Church in many instances at national and international events. He was appointed senior priest in 1978, and the same year was elected a bishop of the church and consecrated a bishop in St. Stanislaus Cathedral, Scranton, by the late Prime Bishop Francis Rowinski on the Feast of St. Andrew on Nov. 30, 1978. Bishop of the Eastern Diocese, serving from Nov. 1978 until Nov. 2011. May he rest in peace, and we extend our condolences to his wife Katherine, son Joseph, the rest of his family. Att services will be at St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, P.N.C.C. Cathedral, 529 East Locust St., Scranton, PA 18505. Viewing: Monday, June 26th, 5 until 7 p.m., Vespers at 7 p.m. Funeral: Tuesday, June 27th, 10:00 a.m.

We Need Bras

We are looking for gently used or new bras with tags (preferably) to donate to the Free the Girls organization through the Zonta Club of Albany. Bring in your new or gently used bras and place them in the box located in the parish hall throughout the summer.

Please Pray for Vocations

June is the month of prayer for Sacred Vocations. Please offer this prayer daily: *Heavenly Father, Master of the harvest, we humbly ask You to send more laborers into Your fields, for the work is indeed great. Grant more faithful priests and deacons to Your Polish National Catholic Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.*

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.holynamenc.org/giving/.

Upcoming Events

- 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, Donnie Wright, Karen Kisch, Joe Emmanuel, Gregory Henderson, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith Adam, Allyson Keyser, Richard and Suzette Place, Amanda Carr, Tyler Hoffman, the Hoffman Family, Daniel DiIanne, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo DiIanne, Cassandra Wade, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Fr. Sr. Stanley Skrzypek, Fr. Sr. Edward Ratajack, Rev. Mr. Michael Seward, 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, Patric 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 Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, McAdoo, PA. Rev. Bogusław Janiec, Pastor.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobjłogosław 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.

--- Introduce others to the Holy Spirit at Holy Name. ---