



Solemnity of the Transfiguration

Uroczystość Przemienienia Pańskiego

August 6, 2017

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

First reading: Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

Psalm: Ps. 97:1-2,5-6,9

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-19

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Intention: for Most Rev. śp. Francis Rowinski

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). Exposition and Benediction
- First Communion/Confirmation classes.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XIX Niedziela zwykła

August 13, 2017

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

First reading: 1 Kings 19:9,11-13

Psalm: Ps. 85:9-14

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Epistle: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Intention: for Most Rev. śp. Thaddeus Zielinski

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

Lector: 9:30am Derek Westcott, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

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

“Hear Him,” therefore, unhesitatingly, in Whom I am throughout well pleased, and by Whose preaching I am manifested, by Whose humiliation I am glorified; because He is the Truth and the Life, He is My Power and Wisdom. Hear Him, Whom the mysteries of the Law have foretold, Whom the mouths of prophets have sung. Hear Him, Who redeems the world by His blood, Who binds the devil, and carries off his chattels, Who destroys the bond of sin, and the compact of the transgression. Hear Him, Who opens the way to heaven, and by the punishment of the cross prepares for you the steps of ascent to the Kingdom? Why do you tremble at being redeemed? Why do you fear to be healed of your wounds? Let that happen which Christ wills and I will. Cast away all fleshly fear, and arm yourselves with faithful constancy; for it is unworthy that you should fear in the Savior’s Passion what by His good gift you shall not have to fear even at your own end. – St. Leo the Great

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...

- **August 6: Solemnity of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 13: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 15: Solemnity - Dormition of the B.V.M. Holy Mass at 6:15pm.**
- **August 19: 3rd Annual National Golf Tournament. Elma, NY**
- **August 20: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10:30 ONLY. Picnic.**
- **August 21: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm.**
- **August 24: Feast – St. Bartholomew**
- **August 26: Solemnity of Our Lady of Częstochowa**
- **August 27: Youth Sunday, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 28: Parish Committee Meeting at 7pm**
- **August 29: Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist**

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.

Did that happen?

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him.

As we look into the experience of Peter, James, John, and Jesus at the Transfiguration we first face the question of: Why did this happen? Is there a specific purpose for this account? Let’s take a moment to analyze the possibilities.

The Transfiguration was limited to only a few of the apostles. Why weren’t all apostles invited? Often times the Transfiguration is used to point to the fact that Jesus wanted to give His apostles reassurance before his Passion. If they were to face His humiliation and death, and maintain some level of faith, seeing Jesus in His Divine state would provide this reassurance. So, the question, why

weren’t the rest of the apostles there, why were they excluded from this Divine reassurance?

Perhaps the Transfiguration was to point to the fact that Jesus is the fulfillment of both the Law and the prophecies. The appearance of Moses and Elijah who represent all the Law and the words of the prophets signifies that fact. More than that, Jesus transcends the Law and the Prophet as the Father’s voice directs the apostles, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Again, who would know all this except Jesus and the three apostles?

The whole episode of the Transfiguration adds little to nothing to the public ministry and teaching of Jesus. It had no direct import on the wider public Jesus was trying to draw into the Kingdom. In fact, Jesus told the apostles to keep silent about it, to tell no one, until after His resurrection. Yet it is recorded in three gospels and Peter speaks of

it in his second letter. Why so?

When something totally and remarkably unusual happens, a lot of people refuse to believe it. We can see this with the moon landing in 1969. There are people, who to this very day, refuse to believe it happened. The Transfiguration event is certainly amazing, it is certainly beyond our comprehension, and that’s exactly why it is recorded. It is recorded because it is unique to people of faith. We, Christians own this event by our faith in Jesus. Only the faithful get it and are changed by it.

The word "transfigured" means a change to the outside so that it matches what is inside. The remembrance of Jesus’ transfiguration is our call to get it and be changed by it. It is our call to show faith that holds hope greater than fear, that allows us to shine in godly destiny, to overcome the earthly with glory. Let us then be changed –believing our astounding God holds amazing joyous life for us.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Luke 6:43-44
MONDAY: Acts 2:1-4
TUESDAY: Deuteronomy 31:6
WEDNESDAY: James 1:17
THURSDAY: Proverbs 19:2
FRIDAY: Numbers 23:19
SATURDAY: Ephesians 4:22-24

Pray

Lord, grant that I may be the new person You have destined me to be. Transfigure me!

Summer 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 August 31st.

Summer Picnic – Please Join Us

Planning for our summer parish and community picnic to be held Sunday, August 20th is well underway. There will be one holy Mass that day at 10:30am and the picnic will immediately follow on the parish grounds. The tent, tables, and chairs have been ordered. We look forward to seeing everyone there along with your family and friends. The picnic is open to everyone. The parish will be providing hot dogs and hamburgers – and we would appreciate it if you could bring a dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table. Thank you and god bless you.

Special Intentions

The month of August calls to memory two of our Prime Bishops who entered eternal life only one week apart in 1990. On August 4, 1990, the Most Rev. Francis Rowinski died. He was the fourth Prime Bishop of our Holy Church, serving as Prime Bishop from 1978–1985. We will remember him in prayer during our Holy Mass today. On August 11, 1990, Most Rev. Thaddeus Zielinski died. He was the third Prime Bishop of our Holy Church, serving from 1968–1978. We will remember him in prayer on Sunday, August 13th.

Spójnia Sunday

On September 24th, we commemorate the historic association of the Polish National Union (PNU) and the Polish National Catholic Church and reaffirm the commitment of the PNU in the many fields of Christian endeavor. As we celebrate Spójnia Sunday let us always remember to support the efforts of our sister organization as the PNU continues to support the members, clergy and parishes of the PNCC. For more information on the PNU please contact the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352.

HOW THE PNU HAS HELPED YOU CONTEST - Think of the many benefits the PNU has offered through the years and come up with a creative way to show others “How the PNU Has Helped You.” Create a short video, photo collage, musical performance, poster, or some unique way for you to demonstrate the benefit you’ve received as a member of the PNU. You can do so individually, as a family or group, or as a parish. Be creative! The winner will receive \$500 and the runner-up will receive \$250. Deadline for submission is October 16th. Send your entry to Spójnia Sub-committee, c/o Kathy Nemkovich, via email at kathynemkovich@gmail.com, or mailed to: 37 Winthrop St., Fall River, MA 02721. Winners will be announced in November 2017.

Be sure to check out the Spójnia Sunday 2017 Facebook page!

Upcoming Events

- Third Annual YMS of R Golf Tournament in Elma, NY, August 19th.

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, 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 St. Valentine’s Parish, Philidelphia, PA. Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, Pastor.

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is on summer break. Thank you to all who assisted with this ministry of hospitality. See you in September.

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. ---