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HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JULY 3, 2016

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XIV Niedziela Zwykła

July 3, 2016

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

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

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Epistle: Galatians 6:14-18

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12,17-20

Intention: 11:30am for all parishioners

Celebrant: 11:30am Rev. Mark Gnidzinski

Lector: 11:30am Marilyn Hietala

- Matins at 11:20am. Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XV Niedziela Zwykła

July 10, 2016

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Psalm: Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Epistle: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all parishioners

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

Lector: 9:30am Larry Panfil, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

And reckon ye that it is for your sakes we have been saying these things; for it is in our power, when we are examined, to deny that we are Christians; but we would not live by telling a lie. For, impelled by the desire of the eternal and pure life, we seek the above that is with God, the Father and Creator of all, and hasten to confess our faith, persuaded and convinced as we are that they who have proved to God by their works that they followed Him, and loved to abide with Him where there is no sin to cause disturbance, can obtain these things. This, then, to speak shortly is what we expect and have learned from Christ and teach.-- St Justin Martyr

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...

- July 2-9: Kurs
- July 3: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 11:30am ONLY
- July 4: Independence Day Holy Mass and Picnic, Waymart, PA starting at 11am
- July 6: Commemoration of John Hus, Priest and Martyr
- July 10: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and at 11:30am.
- July 17: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- July 18: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting at 7pm.
- July 24: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- July 25 - 29: CONVO 2016 at St. Anselm's College, Manchester, NH
- July 25: Feast of St. James the Greater, Apostle.

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.

What will stop Jesus?

At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves."

Thirty-six, what can we do with thirty-six? With thirty-six dollars we could hire an actuary, a Sports Agent, or a Nuclear Power Reactor Operator for an hour. We could hire a Physical Therapist for an hour's treatment. We could buy a fairly good meal at a good restaurant. We could get three drinks at the Palm Beach Marriott Singer Island Beach Resort & Spa. We could get a whole mess of stuff at our local dollar store. The point is that with thirty-six dollars we couldn't do a lot. We would be limited. Thirty-six isn't a lot.

What could Jesus accomplish with only a few? This is a powerful moment. Jesus cuts His first followers loose on the world. He sends them out. There are only seventy-two. Thirty-six pairs of disciples who go out to witness and proclaim the kingdom.

What was it about these thirty-six ordinary pairs of people? They'd listened to Jesus for a while. Not exactly like going to college or a long-term course of study. Jesus' instructions aren't even that detailed. So what would these thirty-six be able to do?

Jesus gave them an essential mission. Tell people who receive you: *'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.'* They went and they did it – then came back rejoicing. They were successful. They focused on one thing that Jesus asked and that was all that was needed. The word was spread. By this proclaiming people came to know about the kingdom. A kingdom they had part of by their faith.

We might now think, wow, with only thirty-six pairs of people so much seems to have been done. Unfortunately things did not get great immediately. Things went backwards. Once the Great Preacher and Teacher was arrested, tried, and killed many ran away. Was it fear or no earthly kingdom? We cannot say for sure, but in the end twelve counting Judas' replacement and a handful of supporters were left in the upper room.

We know the story – they were filled by the Holy Spirit and preached the Kingdom to the ends of the earth. Yet they were only twelve. They were small, uneducated, and unpopular. They went out *like lambs among wolves*. Within days some would be arrested. One was already dead. But nothing stopped them. Nothing was more powerful than their faith. They were victorious because regardless of obstacles faith overcame. And their names are written in heaven.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Acts 1:8

MONDAY: Revelation 11:3

TUESDAY: Mark 16:15-16

WEDNESDAY: 1 Peter 3:15

THURSDAY: Matthew 5:16

FRIDAY: Isaiah 43:10

SATURDAY: 1 Corinthians 9:22

Pray

Lord, Grant me the grace to witness to you everywhere and regardless of obstacle.

Matsiko World Orphan Choir

The Matsiko World Orphan Choir performed for us this past Tuesday. While turnout was not as large as expected, those who attend were treated to a wonderful, powerful, and touching performance by some of the poorest orphaned and at-risk children from Peru, India & Liberia. The Matsiko children were so warm and loving. We shared a great meal and these young people captured our hearts with their attitude of hope and joy. The kids sang with a passion and meaning that powered past tragedy. Thank you to all who supported them. Your life-changing charity provides them and others with a great and life changing chance for education. God bless the children and chaperones of the Matsiko World Orphan Choir!

March Schenectady for Jesus

March Schenectady for Jesus will be held on Saturday, July 30th starting at 12pm from Jerry Burrell Park. The March brings together the faithful and the churches of Schenectady to witness to our Lord and Savior by walking together in His Holy Name. To honor His Holy Name we hope that many parishioners will turn out and join in. There will be refreshments and entertainment back at the park after the walk. Please let Fr. Jim know if you can participate so a March T-shirt can be ordered for you. Jerry Burrell Park is located off Hamilton, Paige, and Schenectady Streets near Albany St. in Schenectady.

Food Collection

We have begun our annual summer food collection for those in need locally. Hunger knows no season and need isn't limited to Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Lent. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. Please leave your donations by the Mary altar now through July 31st.

CONVO and Kurs

CONVO is not that far off. Youth who will be attending CONVO should get their applications in as soon as possible. See Fr. Jim with any questions.

Please keep Fr. Jim and all Kurs attendees in your prayers this week.

Come, let us reason together...

We continue to hold a unified Church bible study founded on the word of God and God has blessed this effort. This month's theme will be: Unity in the body of Christ led by pastors from Gathered Remnant Ministries. Join everyone on the last Thursday of every month. Due to conflicts with CONVO the next Bible Study will be held on August 25th at 6pm.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch coincides with our summer parish and community picnic on August 21st. 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, 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, 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, Madison Sheridan, 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, Karen Kisch, Joe Emmanuel, Gregory Henderson, Muse En Lystrala, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski.

- 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 St. Stanislaw Kostka Parish, Lucca, Italy, its people and clergy Very Rev. Claudio Bocca and Rev. Mr. Paolo Leone.

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

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. We are taking a break from coffee hour for the summer months.

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 the Spirit and invite others to the Kingdom of God. ---