

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time XVIII Niedziela zwykła

August 4, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23

Psalm: Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17

**R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Intention: For Carson Hobson and his parents.

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

Lector: Larry Panfil

- Worship begins at 9:25am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am, Baptism
- Exposition and Benediction

## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time XIX Niedziela zwykła

August 11, 2013

Rite: 9:30am Deacon Missal

First reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Psalm: 33:1,12,18-22

**R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Intention: For all parishioners

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

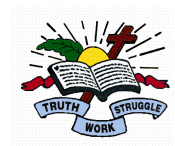
Lector: Claudia Bertasso

- Worship begins at 9:25am with Matins.
- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 9:30am
- Blessing of New Parish Infrastructure

*“Our virtue-loving Master wishes us to depart far from all earthly and temporal matters; to flee from the love of the flesh, and from the vain anxiety of business, and from base lusts; to set no value on hoards, to despise wealth, and the love of gain; to be good and loving unto one another; not to lay up treasures upon earth; to be superior to strife and envy, not quarrelling with the brethren, but rather giving way to them, even though they seek to gain an advantage over us” – St. Cyril of Alexandria*

**Sick Calls and Hospital Visits** – Please know that hospitals will not advise parishes when an individual is admitted. Health 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...

- August 4: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Baptism of Carson Hobson
- August 6: Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord
- August 11: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Special Blessing
- August 15: Solemnity of the Dormition of the B.V.M.
- August 18: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- August 24: Feast – St. Bartholomew
- August 25: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time/Youth Sunday
- August 26: Solemnity of the B.V.M. of Częstochowa
- August 29: Solemnity of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist
- August 31: Track & Field Meet

I can't help myself.  
Isn't it ok?

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”

The theme of our readings and gospel all center on doing things for the right reason, having the right priorities. They obviously focus on avoiding greed as the antithesis of proper living, “...the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?”

As Christians we are to guard against placing our priorities wrongly. As we reflect on Carson’s baptism, we should recall our baptism. We descended into the waters of baptism, dying to the world and buried. Emerging we came into new life in the resurrected Christ. As people living in the resurrected Christ we have new priorities.

St. Paul says this plainly: *For you*

*have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.* He reminds us that our focus must be changed – and we need to be reminded because we forget: *If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.*

The problem we face in setting priorities as Christians is how far and how fast we need to go in re-ordering our reasons, focus and priorities.

Can we find a word that simply expresses the overwhelming love and dedication we are supposed to have for Jesus Christ? It has to be a word that describes a love and dedication that is more than something that just bubbles under the surface, but rather radiates out of us, making our lives evidently different to all those we meet. Perhaps the right word is “crazy?” Crazy can mean *mentally deranged; demented; insane; senseless; impractical; totally*

*unsound.* It can also mean *intensely enthusiastic; passionately excited.*

So how do we get to the kind of crazy that shows an enthusiastic and passionate life with Christ? It starts with commitment and practice. Baptism is the first step in commitment and dedication. From there, with the help of our parents, we practice – in Church, by reading scripture, and in regular prayer – learning Jesus’ way, focusing on educating ourselves about Jesus’ direction for our life, and working in community to do His will. With that education and practice we learn to live the right way and with the right priorities.

When we get to the kind of crazy that radiates passions in line with Jesus’ priorities we become restorers of hope in the midst of our families, workplaces, neighborhoods, and in the wider world. We find that we cannot help ourselves in a way that is absolutely ok – more that ok – it is wonderful. It is crazy right.

There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world.

1 Timothy 6:6-7

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 62:10  
MONDAY: Psalm 119:36  
TUESDAY: Ezekiel 33:31  
WEDNESDAY: 1 Timothy 6:10  
THURSDAY: 1 Corinthians 10:24  
FRIDAY: Philippians 2:20  
SATURDAY: 2 Timothy 3:2-3

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me a generous heart and a willingness to love others consistent with Your way.

Transfiguration of the Lord

St. Leo tells us: *And in this Transfiguration the foremost object was to remove the offense of the cross from the disciple's heart, and to prevent their faith being disturbed by the humiliation of His voluntary Passion by revealing to them the excellence of His hidden dignity.* He then goes on to focus of the Father’s voice from the cloud, “*Hear Him.*” *Hear Him, therefore, unhesitatingly, in Whom I am throughout well pleased, and by Whose preaching I am manifested, by Whose humiliation I am glorified; because He is the Truth and the Life, He is My Power and Wisdom. Hear Him, Whom the mysteries of the Law have foretold, Whom the mouths of prophets have sung. Hear Him, Who redeems the world by His blood.*

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Transfiguration of the Lord this Tuesday, August 6th, let us obey the Father’s direction to Hear Jesus. This is especially important in our day. We know that Jesus was humiliated in carrying out the Father’s will. We know that He suffered and died; yet true glory was beneath it all and is offered to us. We know that we may very well be subject to suffering as well. If we Hear Him we are not only willing to endure suffering and persecution for His Name, but well aware of the reality that awaits us – the glory of the Lord.

Craft Fair this Fall

We will be holding a seasonal/holiday craft fair on Saturday, October 12th from 9am till 4:30pm at the Rotterdam Senior Citizens Center, 2639 Hamburg St., Schenectady. At the present time we are seeking vendors for the fair, so if you know any crafters please invite them. Tables are \$25/\$30 or \$10 extra with electric. We will be serving food too. Stephanie Dominy, Gayle Clas, and Kelly Supinski are leading this effort. We will hold meting every few weeks in preparation. Please feel free to join in. Also, in the fall, our SOCL student will be creating crafts that we will be able to sell at the fair in support of the SOCL program.

Music & More

Next up - the annual YMSofR Zlot/Track and Field Tournament. See Deacon Jim and sign-up. Please pray for the success of these events and the safety of all traveling to them.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Our next event is Sunday, August 25th. 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.

Of note...

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Kay Kaminski, 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 Radzysimski, 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, Patricia Lewis, Peter Loss, Wayne Balnis, Louie Perkinson, Laurie Speech, Gary Wilkinson, Jakub Kozina, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley Bilinski, George Damouni, Chris, James McGrath, Brian Soos, Mary Ellen Hitchings, Frances Myslinski, Jean Nowak, Edward Glover, Tamara Albury, Melissa Dixon, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers.

- 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 who have asked for our prayers.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in our Holy Polish National Catholic Church. This week we remember: Holy Cross Parish in Central Falls, RI its congregation and pastor, Very Rev. Robert M. Nemkovich Jr.

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

**Coffee Hour:** This week we conclude our coffee hour for the months of July & August. Thank you to Ed Bertasso and God bless you for your ministry of hospitality in providing for this time to gather after services every 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.