

## Solemnity of Brotherly Love Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 11, 2016 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: 9:30am and 11:30am for a spirit of love in our Church, community, country, and world Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Hodur Rite). 9/11 Remembrance Prayers
- Coffee Hour Resumes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Hodur Rite). 9/11 Remembrance Prayers

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXV Niedziela Zwykła

September 18, 2016 Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88. First reading: Amos 8:4-7 Psalm: Ps 113:1-2,4-8 **Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.** Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am 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. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Welcome Back Brunch
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

## Fear is danger tasted in advance, a quiver as the heart takes fright before unnamed calamity. Fear is a loss of assurance. – St. John Climacus

**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 11: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Commemoration of the 15th Anniversary of 9/11/2001. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Coffee Hour resumes. Please sign-up to help.
- September 14: Solemnity Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- September 15: Solemnity Holy Mother of Sorrows
- September 18: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Back to Church Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Welcome Back Brunch.
- September 19: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting.
- September 21: Feast St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
- September 25: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Spójnia Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- September 29: Feast St. Michael the Archangel
- October 2: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass with Blessing of Pets at 9:30 and 11:30am.

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.

### No fear!

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because he first loved us.

One hundred ten years ago our Church gathered in Holy Synod. As a fledgling organization its members had faced persecution. Real persecution based on faith right here in the United States. Our members were cast out of social clubs. Jobs were lost. Families were split. There was hurt and sadness. The reaction of those Synod attendees was to focus on the words of Jesus - what one does speaks far louder than abiding by rules, then holy words and prayers. They instituted this Solemnity with its special focus on brotherly love; the only Church that has such a day. They cast out fear with love.

St. John, the disciple Jesus loved could have stood on those credentials – hey look at me, I'm the one He loved. He could have offered words, gave speeches. Instead he focused on putting Jesus' love for us into action in his life and in our lives. He tells us: The commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also. What one does speaks far louder than abiding by rules, then holy words and prayers. St. John and his church communities cast out the fear of persecution and stood above it in Jesus' love

As we gather today for worship we are reminded that coming here once a week is not enough. This place, this worship, the words we hear, and the prayers we offer are a capstone for what we have done right in our loving others over the past week. We should rightly be thankful for the graces we received that helped us do that. We should be proud of the ways we cast out fear and responded in love.

So too our gathering today is a recollection of where we have fallen short with a plea for

### **Help Needed**

We need folks to step up for some of our Fall events.

- Our **Craft Fair** will be held at Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Hall, 250 Old Maxwell Rd., Latham, NY on Saturday, October 1st. If you can, breads and cakes are needed for the bake sale. The bread and cakes should be delivered to Blessed Virgin Mary parish the morning of the event. Volunteers are also needed to assist with food preparation, to man the bake sale, and assist at tables. Please call Stephanie at 518-369-1346 or sign up at the parish.
- Our **Rummage/Bake Sale** will be held Saturday, October 15th. You can bring goods you wish to donate now and leave them in the parish hall. Help is needed for set-up the week before, the day of the sale, and for the bake sale (your yummy homemade baked goods are much appreciated). Please sign up at the parish.
- **Coffee hour** resumes net week. We ask that a person or family sponsor each week's coffee hour (don't worry, we will help). Please sign-up.
- Help is always needed for **SOCL** especially in instructing and encouraging our youth. Please see Fr. Jim.

#### **Spojnia Social Memberships**

Spojnia and the Polish National Union are offering social memberships which virtually guarantee insurability, including life insurance policies. See Fr. Jim for more details. As a member, you have access to the Credit Union, which hosts rates of loans that are rarely matched.

#### **Brotherly Love**

Today is the Solemnity of Brotherly Love. This day also happens to be the 15th anniversary of the terrorist attacks against our country. Sadly, these attacks were motivated by a perversion of religion. By stressing Jesus' teaching of Brotherly Love we hope to stand-up for what is good and righteous in the practice of a lived faith. Let us pray together today for and end to terrorism and violence.

#### Getting closer...

Back to Church Sunday – September 18th. Craft Fair – October 1st. National Webinar on the Christian Family – October 5th. Rummage Sale – October 15th. Seniorate Thanksgiving Holy Mass and Dinner – November 19th.

#### **The Political Season**

As Christ followers we are not bound to any ideology, party or even form of government. We are above those things and are citizens of His kingdom. During these days of political tension and conflict let us practice forgiveness and remember where our true home is.

#### **FREE LUNCH on Sunday**

Our next free lunch coincides with our Back to Church Sunday on September 18th. 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.

forgiveness. While falling short is painful, we can find joy in knowing that our consciences are well formed enough to know we failed. In acknowledging our sin we find the pain it has imprinted lifted by God's healing touch. We see our fears and pain relieved in God's love.

Our gathering today is moreover a new start. A new week ahead and we hear: *there is no fear in love*. Next week we will gather again to be thankful, to recollect, and to start anew. Through all of it what is reinforced is fear removed, love triumphant.

In writing to the Romans, Paul asks: what will separate us from the love of Christ? He lists many things – but no fear will do it. On this Solemnity of Love, on this anniversary of a tragedy meant to instill fear, remember that nothing is more powerful than love. Destroy fear. Our members did it 110 years ago. St. John did it. We get to do it every week – no fear because in Him there is no fear. Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

#### Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 2 Timothy 1:7 MONDAY: Psalm 34:4 TUESDAY: Proverbs 29:25 WEDNESDAY: Psalm 56:3-4 THURSDAY: Joshua 1:9 FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 31:6 SATURDAY: Luke 12:22-24

Pray

Lord, grant me a spirit of total trust in Your love and its power.

# Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea Chase, Nickole Mook, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Robert Dominy, Wayne Balnis, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Sczepkowski, 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, Faith, Adam, Allyson Keyser

- All in need of God's healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. <u>Michael</u> Angehr, <u>Mark</u> Collins, <u>Pattric</u> 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. Casimir's Parish, Rochester, NY.

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

**Coffee Hour**: Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. Coffee hour resumes today. Please volunteer to help.

**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. ---