



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JUNE 10, 2018

## 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### X Niedziela zwykła

June 10, 2018

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 92.

First reading: Genesis 3:9-15

Psalm: Ps 130:1-8

**With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.**

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

Intention: 9:30am for the health and healing of Marysia; 11:30am for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 9:30am Joe Kaczynski (sub.), 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

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

## 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### XI Niedziela zwykła

June 17, 2018

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 92.

First reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm: Ps 92:2-3,13-16

**Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.**

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all clergy of our Holy Church.

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

Lector: 9:30am Marilyn Hietala (sub.), 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Father's Day Breakfast, SOCL/Confirmation/First Communion Classes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

***The devil demonstrates simultaneously his weakness and his wickedness. He is unable to harm anyone who does not harm himself. In fact, anyone who denies heaven and chooses the earth is, as it were, rushing towards a precipice, even though running of his own accord. The devil, however, starts working as soon as he sees someone living up to faith's commitments, someone who has a reputation for virtue, who does good works. He tries to worm vanity into him, to make it possible for him to be puffed up with pride, become presumptuous, lose trust in prayer and not attribute to God the good that he does but to take all the credit himself. -- St. Ambrose of Milan***

**Ambrose of Milan**

**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...

- **JUNE: Sacred Vocations Month – Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate**
- **June 10: 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **June 11: Feast – St. Barnabas, Apostle.**
- **June 17: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Father's Day. Holy Mass at 9:30. Father's Day Breakfast. Holy Mass at 11:30am.**
- **June 24: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **June 25: Solemnity – St. John the Baptist (translated).**
- **June 29: Feast – Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles.**
- **June 30: Independence Day Holy Mass and Picnic, Waymart, PA.**
- **June 30 – July 7: Kurs Encampment.**
- **July 1: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 11:30am ONLY.**
- **July 2: Solemnity – Visitation 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.

## What is wrong with them?

*Jesus came home with his disciples. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."*

Today we re-enter the post-Pentecost season of Ordinary Time. As with nature around us, green has returned and we are called to growth.

In this season, we re-encounter the teachings of Jesus, His call to us to be different, to be changed, to be rich and abundant in our growth in holiness.

Jesus' family and the people of His hometown could not believe Him. Who is this man? Where does He get all this from? He must be crazy! Truth be told, if we were to really and honestly live as Jesus demands, our families and friends would say the same of us.

This is not a sermon about what we should do, for I well know that many here live as Jesus demands. Many here follow His call in ways that would make their families and friends say, if they knew the extent of their life in Jesus, 'They are out of their minds.'

The world really does think that of Christians – that we are mad. The world of sin, greed, conflict, anger, and deceit would like to see us all go away. It is not just the fact that the world is in sin, but because our life in Jesus nags them. It speaks to them of the fearful truth that the world's sinful ways are weak, temporary, and oh so fleeting. It is tough to look at people and know they will win while you are on the losing side.

Jesus came to tie up the 'strong man' of sin. He came to bind that strong man so that we who live in Christ prevail – come out as

the winners we are destined to be in the end. When the sinful hear that, they tremble. They use every ruse to try to incapacitate the true victor – Jesus Christ and His followers. Thanks be, they will not win.

As we come out of the joy filled season of Easter, as we recounted the great gift of the Holy Spirit, and reflected on the identity of God and His great gift of Himself in the Holy Eucharist, let us once again take up the mantle of life in Christ. Let us be Jesus crazy before the world. Let the world be astonished and nagged because we live the beatitudes, turn the other cheek, give it all away, and offer up our very selves for our brothers and sisters. Let us pray that our life in Jesus is that evident. Let us hope the world says of us: What's wrong with them? It is nothing, nothing at all.

*But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.*

**2 Peter 3:18**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Philippians 3:12-14  
MONDAY: Ephesians 4:14-16  
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2:2  
WEDNESDAY: Hebrews 5:12  
THURSDAY: Romans 12:21  
FRIDAY: Isaiah 8:20  
SATURDAY: John 10:28-29

## Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that I may continue to feed on You, Your way, and through the Holy Spirit come to live fully as You taught.

## Desperately Pray for Vocations

June is the month we devote to prayer for vocations. Please take home a copy of our Bishop's Pastoral Letter on this issue. While the Bishop speaks of hope, it is not hard to read between the lines and fathom the desperate situation the Church is in. If you and I do not pray now, and every day for vocations, who will? If we do not care enough to encourage our sons, grandsons, husbands, nephews, and cousins to the altar, who will? If we are willing to let all that has been built, here and across the world, die, what will be left for the future? Any Church is good enough, it doesn't really matter? Then people gave their labor and lives for nothing and our faith is an empty shell. There are hard decisions to be made. We have to pick ourselves up by the bootstraps, gather courage, and set to rebuilding for if we do not, who will?

## Home Repair Grants and Assistance

Better neighborhoods incorporated rebuilding Schenectady—one home at a time is now offering home repairs at no cost to you (for income-qualified clients only). These are home repair grants for qualifying properties in the city of Schenectady. Apply now by calling (518) 303-3778 for an appointment at 120 Emmons St., Schenectady, NY 12304. Also ask about homebuyer's education workshops, housing counseling services, foreclosure intervention counseling, and other programs available.

## Father's Day Next Week

Please join us as we remember our dads and the special men in our lives, living and departed, at next Sunday's Holy Mass. Bring dad along and enjoy a great breakfast – here at church, together.

## Clergy Pension – Donate and Pray

Did you know that our priests receive a pension from the Church? On Father's Day, we are asked to make donations toward that pension fund. They are so very needed. Why pray – because, frankly, the pension plan is so poor that our retired clergy often end up impoverished. A retired priest and his spouse receive a total of \$600 per month. They lose their housing and all the other benefits they had and must venture out to live on that meager amount – after having sacrificed their lives for their flock, they must sacrifice again. Should the priest die, the widow is left with \$300 a month. What a shame!

## National Convo Raffle

Fr. Jim has only a few remaining tickets for the national Convo raffle. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Winners receive one of two \$500 cash cards. See Fr. Jim.

## Busy Time

There are so many church wide activities starting this month. Please keep these in mind and please take part. Activities include:

- Kurs Encampment, June 30th through July 7th, Waymart, PA.
- CONVO, July 23rd through 27th, Scranton, PA.

## 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, Fred Hendricks, Jeanmarie Vollmer, Nicholas Emanuele, Marysia, and 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, Patric 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 all who work and worship at the Bishop Hodur Retreat and Recreation Center, Prime Bishop Anthony presiding.

**Coffee Hour:** Please join us for Coffee. Your support and assistance are needed for this ministry of hospitality.

**Of note. . .** 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.

--- *You have given us bread from heaven* ---