

# JESUS & JUSTICE

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 26, 2014

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### XXX Niedziela zwykła

October 26, 2014

Rite: 9am Pew Missal, page 63

First reading: Exodus 22:20-26

Psalm: 18:2-4,47,51

**R. I love you, Lord, my strength.**

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: 9am Rev. Rafał Dadełło

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 8:50am with Matins.
- Holy Mass at 9am
- Coffee Hour

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### XXXI Niedziela zwykła

November 2, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Malachi 1:14 - 2:2,8-10

Psalm: Ps 131:1-3

**R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.**

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Intention: For all parishioners

Worship leader: 9:30am Rev. Mr. James Konicki

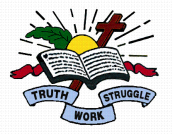
Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion., Exposition & Benediction
- Breakfast and Pampered Chef Party, SOCL classes

*God says, "The earth has brought forth her increase, and you have not brought forth your tithes; but the theft of the poor is in your houses." Since you have not given the accustomed offerings, He says, you have stolen from the poor. He says this to show the rich that they hold the goods of the poor even if they have inherited them from their fathers or no matter how they have gathered their wealth. – 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 Deacon Jim know so he might visit, pray with them, and bring Jesus' healing presence to them. Parishioners in need of anointing should contact Fr. Mark Gnidzinski at 518-437-1889.

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## Upcoming...

- **October 26th: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**HOLY MASS at 9am**
- **October 28th: Feast – Ss. Simon & Jude**
- **October 31st: Vigil of All Saints**
- **November 1st: All Saints Day, Service at 5pm and reading of the names of the faithful departed**
- **November 2nd: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Cemetery Service in Amsterdam – time TBD.**
- **November 3rd: Observance of All Souls (translated)**
- **November 4th: Election Day**
- **November 9th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Daylight savings ends.**

**Polish Food Available Today**

## We must do justice!

*Thus says the LORD: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."*

When we think of the Old Testament, what is the first thought that comes to mind? For some it is the personalities – Adam, Even, Noah, Abraham, Moses, David, Solomon, Ruth,

Esther, Isaiah and the prophets. For some, it is the journeys – the exodus and journey to the Promised Land, the exiles, and the returns to Jerusalem.

For others, the Old Testament is filled with judgment, war, betrayal, and hard laws. Some point to the many slaughters that took place and even question how God could condone such things.

Regardless of perspective, what most fail to recognize is that the Old Testament is replete with God's call to justice. He continually called His people to do justice to their own and to those who were foreigners. His prophets continually called the rulers and people to recall justice and put aside injustice. Micah spoke to the rulers and priests saying: *Hear, you heads of Jacob and rulers of the house of Israel! Is it not for you to know justice?*

A really quick reference review indicates 212 biblical verses about justice; another 22 refer to acting justly.

Jesus came to offer humanity the

fullness of God's promise, to complete the law of the Old Testament. He came not to act as an opponent of the law. His goal was not to prevent its fulfillment. Rather, He revered it, loved it, obeyed it, and brought it to fruition. He fulfilled God's call to perfect obedience and in obedience He acted with perfect justice. He calls us to live the very same justice. *"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."*

As followers of Jesus Christ, we recognize His command as perfect. Like Him, we must know and do justice. To do justice we must first and foremost recognize the inherent human dignity of each person and do nothing to diminish it, to steal it, or hurt it. By actions and work our parish family builds human dignity. As we do here, we must do every day in our homes, work, and leisure.

*"But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."*

Amos 5:24

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hosea 12:6  
MONDAY: Proverbs 21:15  
TUESDAY: Isaiah 30:18  
WEDNESDAY: Micah 6:8  
THURSDAY: Isaiah 1:17  
FRIDAY: Psalm 37:27-28  
SATURDAY: 1 Timothy 5:8

## Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me the grace to be just and to do good to all, especially to the members of our family in the faith.

## Month of All Souls

November marks the month of All Souls. All Souls Day envelopes are available. Please get them to Deacon Jim this week, or just E-mail him at [deaconjim@me.com](mailto:deaconjim@me.com) with the names of those you would like remembered throughout the month of November. We will have an All Saints Day service on Saturday, November 1st at 5pm along with the reading of the names of those remembered. We will also read those names every Sunday in November. An All Souls cemetery service will be held at Good Shepherd cemetery in Amsterdam on November 2nd at a time to be determined.

## Eternal Rest

Deacon Jim had the honor of offering a graveside service at the Gerald Solomon National Cemetery in Saratoga on Tuesday for Michael Opalka, brother of Leonard Opalka. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may the perpetual light shine upon him.

## Breakfast & Pampered Chef

We will hold a parish breakfast on Sunday, November 2nd at 10:30am along with a Pampered Chef party. Please see Stephanie Dominy for a preview catalog.

## Times of Trial and Fear

There is much confronting our faith!

I could have said that we have much confronting our lives (terrorism, persecution of Christians, job and financial worries) and our health (flu, Ebola, Enterovirus). Other things too...

The fact is that all of these challenges, fears, and trials are first and foremost challenges to our faith. This is the work of evil, to cause us to focus inwardly – only on ourselves – and to forget about God's role in our lives. Should our first thought be: "How can I protect myself?" or shouldn't it be "I place my faith in God?" God's role and place in our lives must remain in the forefront. If we confront these challenges, trials, and fears strong in our faith we will overcome them. When we get nervous, when we feel that sense of panic, let us place God front and center – where He belongs. Let us enter into prayer. Let us also take common sense steps – get a flu shot (4,500 people have died from Ebola worldwide while 50,000 people die from the flu annually just in the U.S.), wash our hands, eat healthier, exercise and even in doing those things, pray.

From plague, famine, war, and all misfortunes of the body and soul, Deliver us, O Lord.

## FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is November 16th. 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.

Of note...

## Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Joseph and Lee Callahan, Tom Caulfield, Debbie Urban, Ann Marie Riley, George Williams, Diane Avellino, Laura Covari, Ellen Carey, Connie Cola, Alice and George Houser, Angela Kaminski, Carol Kosik, Eddy Stutz, Jim Kelly, Phil Haberman, Stanley Radzysinski, Joseph Lyman, Sandy Davis, Erin Smith, Margaret Bondi, Sharon Nasner, Dan, Kym, Maggie and Hannah Bucham, Ray Callanan, Jeannie Christopher, Connie Gigliotti, Joe Avellino, Jan Shufelt, Deanna Colfels, Cathy France, Patty Martel-Baum, Rick Rodino, Judy Springer, Deb Couns, Judy Palmer, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Luke Sobiechowski, Mark McCarthy, Bonnie Nelson, Rosemary Ragule, Lisa Caporizzo, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Judy Held, Stefan Węglinski, Janet Spurck, Joannie True, Robert Dominy, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak, Edward Glover, Tamara Albury, Melissa Dixon, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Laverne Dowdell, Curtis Sczepkowski, Bishop John, Derek Westcott, Daniel Springsteen, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Beverly Ferguson, Edward Panfil, Alyssa DePaula, Pastor Tom Kendall, Irene Borowski, Ted Zebrowski, Joshua Moraski, Sue White.

- All in need of God's healing grace.
- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.
- 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
- All who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in the Polish Catholic Church. This week we remember the people and clergy of the Corpus Christi Parish, Bolesław, Poland and its pastor, Rev. Leszek Kołodziejczyk.

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

**Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour resumes. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and all who will assist with this ministry of hospitality over the coming seasons. All are welcome to join with us each 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 Deacon Jim.

*Please think about telling a friend or relative about Holy Name of Jesus.*