

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XIV Niedziela zwykła

July 5, 2015

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Psalm: Ps 123:1-4

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Intention: 9:30 - For all parishioners.

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am and Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite)
- First Communion Class
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15)

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time XV Niedziela zwykła

July 12, 2015

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Amos 7:12-15

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki Lector: 9:30am Derek Westcott, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am and Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite)
- First Communion Class
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15)

Since the Lord warns us, saying, You are the salt of the earth, and since He bids us to be simple to harmlessness, and yet with our simplicity to be prudent, what else, beloved brethren, befits us, than to use foresight and watching with an anxious heart, both to perceive and to beware of the wiles of the crafty foe, that we, who have put on Christ the wisdom of God the Father, may not seem to be wanting in wisdom in the matter of providing for our salvation? For it is not persecution alone that is to be feared; nor those things which advance by open attack to overwhelm and cast down the servants of God. The enemy is more to be feared and to be guarded against, when he creeps on us secretly; when, deceiving by the appearance of peace, he steals forward by hidden approaches, whence also he has received the name of the Serpent. – 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 518-437-1889.

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Upcoming...

- July 5: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- July 6: Commemoration of John Hus, Priest and Martyr
- July 12: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- July 13: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm and Parish Committee Meeting.
- July 19: 16th Sunday in Ordinary
 Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and
 11:30am. Free Lunch on Sunday
- July 21-24: National United Choirs Convention and Music Workshop, Dupont, PA
- July 25: Feast of St. James the Greater, Apostle
- July 26: 17th Sunday in Ordinary
 Time. Holy Mass at 11:30am only.
 Commemoration of Ss. Joachim &
 Ann. Parents of the B.V.M.
- August 2: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.

And You are

When the Sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands! Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

Do we mimic Jesus' encounter with the people from His native region by failing to recollect His reality and how very important and essential He is to us?

Of course, very few people would say they hate Jesus. Where they fail is in seeing the reality of Jesus. Like the people of His native village, the world wants Jesus to be who they want Him to be. They neither expect nor want God to walk among them, to enter into their lives, or to challenge them to go His way.

The gospel shows us that the people of Jesus' native place expected a carpenter. They pigeonholed Jesus. When He upset their apple cart and challenged them to see differently, they were offended rather than changed.

What do we expect to find when we meet Jesus? Was He only a man, a philosopher who said nice and helpful things that we can choose to accept or ignore? Is He the god of our own making who exists merely to confirm and accept whatever we wish confirmed and accepted? Is He the god of magic blessings and cures? Is He a 'plumber,' on call in case of emergency? Do we keep Him safely on a refrigerator magnet, the bookshelf, or the Rolodex just in case? Is He the god of unchallenging love?

Jesus upset the expectations of those in His native place and He should upset our expectations.

The most challenging aspect of

being a Christian is whether we will pigeonhole Jesus or if we will accept Him in the fullness of His godhead. If He is a mere shadow of what He truly is then He is not God. He had worked as a carpenter - and that is all His community members saw - that one side. As a result of their expectations they took offense and limited Him.

Jesus proclaimed marvelous words and a life affirming philosophy but He is not just a philosopher. He healed and is there in a pinch, but He is more than an on-call fixer. He is never a god of our making. His message of love and way of love is always a challenge. It is a challenge to complacency and to our expectations.

Will we limit Him in our lives? Will we fail to recognize Him and how important He is? Will He be more important than anything to us? Will he offend us or will we be set free by His reality? Accepting Him and taking up His challenges sets us free. It makes us amazing in Jesus' eyes.

will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, i possible, even the elect.

Matthew 24:24

Time to Study God's Word

WEDNESDAY: Hebrews 11:6 THURSDAY: 1 Timothy 4:1-3

Pray

Wonderful Independence Day

We had a wonderful Independence Day celebration beginning with Holy Mass at the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center in Waymart, PA. Our young people are beginning their second day of Kurs today. Please pray for their safety. Fr. Jim will be returning to Kurs on Thursday, July 9th to hold Holy Mass for the Kurs attendees and will also present on St. Paul - God's unlikely choice.

Summer Food Collection

As is our parish tradition, we are taking up a summer food collection for those in need locally. We are reminded that hunger knows no season – those in need hunger year-round, not just at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and during Lent. The food will be donated to Schenectady Inner City Ministries. God bless your generosity!

John Hus – Priest & Martyr

On July 6th, our Holy Church commemorates John Hus who was killed by the Roman Catholic Church for his teachings.

Hus was a priest, a scholar, and one of the very first to speak openly about abuses in the Church. He sought reform predominantly focused on ridding the Church of ethical abuses and assumptions of earthly power. He did not seek sweeping theological change. He saw the Church as an entire body destined for salvation. Christ, not the bishop of Rome, is its head. 'It is no article of faith that one must obey the bishop of Rome to be saved.' After Hus' martyrdom Pope Martin V issued an order that all supporters of reformers like Hus be slaughtered. The crusaders sent to kill them lost, as did the second and third crusades, which also failed.

As a Church who began with the same reforming focus as Hus, the Holy Polish National Catholic Church holds John Hus in high esteem as a martyr of reform.

Receiving the Holy Eucharist

We invited all who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist to partake of this Holy Sacrament. It is the practice of the PNCC to distribute the Holy Eucharist through the method of intinction. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue, never in the hand.

Holy Mass Intentions

Reminder... you can ask Father Jim to offer Holy Mass for any intention be it in remembrance and prayer for the faithful departed, on a birthday or anniversary, for health and healing of yourself or a loved one, for a service member, and for many other worthy reasons. Just see Fr. Jim and let him know.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is July 19th. 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.

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Stanley Radzyminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Bonnie Nelson, Mariea Chase, 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 Sczepkowski, Derek Westcott, <u>Dolores</u> Konicki, <u>Nellie</u> Kucharski, <u>Pastor Tom</u> Kendall, Irene Borowski, Ted Zebrowski, Joshua Moraski, Sue White, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Martha Fields, Mildred Lewis, <u>Debbie</u> Esposito, <u>Lisa</u> Wilson, <u>Ceil & Eddie</u> Gibbons, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Fr. Sr. Thaddeus Dymkowski, <u>Lucas</u> Taylor, <u>Joanne</u> Bauer, <u>Shirley</u> Greene, <u>Diana</u> and <u>Georgette</u> Hannoush, <u>Madison</u> Sheridan, <u>Michael</u> Angehr, Resaan, Kathleen, Dan, William, Jeremy, Alison, Reginald.

- All in need of God's healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United
- 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 Dormition of the B.V.M. Parish, Stąporków, Poland and its pastor Rev. Paweł Walczyński

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is on summer hiatus until September 13th. Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. All are welcome to join with us each week starting again September 13th.

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.

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