

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXV Niedziela zwykła

#### Spójnia Sunday

September 24, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 Psalm: Ps 145:2-3,8-9,17-18

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Epistle: Philippians 1:20-24,27 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Intention: śp. Chris Scepkowski, for all members of Spójnia, living and departed.

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).

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

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXVI Niedziela zwykła

October 1, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalm: Ps. 25:4-9

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Epistle: Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

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. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite), Blessing of Pets. Exposition and Benediction.
- Breakfast/First Communion/Confirmation classes.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite). Blessing of Pets.

Now may the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the eternal high priest himself, the Son of God Jesus Christ, build you up in faith and truth...and to us with you, and to all those under heaven who will yet believe in our Lord and God Jesus Christ and in his Father who raised him from the dead. – St. Polycarp

**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.

#### Contact

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## Upcoming...

- September 24: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Spójnia Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. SOCL Classes Resume.
- September 29: Feast St. Michael the Archangel.
- October 1: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Blessing of Pets. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- October 2: Feast Guardian Angels.
- October 4: Commemoration St. Francis of Assisi.
- October 7: Solemnity Holy Mother of the Rosary.
- October 8: Solemnity of the Christian Family. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- October 9: Columbus Day.
- October 15: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Heritage Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- October 16: Healing Holy Mass at
   6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting
- October 22: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass 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.

## Let me tell you about My Father.

When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage.

All of Jesus' coming, His life, His worship and prayer, His healings, His poverty, His message, and His life, death, and resurrection are about one thing – Jesus showing us the Father. Jesus plainly told us: *Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father*. After hearing Jesus' words today, how do we better get the Father?

The late workers were amazed by generosity. The early workers felt 'cheated,' as if something due them was taken away. But it really wasn't specifically about any of that.

Rather, Jesus uses all His parables and allusions to more fully describe His Father. He walks about the cities and countryside living a very particular way – to show us the life of the Father. He calls us to understand, to comprehend, to allow our hearts to be touched by the reality of the Father. He says – let Me show you My Dad. Get to know Him. He is amazing.

Again, this parable is not specifically about workers feeling cheated, nor a generous landowner with no business sense. It isn't really about getting more than we deserve for our work. It is not, in any special way, about people who come to the faith in their youth versus those who come late in life, or toward the end of time.

This parable is about revelation. It is a look into the life of God – something formerly beyond understanding, and now revealed. In every word of this parable, Jesus is saying – let Me show you My Dad. I love him so much. I want you to know what He is like

because He is so amazing.

Like the workers, we face a bit of a problem. Our understanding is often blocked because we let our minds get in the way of falling into the love of God. We let minor parts of parables become the reason for the parable, and we miss the revelation. We should ask ourselves, 'What do I know about the Father that I didn't know before?'

What we now know is that the Father's love is so all encompassing, so magnificent, that in complete trust we can fall into Him no matter where we are in our lives, no matter what happened the day before, or a few minutes ago. We may have run head on into the Father's love in our life and were changed by it. We may be experiencing it today for the first time, or the first time in a long time. We may still be waiting for that revelation. No matter, Jesus opened the opportunity for us - to know the Father and to fall into His love.

"I and the Father are one."

John 10:30

### Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 23:9
MONDAY: 1 Corinthians 8:6
TUESDAY: John 3:16
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 103:13
THURSDAY: John 5:30
FRIDAY: John 1:14
SATURDAY: John 14:6

#### Pray

Lord Jesus, You have revealed th Father to us. Help us to recognize His tremendous love every day.

#### Spójnia Sunday

Today 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.

#### **Belonging and Thanks**

Thank you to all who participated and invited others for Back to Church Sunday. Thank you to Joanne and Stacey for a wonderful breakfast. Continue to invite all to belong.

#### **Out of Darkness**

The 4th Schenectady Out of the Darkness Community Walk is a walk to fight suicide. The walk will take place on Saturday, September 30th starting at the Pavilion in Central Park, Schenectady. Check-in starts at 12pm and the opening program at walk starts at 1pm. You can register at the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention or on site starting at noon. Come join us.

#### All Saints – 80th Anniversary

All Saints parish in Rome, NY celebrated its 80th anniversary along with confirmations on Saturday. Prime Bishop Anthony and Bishop Bernard were both present along with members of each Seniorate parish. It was a beautiful event and a great joy.

#### **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. 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 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.

#### **Construction Ahead**

Since the beginning of 2012, we have taken on twenty-two major infrastructure projects. This month replaced the entire sidewalk along the side of the church and have made major repairs to the church hall floor. The entire hall floor is being replaced this week. 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 Sczepkowski, <u>Derek</u> Westcott, <u>Dolores</u> Konicki, <u>Pastor Tom</u> 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 Dilanne, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo Dilanne, 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. <u>Michael</u> Angehr, <u>Mark</u> Collins, <u>Pattric</u> Jones.
- All those in Public Service, Police Officers and Fire
- 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 Resurrection of Christ parish, Dunellen, NJ. Rev. Edward Czudak, 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.