



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 1, 2018

## Solemnity of the Resurrection Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego

April 1, 2018

Rite: 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

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Intention: 8am śp. Marlyn Martiniano and 10am for all parishioners.

Celebrant: 8am and 10am Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 8am Larry Panfil, 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

## Low Sunday Niedziela Przewodnia

April 8, 2018

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 4:32-35

Psalm: Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Easter Lauds at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour, SOCL/Confirmation/First Communion Classes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

***"O Death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory? Christ is risen, and you are overthrown. Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen. Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice. Christ is risen, and life reigns. Christ is risen, and not one dead remains in the grave. For Christ, being risen from the dead, is become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." -- 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 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 1: Solemnity of the Resurrection/Easter, Procession and Solemn High Holy Mass at 8am and Holy Mass at 10am. Easter repast after each Holy Mass.**
- **April 8: Low Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and Holy Mass at 11:30am.**
- **April 9: Annunciation of the B.V.M. (translated).**
- **April 15: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 9:30am only. Basket Social at Noon.**
- **April 16: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting follows.**
- **April 22: Good Shepherd Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and Holy Mass at 11:30am.**
- **April 24-25: Supreme Council Meets.**
- **April 25: Feast – St. Mark the Evangelist.**
- **April 27-29: National Mission and Evangelism Workshop, Carnegie, PA.**
- **April 29: 5th Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 9:30 and Holy Mass at 11:30am.**
- **April 30: Solemnity – St. Joseph the Workman.**

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.

The stone is gone!

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

Searching back through scripture we come to the various encounters between Jesus and Mary Magdalene. There are thirty-eight verses that refer to her.

Some consider her the prostitute who was going to be stoned by the crowd until Jesus intervened. Some believe she is the woman that anointed Jesus at the house of Simon the Leper, or the one who washed Jesus’ feet with her tears, anointed them, and dried them with her hair.

While those women were not given a specific name, we do know from scripture that Jesus, specifically, saved her. Luke 8:1-3 is that reference to her: *Soon afterward he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. And the twelve were with him,*

*and also some women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out.*

Mary comes to the tomb, early in the morning and finds the stone is gone. What a beautiful scriptural testimony to what Jesus has accomplished for her and for us; the stone is removed.

We face many trials and tribulations in our lives. The world is filled with stones that stand in the way of true joy and happiness. When we face these things, when the stones of our existence confront us, we are called to remember this moment of our salvation.

Mary is our example, standing before the removed stone. She is, at first, filled with questions and wonder, and then it hits. The alternate Gospel, for this morning, taken from Mark, adds detail: *On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the*

*right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter.*

She runs off to the Apostles. She begins to tell of it as she had been directed. She now connects fully to the removed stone.

We have a story to tell. We, the Christian faithful, have experienced the removal of our stones. By His death and resurrection, whatever stood in our way to eternal glory has been removed. Spread the joy!

Will we run across stones and confront roadblocks and obstacles? Most certainly! When we do, recall this most sacred moment, this day of indescribable joy. Whatever we confront can be climbed, and surmounted. Jesus has destroyed and overcome all stones. Alleluia! He is risen!

Who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself.

Philippians 3:21

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: John 11:25-26  
MONDAY: 2 Corinthians 5:8  
TUESDAY: 1 Corinthians 15:22  
WEDNESDAY: John 3:16  
THURSDAY: Matthew 28:2  
FRIDAY: 2 Timothy 1:10  
SATURDAY: 1 Corinthians 15:43

Pray

Lord, You have risen from the tomb and abolished death. Draw me ever closer to You in this life so that I may have life with You eternally

Thank You

A heart-felt Thank You is extended to everyone who helped to prepare the church for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies, and to everyone who participated in them. A special thank you to our Choir Director and singers, the Adoration Society for decorating the Sanctuary, and the men who carried the symbols of resurrection in this morning’s procession. A special Thank You to our acolytes whose help is appreciated and needed so that our liturgies flow smoothly and reverently. They have had quite a workout and participated in each and every liturgical celebration. I deeply appreciate their time and commitment. Thank you to all who attended and helped with Cross Walk and to Marilyn for the wonderful Easter repast.

On behalf of the Parish committee, myself, and my family, I extend our wishes for every blessing and grace for you and yours this Easter season.

Drodzy Bracia i Siostry

Jezus zmartwychwstając śmierć pokonał, a cudu tego dla nas - ludzi dokonał, abyśmy z czasowego życia ziemskiego mogli przejść do boskiego życia wiecznego.

Niech Zmartwychwstanie Pańskie, które niesie duchowe odrodzenie, napelni wszystkich spokojem i wiarą, oraz da siłę w pokonywaniu trudności i pozwoli z ufnością patrzeć w przyszłość...

Radosnych i błogosławionych Świąt Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego spędzonych w gronie najbliższych życzy.

ks. Jakub i rodziny

Lenten Directed Giving Thank You

You offerings were delivered to Schenectady Inner city Ministries, now known as Schenectady Community Ministries, last Sunday. God bless your generosity that raised 273 pounds of much needed food!

Gospel Jubilee Concert & HNJ Concert

The largest continuing gospel celebration in the Capital Region, Gospel Jubilee, is back at Proctors on Friday, April 20th at 7pm. Let’s get a group together.

We expect to hold a Gospel concert here in the parish on Saturday, May 19th. Please stay tuned for further details.

Basket Social

Our annual basket social is not that far off – only 2 weeks away. We really need your help to make this year’s Social a success. Can you donate a basket, or two, or three? They don’t have to be huge - anything will do. There is also a sign up sheet for desserts. Through your love and charity, we are able to touch the lives of others and maintain a vibrant faith community.

Of note.:

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Bishop Stanley, Brian Soos, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Sczepkowski, Dolores Konicki, Pastor Tom Kendall, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, Shirley Greene, Madison Sheridan, Sean and Jessie Wilcox, Snyder Family, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Donnie Wright, Derek Westcott, 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 DiIanne, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Vincenzo DiIanne, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Sandra Tatlock, Crystal Haley, Michelle & Eric, Tina Haq, Louis Kiernan, Jan Shufelt, Shirley Maliszewski, Allen Panfil. 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, Fr. Stan Jasiurkowski, Fr. Sr. Robert Pleczkowski, Fr. Andrew Bilinski.
- 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 Our Lady of Peace, Rennes, France.

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.

--- Holy Name: Sing O Christians! ---