

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time XVII Niedziela zwykła

July 26, 2015

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

First reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm: Ps 145:10-11,15-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6 Gospel: John 6:1-15

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: 11:30am Rev. Mark Gnidzinski

Lector: 11:30am Marilyn Hietala

• Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite)

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time XVIII Niedziela zwykła

August 2, 2015

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

First reading: Exodus 16:2-4,12-15

Psalm: Ps 78:3-4,23-25,54

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Epistle: Ephesians 4:17,20-24

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Intention: 9:30 - 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, Free Lunch on Sunday
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15)

The power, indeed, was in the hands of Christ; but those five loaves were as seeds, not indeed committed to the earth, but multiplied by Him who made the earth. In this miracle, then, there is that brought near to the senses, whereby the mind should be roused to attention, there is exhibited to the eyes, whereon the understanding should be exercised, that we might admire the invisible God through His visible works; and being raised to faith and purged by faith, we might desire to behold Him even invisibly, whom invisible we came to know by the things that are visible. – 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 518-437-1889

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Upcoming...

- 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.
- August 3: Feast Finding of the Body of St. Stephen
- August 6: Solemnity –
 Transfiguration of the Lord
- August 9: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- August 10: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm.
- August 15: Solemnity Dormition of the B.V.M.
- August 16: 20th Sunday in Ordinary
 Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and
 11:30am. Picnic
- August 23: 21st Sunday in Ordinary
 Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am
- August 24: Feast St. Bartholomew, Apostle.

Provisions, not just supplies.

Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted.

Dictionaries tell us that provision means items of goods or supplies, especially food, obtained for future use. It can also mean money set aside for a future event.

I grew up in Buffalo. Along William Street were the former meat packing plants that supplied food for much of the nation. I remember riding along in the car as we passed the various "provision" companies that remained: Elk Provisions, Camellia (Cichocki) Provisions – I get hungry just thinking about these places. Locally we may have passed Pede Brothers Italian Food or Orlev Provision Company.

Now we are ready to run out and get some great Polish or Italian food. If we visit these provision houses we are well aware of the requirement going in – we have to pay for the things we need.

Today's gospel message reminds us that God's provision is quite different.

The Church calls God's provision grace. In First Communion and Confirmation class we discuss God's grace in detail. Our children and youth learn that grace is God's help given to us through the merits of Jesus Christ for our salvation. Grace is free to us-it is both a request and an offering of God's love held out for us to freely accept and use. We can accept or reject this gift. If we chose to accept it, we fulfill God's request and He gives us more and more grace to help us toward perfection.

That is all kind of theological. In its essence grace is God's provision, His providing for us as

our true Heavenly Father and Brother. God loves us so much that He wants to be in every part of our lives. He wants to be with us and in us so that He may provide for us in all areas of life. Scripture draws beautiful pictures of this provision God caring for the lilies of the field and birds of the air – yet how much more important we are than they.

Our Father is there with grace at hand – all for us whether we are in a really good place or in a bad stage of life where we just don't know where to turn. He is there with provision in hand if we are well off or in over our heads financially or emotionally or spiritually. He is there providing in the midst of noise, quiet, or loneliness.

We are called to acknowledge and recognize God's provision even thought we might not know exactly how that provision may come. His grace, His provision is more than temporary supplies that come and go and can even spoil. His love will never spoil or destroy – only save.

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus

Philippians 4:19

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 11:6 MONDAY: Matthew 7:7 TUESDAY: Romans 8:32 WEDNESDAY: James 4:1-2 THURSDAY: 1 John 3:22 FRIDAY Psalms 84:11 SATURDAY: Psalms 34:10

Pray

Lord Jesus, I praise and thank You for providing me with every good thing. Grant that I may use Your gifts for Your kingdom.

Upcoming Events

Please be sure to keep your calendars open for the following upcoming events:

- August 10th Healing Holy Mass
- August 16th Blessing of Herbs in honor of the Dormition of the B.V.M. and Parish/Community Picnic
- September 9: National PNCC Webinar on Brotherly Love

Summer Food Collection

As is our parish tradition, we are taking up a summer food collection for those in need locally through July. The food will be donated to Schenectady Inner City Ministries. God bless your generosity!

Helping Out Our Sister Claudia

Our sister, Claudia Bertasso is competing in the Miss Spirit of New York Pageant. One of the parts of the contest is to get "Likes" for her photo on the Pageant's Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/capitalregionpageants/photos/a.15995506 https://www.facebook.com/capitalregionpageants/photos/a.1599550

Missionary Outreach

"The reason I think we have become stagnant in our missionary life in North America is that we have focused far too much on the "logistics" of talking to the world. We try to speak in the same language that the politicians speak, or the same language that other religious traditions use; we try to be "culturally relevant;" we try to be socially acknowledged—none of which really helps us in our missionary work. It is a delusion to think that if we become more ingrained into the political system, if we become more accepted socially or culturally, that we'll then be able to speak more effectively to the people. It's never been the people that have "blended in" that have been the good missionaries. It's been the people who stood out, who spoke even when people did not want to hear what they had to say." -- Archimandrite Irenei (Steenberg)

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. Just see Fr. Jim and let him know what you want.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch and picnic is August 16th. 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, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Pastor Tom 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, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, Shirley Greene, Diana and Georgette Hannoush, Madison Sheridan, Michael Angehr, Resaan, Kathleen, Dan, William, Jeremy, Alison, Reginald, Eddie Stover, Marianna Martineau.

- All in need of God's healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- 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 Holy Apostles Saints Peter and Paul Parish, Kielce, 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.

Of note