

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXII Niedziela zwykła

November 9, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal First reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm: Ps 63:2-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Intention: śp Josephine Panfil

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

Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion.
- Coffee Hour, SOCL classes, Parish Committee Meeting

### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXIII Niedziela zwykła

November 16, 2014

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

Psalm: Ps 128:1-5

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

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
- Coffee Hour, SOCL classes

Speaking concerning the faithful, and them which are fallen asleep in Christ; and again, the dead shall rise in Christ. Since his discourse is not concerning the Resurrection only, but both concerning the Resurrection and concerning the honor in glory; all then shall partake of a Resurrection, he says, but not all shall be in glory, only those in Christ. Since therefore he wishes to comfort them, he comforts them not with this only, but also with the abundant honor, and with its speedy arrival, since they knew that. For in proof that he wishes to comfort them with the honor, as he goes on, he says, And we shall be ever with the Lord: and we shall be caught up in the clouds. - 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...

- November 9th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time.
- November 11th: Veteran's Day
- November 16th: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Good Shepherd **Cemetery Service.**
- November 21st: Solemnity -Presentation of the B.V.M.
- November 22nd: Installation of Father Senior Pociecha - Rome, NY
- November 23rd: Solemnity of **Christ the King**
- November 27th: Thanksgiving
- November 30th: 1st Sunday of Advent.
- **December 1st: Feast of St. Andrew** the Apostle (translated)
- December 6th: Ordination of Deacon Jim to the Holy Priesthood, 10am, St. Stanislaus Cathedral in **Scranton**
- December 7th: 2nd Sunday of Advent, Father Jim's First Holy Mass at 2pm, Dinner Follows.

# Living a life prepared.

For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

As we discussed last week, the Thessalonians accepted the Word and were faithful to it. They modeled what it means to be Jesus' Church working in such a way as to advance the cause of the gospel in their lives and the lives of others.

They did have one concern. It was common in the early Church to believe that Jesus would return quickly and that all believers would be there to greet Him. They began to worry because, of

course, some had died. They wondered whether their loved ones had done something wrong. They thought that those who had fallen asleep would not be there to meet the Lord. Paul set out to clarify that both those who were still alive and those who had fallen asleep would both be there on that wonderful day. Paul told them to hold onto that hope: For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

We are like the Thessalonians. Centuries have gone by and we begin to think – when will Jesus come? Will it be soon or in the distant future? Furthermore, Jesus is telling us that we always have to be ready, that we must be prepared: "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

The last few weeks of Ordinary Time focus on the last things, on preparation. What does it mean for us to be prepared? How do we keep our lamps filled with oil and the flame burning?

Make no mistake, Jesus is coming again. When you look at our parish church you see the altar facing liturgical east. Why? Because that is the direction from which Jesus Christ will return in glory with the rising of the eternal Sun. We worship and pray in a way that shows our preparedness, facing the east, waiting for Him.

In our parish life we receive the sacraments that strengthen us and prepare us. We fill up our "oil stocks" with the gifts of grace forgiveness of sins, the body and blood of our Lord. We encourage each other in reforming our lives, serving others not out of obligation, but out of joy, for we want them to experience the love of Christ. We invite others to come and worship, to be baptized and to believe so that they too may meet the Lord with lit lamps. What more must we do? The key to being prepared is to reject focus on our trials, to live, even when we suffer, with eves focused on Jesus' return.

"Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching."

2 Timothy 4:2

### Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Acts 17:30-31 MONDAY: Revelation 1:7 TUESDAY: Matthew 7:13-14 WEDNESDAY: Revelation 11:15 THURSDAY: 2 Peter 3:3-4 FRIDAY: Romans 13:11

#### Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me the grace to be prepared for Your return and to look forward with joy to that day.

Come. Lord Jesus!

#### **Ordination**

Deacon Jim's ordination to the Holy Priesthood has been tentatively scheduled (depending on his canonical examinations) for Saturday, December 6th (the Commemoration of St. Nicholas) at 10am at St. Stanislaus Cathedral in Scranton, PA. The future Father Jim's first Holy Mass will then take place on Sunday, December 7th at 2pm followed by a dinner sponsored by the parish. I invite all parishioners and friends to attend both events. Please let a parish committee member know if you would like to go to Scranton for the ordination. Please continue to pray for my family and me.

#### **Breakfast & Pampered Chef Thank You**

Thank you to all who attended our Pampered Chef party and supported this event in other ways.

#### **Food Collection**

We are taking up our annual food collection for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please bring in your offers of canned or dry goods and place them before the Mary altar. God bless you for your generosity and care for those in need in our local area.

#### **Father Senior Marian's Installation**

Father Marian Pociecha's installation as our Father Senior will take place at All Saints parish in Rome, NY on Saturday, November 22nd at 11am. Dinner following Holy Mass will be held at the Beeches Inn, 7900 Turin Road, Rome, NY. Father Marian has invited all of us. Please let Deacon Jim know and he will RSVP.

#### Heritage

We continue to focus on rebirth: This reborn individual becomes a completely different person. He has changed spiritually and morally. He has changed his attitude towards God, towards his fellow man, and towards his environment. Insofar as external or physical changes are concerned, these are limited to the extent that the effects of this new inner spiritual force can be perceived in his features. But, from a moral or behavioral standpoint, we have an entirely new person. If the reborn individual had previously been easygoing, then he will continue to be this way after his change. If he had a fiery disposition, he will continue to be lively and impulsive. If he was outspoken, he will continue to be so. If he was a father, then this certainly will not change. But his spiritual temper and his moral character will be completely changed. Above all else, he has a different way of thinking and a new understanding of God, the world, life, life's purpose, and his final destiny.

#### 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.

## 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 Haberlan, Stanley Radzyminski, 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, <u>Curtis</u> Sczepkowski, <u>Bishop John</u>, <u>Derek</u> Westcott, <u>Daniel</u> Springsteen, Dolores Konicki, Nellie Kucharski, Beverly Ferguson, Edward Panfil, Alyssa DePaula, Pastor Tom Kendall, Irene Borowski, <u>Ted</u> Zebrowski, <u>Joshua</u> Moraski, <u>Sue</u> White, <u>Jeremy</u>

- 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 Our Lady of Victory Parish, Chełm, Poland and its pastor, Rev. Ryszard Walczyński.

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.

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