



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 12, 2017

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXXII Niedziela zwykła

November 12, 2017

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

First reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm: Ps. 63:2-8

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

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Intention: for śp. Josephine and śp. Edward Panfil.

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki

Lector: 9:30am Daniel DiIanne, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Breakfast/First Communion/Confirmation classes.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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November 19, 2017

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

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

Psalm: Ps. 128:1-5

Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am 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 (Traditional Rite).

Watch ye. Thus did the Gospel close; Watch, for you know neither the day nor the hour. But if we are all to sleep, how shall we watch? Watch with the heart, watch with faith, watch with hope, watch with charity, watch with good works; and then, when you shall sleep in your body, the time will come that you shall rise. And when you shall have risen, make ready the lamps. Then shall they go out no more, then shall they be renewed with the inner oil of conscience; then shall that Bridegroom fold you in His spiritual embrace, then shall He bring you into His House where you shall never sleep, where your lamp can never be extinguished. – St. Augustine

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...

- **November 12: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Breakfast.**
- **November 18: Holy Mass of Thanksgiving at 11am. Coffee and Pie to follow.**
- **November 19: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 20: Holy Mass for Healing with Anointing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting.**
- **November 21: Solemnity of the Presentation of the B.V.M.**
- **November 23: Thanksgiving.**
- **November 26: Solemnity of Christ the King. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 30: Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle.**
- **December 3: 1st Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **December 6: Commemoration of St. Nicholas of Myra. Fr. Jim's 3rd Anniversary of Ordination.**
- **December 8: Solemnity – Conception of the B.V.M.**

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.

Being prepared.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps."

As we worshiped last Sunday our brothers and sisters in Christ, men, women, and children, were being killed in Texas as they came together to worship God and declare their faith in Jesus. They held their lamps up brightly, filled with the oil of faith, ready to meet the Lord.

Many of us grew up in a time when coming to church was considered a light thing. Maybe our parents or grandparents had faced persecution as faithful National Church members, but not us so much. That was in the past. But, as is said, everything old is new again...

Today’s lesson from Jesus dispels

the myth of faith as a casual endeavor. Jesus tells us, ‘always be at the ready,’ with our lamps prepared and with an extra stock of oil at hand. We do not know the day or the hour.

Prepared lamps and extra stocks of oil are not just about coming to church on a chilly Sunday morning. It is not about waiting for a moment to come someday. It is about actively preparing and living out our faith. If we are not watchful, if we are not making ourselves more and more ready, if we are not becoming more and more – like unto the Lord – what use is there to even having a lamp?

Violence, tragedy, and suffering are a raw truth. This truth is visited more and more upon Christians. From martyrs in the Middle East, Asia, and Africa to homegrown terrorists right here, to media, hate groups, and government casting people of faith as silly, backward, and ignorant, we might be tempted to extinguish our lamps, pour out our oil, and sit in the dark. Sssshhhhhh, be careful, snuff out the lamps, someone might see us. Is that who we are?

St. Paul tells the Thessalonians: *do not grieve like the rest, who have no hope*. Wise words about how we are to face the challenges of our time. The followers of Jesus, the faithful, will not allow their lamps to even grow dim. Don’t tone it down! Rather, illuminate this dark time, cast a bright glow not just inside the walls of this church, neighborhood, or city – but across this world. Let our light not only glow outward, but also illumine us inwardly. Do not grieve, offer hope.

Let us picture our lamps at the ready, held up before us. Feel the warmth – it is the warmth of faith. See the glowing faces, they are the face of Jesus in the world. See the light before us, calling the people of our neighborhood, city, and the world to come to Jesus – the only way. The faithful: wise, prepared, ready.

For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

Ephesians 5:8

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 119:105
MONDAY: Psalm 27:1
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2:9
WEDNESDAY: Ephesians 5:14
THURSDAY: 2 Corinthians 4:6
FRIDAY: Psalm 119:130
SATURDAY: John 1:4

Pray

Lord Jesus, fill me with your light. Grant that I may always walk in Your light and spread it to all I encounter.

Month of 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. Thank you to all who attended our All Souls service at Good Shepherd Cemetery last Sunday.

Thanksgiving Holy Mass

We will be holding a Thanksgiving Holy Mass and reception next Saturday at 11am right here at our parish. Our neighboring parishes will be joining us. As we prepare for Thanksgiving week and day, let us honor Him Who gives all good gifts!

Fr. Jim Away

Fr. Jim will be away Monday, November 13th through Wednesday, November 15th for the National Clergy Conference. Please keep our Holy Church and all its clergy in your prayers. In case of emergency, call Father’s cell phone.

Breakfast Today

Please stay and join us for breakfast this morning provided by Joanne Bauer and her family. Thank you to Joanne for warming four hearts and tummies.

Food Collection

We will be collecting dry and canned goods throughout November and December for donation to those in need in our community. Please make a prayerful donation in thankfulness. Please place your donation by the Mary altar in the church. Bless you!

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.

Local Parish Events

Please consider attending one or more of the events being help in our local parishes including: **Holiday Bazar** at Holy Cross Parish, Lakeland, NY on Saturday, December 2nd from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. Admission is free.

Thanksgiving Pies

Joanne Bauer and Helen Spencer are selling Thanksgiving pies. All pies are 9 inches. Pies are \$15 each or 2 for \$25. Orders will be taken November 1st through 17th. Orders may be picked up between November 20th and 22nd. **To order, call 518-377-1806.**

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. Tickets on the back table.

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Weglinski, 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 DiLanne, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo DiLanne, Cassandra Wade, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Sandra Tatlock, Crystal Haley, Linda DePaula. 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, Pattric 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 Holy Spirit parish, Little Falls, NY. Rev. Rafal Dadello, Pastor.

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

Coffee Hour: Please join us for Coffee. 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.

Of note:

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