



HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

## Solemnity of Brotherly Love Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 10, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 39, Canon, page 52.

First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

R. Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation.

Epistle: 1 John 4:17-21

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Intention: for the people of Texas, Louisiana, Florida, and Mexico.

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 (Hodur Rite).
- Coffee Hour/First Communion/Confirmation classes.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Hodur Rite).

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXIV Niedziela zwykła

### BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY – BELONGING

September 17, 2017

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

First reading: Sirach 27:30 – 28:7

Psalm: Ps. 103:1-4,9-12

**The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

Epistle: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Intention: for all in search of belonging.

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

***And if any one closely look into this, he will find that nothing should be more guarded against by the Christian, nothing more carefully watched, than being taken captive by envy and malice, that none, entangled in the blind snares of a deceitful enemy, in that the brother is turned by envy to hatred of his brother, should himself be unwittingly destroyed by his own sword. – 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 518-453-2258.

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## Upcoming...

- **September 10: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Coffee hour resumes.**
- **September 11: Prayer Service - 16th Anniversary of 9/11/2001 at 7pm.**
- **September 14: Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross.**
- **September 15: Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrows.**
- **September 17: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Back to Church Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Breakfast. PLEASE INVITE SOMEONE.**
- **September 18: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting.**
- **September 21: Feast - St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist.**
- **September 24: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Spójnia Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. SOCL Classes Resume.**

### SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY

We are taking up a special second collection after Holy Communion to support those ravaged by weather and earthquake. Contributions will be combined church-wide to support relief efforts.

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.

Love is  
hard – and worth it.

when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper

In the course of less than half-a-day, the Samaritan had the courage to walk up to a total stranger who was in trouble, used his personal store of oil and wine to clean this stranger’s wounds, bound the strangers wounds with his cloths, gave up his ride to let this stranger ride, took the stranger to an inn where he took care of him – meaning he fed him, kept him company, and assisted the stranger in every way he needed (consider he was likely taking care of the stranger’s bathroom needs too), and then having to leave, took from his own money and offered that too. He also pledged to come back again and make up any difference. These things cost, and

pretty dearly. Beyond the outright cost of oil, wine, bandages, rides, a place to stay, and two days wages (\$405 average in New York as of today). The Samaritan lost at least a day’s business. This little escapade – helping the stranger – likely cost the Samaritan at least \$1,000 in today’s money.

Interestingly, economists have spent a lot of time and effort in studying Jesus’ parable. Jesus isn’t just for philosophers, theologians, and clergy anymore. “The Good Samaritan and Traffic on the Road to Jericho” by Ted Bergstrom studies situations where people encounter an unsatisfactory state of affairs and must decide whether or not to act or leave it for someone else.

Bottom line, the question of “Who is my neighbor?” involves estimating the cost and deciding on whether it is worthwhile or not. It is sad that we still ask this question, still count the cost. Look at the News or social media and we see debate – who is my neighbor?

Many want what the lawyer wanted – that some people are not. The immigrant is not, the person with the different skin tone is not. The person whose religious beliefs are different or who has no religious beliefs is not. No, according to God we must be neighbor to all. We must act.

The stranger was hurt by violence and neglect. He was saved by one who saw him as neighbor. Jesus, the Samaritan, touched the unclean, went to the lost, outcast, and those in need. Jesus spent it all – far more than \$1,000 – His very life – to save His neighbors.

What does it look like to love someone, to act? Is anyone off limits? Is any cost too high? Is any mile too far? Are there boundaries? Jesus’ answer to the lawyer in us is that we must have no boundaries or limits. We have been touched by complete love. Our response is to act, to pay it all, and to find complete joy and satisfaction in loving like Jesus.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace

1 Peter 4:10

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Malachi 3:10  
MONDAY: Matthew 6:19-21  
TUESDAY: Proverbs 3:9  
WEDNESDAY: Isaiah 55:2  
THURSDAY: Proverbs 3:9-10  
FRIDAY: Proverbs 19:17  
SATURDAY: Luke 12:15

Pray

Lord, grant that all the gifts I have received may be used to fulfill Your mission, entrusted to me: To love my neighbor.

All Saints – 80th Anniversary

All Saints parish in Rome, NY is celebrating its 80th anniversary along with confirmations on Saturday, September 23rd. Holy Mass is at 11am. All are invited. Should you wish to attend the banquet at 1pm that follows at the Beeches, tickets are \$30 for adults, \$10 for children with a choice of prime rib, salmon, or chicken cordon blue. Please contact the parish at 315-337-2382 to reserve tickets.

Belonging!

Next Sunday is Back to Church Sunday. We are that place where people can belong. Invite friends, family, and neighbors to experience that sense of belonging and peace. Join us. Invite someone. Sing it out on your way here. We will have breakfast too.

Youth Commission Raffle

The PNU is hosting a raffle to benefit its College Stipend Program. Donations for tickets are \$5 each or 3 tickets for \$10. The First Prize is \$400 cash; Second Prize is a Beats Pill Plus Bluetooth Speaker; and Third Prize is an Apple TV. Tickets on the back table.

National Women’s Conference

“Who Am I?” – The first ever PNCC National Women’s Conference will be held at the Erie Courtyard Marriott & Bayfront Conference Center in Erie, PA from October 18-21, 2017. There is a discount for registrations received by August 15th. The National Board considers the conference a gathering, a getaway, a retreat, and an event all wrapped together to provide a venue for women to learn, rediscover, and discuss topics that impact their daily lives. Dr. Donna Yarri, Professor of Theology at Alvernia University, will be the conference leader and keynote speaker. She is a researcher and educator in the areas of religion and science, medical ethics, religion and popular culture, social justice, and ethical treatment of animals.

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. For more information on the PNU please contact the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352.

Construction Ahead

Since the beginning of 2012, we have taken on twenty-two major infrastructure projects. This month we are replacing the entire sidewalk along the side of the church and have made major repairs to the church hall floor with the entire floor soon to be updated. Thank you to Pete and Darryl for the floor work to date. Of course, these are expensive projects and your donations would help...

If you wish to help with our sidewalk or hall projects your donation would be very welcome. You can even donate online at the parish website.

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, Sandra Tatlock, 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 Most Holy Name of Jesus (Slovak) Parish, Passaic, NJ. Rev. Marian Tarnowski, Pastor.

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour resumes today. Your support and assistance are needed for this ministry of hospitality. Please sign up to take a week.

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...

--- Holy Name: A Place to Belong ---