

Palm Sunday

Niedziela Palmowa

April 9, 2017

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 82.

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm: Ps 22:8-9,17-20,23-24

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Epistle: Philippians 2:8-9 Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66

Intention: 9:30am for śp Frances Myslinski; 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. Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hours, SOCL/Confirmation/First Communion Classes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Contemporary Rite).

Solemnity of the Resurrection Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego

April 16, 2017

Rite: Easter Booklets and Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 10:34,37-43 Psalm: Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-4

Sequence: Praises to the Pascal Victim - Sung

Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

Intention: for all parishioners

Celebrant: 8am and 10am Rev. James Konicki Lector: 8am Marilyn Hietala, 10am Claudia Bertasso

- Resurrection Liturgy and Procession starts at 8am followed by Solemn Holy Mass (Contemporary Rite)
- Holy Mass at 10am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15)
- Easter Repast/Święconka follows each Holy Mass

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us. – St. Andrew of Crete

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...

- April 9: Palm Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 with Liturgy of the Palms and 11:30am.
- April 10: Holy Monday. Holy Mass and Anointing for Healing at 6:15pm
- April 11: Holy Tuesday. Clergy Conference and Holy Mass of Chrism in Scranton, PA.
- April 13: Maundy Thursday. Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm.
- April 14: Good Friday. 3rd Annual Cross Walk Starting at St. Adalbert's at 11am. Private Devotions at 2pm. Bitter Lamentations at 3pm. Liturgy of the Presanctified and Opening of the Tomb at 7pm.
- April 15: Holy Saturday. Liturgy of New Fire. Renew Your Baptismal Vow. Blessing of Easter Baskets, 4pm.
- April 16: Solemnity of the Resurrection: Procession and Solemn High Holy Mass at 8am, Holy Mass at 10am. Easter Repast/Święconka after each Holy Mass.
- April 23: Low Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.

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.

Acceptance today. The gift of glory.

But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit.

We walked through Lent and have reflected on God's conviction from all sorts of angles.

We started by reflecting on the necessity of choosing differently. Confronted by our conviction, we recognize that the natural outcome of our choices is a judgment of guilty and certain death. Yet, if we chose differently, with Jesus as our model, we are acquitted and receive the abundance of grace and the gift of justification.

We learned that our acceptance of conviction leads to moving from the conviction of guilt to conviction in righteousness. That acceptance and the righteousness that comes from it, allows us to move mountains, change the world, bear much fruit, and be truly victorious.

We know that God waits to meet us. That encounter offers the

opportunity to accept our conviction – something that is never compulsory. If we accept our conviction we obtain immediate salvation and begin bearing the fruits that come from that acceptance. We witness and draw many to Jesus.

We found that in Jesus wherever we come from or whatever we have done is of no account once we accept conviction. We move from who we were to being *His children of light*. The only reality that matters.

We realized that encounter and conviction, if accepted, provides a gift of faith so deep and powerful that not even death can diminish it. Not death, not disappointment, nothing! We develop a powerful 'even now' faith that actively trusts.

This Lenten journey and exploration begins its ending today. As we reflect on the road to the cross and grave we see many seeming to work contrary to God.

We see a parade of human sinfulness and its apparent consequences. Those who failed to accept conviction held onto their alleged power. Judas, holding onto the purse, betrays Jesus. The disciples holding onto their perceptions of love and faithfulness, run away because their opinions do not stand up to challenge. The religious leaders hang onto external acts of religion over deep internal change. Pilate and the Roman soldiers hold unto political power, a power that only lasts for a time. The crowds hold unto whatever opinion is popular now. Jesus alone – the one who could never be convicted - accepts conviction.

Jesus submitted to the Father's will, took up the cross, and staggered through a parade of non-acceptance powerfully displaying total acceptance. He fulfills His mission, opens the door for our ability to accept, and our entry into the powerful and glorious future we live today.

For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.

