



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 15, 2017

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXVIII Niedziela zwykła

October 15, 2017

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

First reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm: Ps. 23:1-6

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Epistle: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Intention: for all parishioners.

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).

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXIX Niedziela zwykła

October 22, 2017

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

First reading: Isaiah 45:1,4-6

Psalm: Ps. 96:1,3-5,7-10

Give the Lord glory and honor.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

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).
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Hear whence you were called. From the highway. Being what? Lame and halt in soul, which is a much more grievous thing than the mutilation of the body. Reverence the love of Him, who called you, and let no one continue to have filthy garments, but let each of you busy himself about the clothing of your soul. Hear, you women; hear, you men; we need not these garments that are bespangled with gold, that adorn our outward parts, but those others, that adorn the inward. – St. John Chrysostom

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...

- **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 18: Feast – St. Luke.**
- **October 22: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **October 24: Feast – St. Raphael the Archangel.**
- **October 28: Feast – Ss. Simon & Jude.**
- **October 29: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **October 31: Vigil of All Saints**
- **November 1: Solemnity of All Saints. Holy Mass at 7pm.**
- **November 2: Observance of All Souls.**
- **November 5: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 7: Election Day.**

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's get dressed.

But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?'

John Wooden was a basketball player and later head basketball coach at the University of California at Los Angeles. He won ten national championships His teams won a record 88 consecutive games. He had his choice of players. The players UCLA recruited were the best of the best, having been part of winning successful teams. When these star players showed up for the first day of practice, Coach Wooden sat them down and very patiently taught them how to put on their socks and shoes. He got down to basics, telling them that if they get their socks on wrong, with a crease or fold in the wrong place, it would harm the team. He taught them to double tie their shoes so that they could play on, not leaving their team without their presence.

As Christians, we need to get down to basics, and Jesus reminds us of that today. We have to take time to remind ourselves of basic Christian responsibilities, to prepare ourselves so we show up well presented at the King's feast. Let's cover a few of the ways we should prepare ourselves.

In the early Church, some believers thought that one of the gifts of the Spirit, the ability to speak in

tongues, was particularly special. They often flaunted that ability and saw it as a point of pride. St. Paul was quick to correct them. He criticized them because their everyday words were ruining the unity that Christians ought to have. He said: *"Some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you. Your meetings do more harm than good."* It came down to this – they couldn't control their own tongues. They used the words they knew from birth to gossip, slander, and to create disunity. What did the Spirit gift of speaking in tongues matter if they could not control their own tongue? No Spirit gift is more important than the Christian love and the respect they were to show for each other. We all are tempted especially when there are stresses, and we try to figure it all out. We continue to face the challenges the early Church faced. Getting ready, preparing for the King's feast, includes our dressing our thoughts and words in love.

Several years ago, someone close to me contracted cancer. He ended up losing one of his lungs. It reminds me of the end of 2011, we were on our last lung in this parish. We had little to nothing to sustain this parish but for a few months to a year. I had asked one thing only – that we make a great act of faith and put our trust and belief in God, that He would provide. We did, and we did it together. It happened, God moved many hearts and caused miracles to happen. We did no extra fundraisers. Yet our coffers were filled and we invested in many things –

spending more than we had in years we ended up with more in the jar. The oil did not run out, the jar of flour was filled. The man who ended up losing a lung met that challenge with perseverance, joy, and faith. So too we who are preparing for the King's feast. We are called to act with faith above all else, to wear and show trust in God and His provision. A grain of faith dresses us for the King's sumptuous feast.

Like the Acts Church, we are all learning to dress. We are all in the process of getting ready so that we may be welcomed at the King's feast. Those members of the Acts Church did not always agree. Like those at the feast, they were rich and poor, people of every background and color, yet they overcame by sacrifice, in communal worship, fellowship, joy even in challenges. Setting aside all we arrive ready for the King.

*Put on then, as God's chosen ones,
holy and beloved, compassionate
hearts, kindness, humility,
meekness, and patience*

Colossians 3:12

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Nehemiah 9:21
MONDAY: Psalm 104:1-2
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 3:3-4
WEDNESDAY: Romans 8:5
THURSDAY: Matthew 6:25
FRIDAY: Ephesians 4:22-24
SATURDAY: Isaiah 61:10

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that I may dress
myself in the garments of salvation,
prepared and ready for your
Kingdom banquet.

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, Crystal Haley. 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, Patricia Jones. Fr. Joseph Kolek
- 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 Transfiguration of our Lord parish, Wallington, NJ. Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, 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.

All Saints and All Souls

November is set aside to commemorate those who have preceded us in holy death. We will remember our dearly departed during the month according to age old Catholic custom of commemoration and prayer...a custom known as “wypominki.” If you would like the souls of loved ones to be remembered during the Commemoration of All Souls and at every Holy Mass throughout November, please send the names of these loved ones to Fr. Jim by Sunday, October 29th.

Spaghetti Dinner – Date Change

Join us for our 2nd annual spaghetti dinner which has been **moved to Saturday, January 20th** from 4pm till 7pm hosted by Joanne Bauer, her three daughters, and three granddaughters. This is a traditional truly homemade spaghetti dinner which includes spaghetti, 2 meatballs, salad, Italian bread, drinks, and Italian cookies.

Eat in or take home. Dinners are \$10 per person, \$5 for children under 10. Children 5 and under are free. Extra meatballs - \$1 each. An order of a dozen meatballs - \$10.

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. Please pray for all attending – that their work toward growing themselves, their families, parishes, and communities spiritually and physically may be fruitful and their travels safe.

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.

Great New Stuff

Since the beginning of 2012, we have taken on twenty-two major infrastructure projects. God has blessed us greatly. If you wish to help toward the cost of these projects, your donation would be very welcome. You can even donate online at the parish website.

Of note...

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