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WEEKLY BULLETIN OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – DECEMBER 14, 2014

3rd Sunday of Advent III Niedziela Adwentu

December 14, 2014

Rite: Pew Missal, page 15

First reading: Isaiah 61:1-2,10-11

Canticle: Luke 1:46-50,53-54

R. My soul rejoices in my God.

Epistle: Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel: John 1:6-8,19-28

Intention: śp. Edward Panfil offered by Richard & Shirley Maliszewski.

Celebrant: 9:30am Rev. James Konicki,

Lector: Marilyn Hietala

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins and Advent Wreath Lighting
- Holy Mass at 9:30am. Exposition & Benediction
- Youth Presentation, Parish Vigil/Wigilia Dinner at 10:45am

4th Sunday of Advent IV Niedziela Adwentu

December 21, 2014

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63

First reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14,16

Psalms: Ps 89:2-5,27-29

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Epistle: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Intention: śp. Edward Panfil offered by Jim & Dorothy Morrison.

Celebrant: 9:30am Rt. Rev. Bernard Nowicki

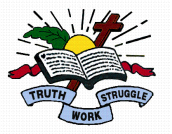
Lector: Claudia Bertasso and Adam Konicki

- Worship begins at 9:20am with Matins and Advent Wreath Lighting
- Holy Mass and Confirmation at 9:30am with Penitential Service
- Breakfast, Greening of the Church, Free Lunch
- Requiem Holy Mass at 1:30pm for śp. Barbara West

“And therefore there was no need that there should everywhere exist many bodies, and many spirits like Jesus, in order that the whole world of men might be enlightened by the Word of God. For the one Word was enough, having arisen as the Sun of righteousness, to send forth from Judea His coming rays into the soul of all who were willing to receive Him. But if any one desires to see many bodies filled with a divine Spirit, similar to the one Christ, ministering to the salvation of men everywhere, let him take note of those who teach the Gospel of Jesus in all lands in soundness of doctrine and uprightness of life, and who are themselves termed christi by the holy Scriptures.” – Origen

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 518-437-1889.

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Upcoming...

- **December 14th: 3rd Sunday of Advent. Parish Vigil Dinner Follows**
- **December 20th: Private Confessions at 11:30am**
- **December 21st: 4th Sunday of Advent, Holy Mass and Confirmation at 9:30am with Advent Penitential Service, Greening of the Church, Free Lunch, Requiem Holy Mass at 1:30pm**
- **December 24th: Vigil of the Nativity**
- **December 25th: Solemnity of the Nativity**
 - Holy Mass at Midnight
 - Holy Mass at 10:30am
- **December 26: Feast – St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr**
- **December 27: Feast – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist - 5pm Holy Mass and Blessing of Wine**
- **December 28: Solemnity of the Humble Shepherds**

God is sending me?

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God.

John the Baptist appears in the desert preaching a baptism of repentance. The beautiful beginning of the Gospel according to St. John notes: *A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him.* John came with a purpose based on a call from God. We too are sent to testify to the light, so that all might believe [in Jesus] through us. This call comes to us and this commission is given us at the moment of Baptism. We

publically declare our acceptance of God's call and commission as adults in Confirmation. We are strengthened and fed for this work in receiving Holy Communion. When we fail at our task we are renewed in the Sacrament of Penance.

It is hard to think that the Lord has anointed us. Really – Who, me? That seems like such a solemn and important thing. Think anointed and we may picture (as recent events indicate) the ordination of a priest, the consecration of a bishop, or the crowning of a king or queen. Prophets were anointed, King David was anointed – and yes we are anointed. As Christians we are anointed into the royal priesthood and into the family of God, the body of Christ. We are anointed as prophets, evangelists and leaders. The gifts of the Spirit are poured out on us – wisdom, understanding, right judgment, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. They are the tools given to us so we can

fulfill our great commission, to proclaim the Lord's favor to all and to baptize them into Christ.

Our anointing is solemn, it is important, and it is joyful and life-giving. That is why Jesus left us every tool and grace we need to carry out our commission. He continually calls us into unity with Him, complete unity with His eternal life-giving love and power.

Advent gives us the opportunity we need to reconnect to our anointing, our call and commission. It allows us to recollect and re-recognize the wonderful gifts God has graciously given us. It slows us to give Advent witness to a world that might think Christmas Day is the end of the season rather than the beginning of forty days and an eternity of rejoicing.

Yes, God is sending us with power and conviction. Let us bring *glad tidings to the poor, heal the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captives and release to prisoners.* Let us *announce a year of favor from the LORD.*

As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"

Romans 10:15

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 2 Timothy 3:16
MONDAY: Galatians 2:20
TUESDAY: 1 Corinthians 2:14
WEDNESDAY: Romans 12:2
THURSDAY: Acts 13:2
FRIDAY: John 5:24
SATURDAY: Matthew 10:22

Pray

Lord Jesus, You have given me the grace to make Your Name known to all. Help me to persevere in witnessing to You.

Thanks be to God for you

From preparing for my ordination to the Holy Priesthood, to the actual liturgy on the Commemoration of St. Nicholas, to my first Holy Mass offered last Sunday, I am overwhelmed by the love of the Lord that has been poured out on me through our family of faith in our Holy Polish National Catholic Church. This love is overwhelmingly powerful and life changing. I am so thankful for all of you who are a gift to me, a gift from God. God bless you always!

Food Collection

We are taking up our annual holiday food collection. Our Thanksgiving collection amounted to 125lbs of food. Dorothy Morrison worked to collect another 273lbs of food that was donated in lieu of grab bag gifts at the Elks Auxiliary Christmas party that she hosted. The food was donated in the name of our parish to SICM. Please bring in your offerings 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.

Confirmation Next Week

Next Sunday we welcome our Bishop ordinary, the Rt. Rev. Bernard Nowicki to our parish to impart Confirmation, the second part of the Sacrament of Baptism-Confirmation on Claudia Bertasso and Adam Konicki. Please plan on attending to show your love and support of our young people. On this special day Claudia and Adam make a lifelong commitment to live in Christ's Holy Polish National Catholic Church and to proclaim with courage the abundant life all may have in Jesus Christ. God bless them.

Heritage

We continue to focus on rebirth: *The reborn man also knows different joys and different sorrows. The worldly man considers himself successful when he is able, in some degree, to satisfy his sensual drives and desires; when his ambitions are realized; when he acquires wealth; when he defeats his adversaries; when he enjoys good health; when his fellow men hold him in respect, even though this may have been gained by falsehood and hypocrisy. He grieves if he is deprived of one or more of these essentials of his existence.*

Vigil/Wigilia Dinner Today

Please stay after Holy Mass today to share in our annual Vigil/Wigilia dinner. We have plenty of food, great fish from Combo's and we really would love your company.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next free lunch is December 21st. 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, Alyssa DePaula, Pastor Tom Kendall, Irene Borowski, Ted Zebrowski, Joshua Moraski, Sue White, Jeremy Fish, Helen Pasiak, Pat Bruno, Bishop Bernard.

- 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 of Assumption of the B.V.M. Parish, Gdynia, Poland and its pastor, Rev. Piotr Korpik.

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

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is held after worship each Sunday. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. 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 Father Jim.

Please think inviting a friend to Holy Name of Jesus for Christmas