John 6:38-39

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 1 Peter 2:15
MONDAY: Ephesians 5:17
TUESDAY: 1 John 2:16-17
WEDNESDAY: Luke 6:46
THURSDAY: Psalm 40:8
FRIDAY: Matthew 6:10
ATURDAY: Hebrews 13:20-2

Pray the week:

Lord, grant that with you as my model I may ever do the Father's will.

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The name says it all. This is the most sacred time of the year for Christians and it all begins today. Jesus marched openly and loudly into the heart of Jerusalem and the Temple. The people had high hopes that He would be the Messiah they wanted Him to be, one who would conquer the Romans and reestablish the earthly kingdom of Israel. This was never Jesus' intent, and He was transparent about that. The cries of Hosanna to the Son of David ring out as the peace bringing King enters Jerusalem. As we process today, picture yourself there. Take up the blessed palms and olive branches and proclaim the King. As you place them in your home or car, look upon them, and recall the duty of proclamation and witness they symbolize

New (Easy) Project -Results

By going to our church Facebook page, and by liking and sharing our new daily inspirational posts, you have increased our average weekly reach from about 250 people per week to now well over 1200. You have evangelized and prayed for those who see those posts. You have encouraged and challenged them, and have taken steps to draw them closer to Him. Thank you and keep it up!

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Please take now of our Holy Week and Easter schedule. Invite your friends and family, and plan to take part in all the liturgies of the Triduum – from Maundy Thursday to Holy Saturday: **Maundy Thursday**. Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm; **Good Friday**. 3rd Annual Cross Walk Starting at St. Adalbert's at 11am. Private Devotions at 2pm. Bitter Lamentations at 3pm. Liturgy of the Presanctified and Opening of the Tomb at 7pm; **Holy Saturday**. Liturgy of New Fire. Renewal of Baptismal Vows. Blessing of Easter Baskets, 4pm.

Cross Walk and Help Needed

This year we will once again participate in the annual Cross Walk through Mont Pleasant. Cross Walk will start at St. Adalbert's Parish on Good Friday, April 14th at 11am. Seven Churches, including ours, are participating. We could use volunteer crossing guards. Please let Fr. Jim know ASAP. Thank you to all who have stepped forward.

Planning Longer Term

- The annual women's inspirational conference: *It Is Well With My Soul... Mind & Body* on Saturday, April 29th in Queensbury, NY.
- Music Scholarship Applications are due May 1st.
- 17th Mission & Evangelism Workshop at Holy Cross Parish, Woodland Park, NJ. May 5th.
- 2017 Spring Women of Worship conference is being held on Saturday May 6th, 8 am to 4 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Colonie, NY.
- 72nd Annual Bowling Tournament at the Church of the Transfiguration, Wallington, NJ, May 19th-21st.
- National United Choirs Convention and Workshop, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Manchester, NH, July 26th-28th.

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 Sczepkowski, <u>Derek</u> Westcott, <u>Dolores</u> Konicki, <u>Pastor Tom</u> 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 <u>Jessie</u> Wilcox, <u>Snyder Family</u>, <u>Amber</u> Tatlock, <u>Kathleen</u> Hietala, Vicky Stover, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Dennis, <u>Donnie</u> Wright, <u>Karen</u> Kisch, <u>Joe</u> Emmanuel, <u>Gregory</u> Henderson, Muse En Lystrala, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith, Adam, Allyson Keyser, Richard and Suzette Place, Amanda Carr, Tyler Hoffman, the <u>Hoffman Family</u>, <u>Daniel</u> Diianne, <u>Warren</u> Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo Diianne, Cassandra Wade, Garry Packer, All in need of God's healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. <u>Michael</u> Angehr, <u>Mark</u> Collins, <u>Pattric</u> Jones.
- 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 Trinity Parish, Throop, PA. Very Rev. William Chromy, Pastor.

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

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who assist with this ministry of hospitality. Please volunteer to help.

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. Help is always needed for SOCL especially in instructing and encouraging our youth. Please see Fr. Jim.