



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JULY 22, 2018

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### XVI Niedziela zwykła

July 22, 2018

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Psalm: Ps 23:1-6

**The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Epistle: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Intention: 9:30am for śp. Richard Maliszewski off. Chip & Jen 11:30am for all parishioners.

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

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

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour, Confirmation Class.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### XVII Niedziela zwykła

July 29, 2018

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

First reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Psalm: Ps 145:10-11,15-18

**The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6

Gospel: John 6:1-15

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

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

Lector: 9:30am Joe Kaczynski, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour, Confirmation Class.
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***In the Psalm, David invites you to be a sheep whose Shepherd is Christ, and who lacks nothing good, you for whom the Good Shepherd becomes at once pasturage, water of rest, food, dwelling, way and guide, distributing His grace according to your needs. By this He teaches the Church that you should first become a sheep of the Good Shepherd, Who will lead you by the catechesis of salvation to the meadows and to the springs of sacred teachings -- St. Gregory of Nyssa***

**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...

- **July 22: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **July 23 – 27: CONVO 2018. University of Scranton.**
- **July 25: Feast of St. James the Greater, Apostle**
- **July 26: Commemoration of Ss. Joachim & Ann, Parents of the BVM**
- **July 29: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Also, Commemoration of St. Olaf of Norway, King and Martyr.**
- **August 3: Feast – Finding of the Body of St. Stephen.**
- **August 5: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 6: Solemnity – Transfiguration of the Lord.**
- **August 12: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass with blessing of Produce, Flowers and Herbs at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 15: Solemnity of the Dormition of the B.V.M. Holy Mass at 7pm.**

### PRAY FOR CONVO

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.

## Great green today.

*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.*

As you know, over the past two weeks we have been focusing on history. There was our reflection on historical errors that keep repeating themselves because of the world's sinful lather, rinse, repeat lifestyle. We reflected on manifest destiny, not as a political or social call, but as a call from God – by which we overcome all obstacles in furtherance of our carrying out God's kingdom plan.

Today we hear the most well known Psalm of all – The Lord is my Shepherd. Psalm 23.

The 23rd Psalm is very well known chiefly for one reason – we hear it as we reflect on the history of a person who has died. It is said at almost every funeral home service and funeral or Requiem Holy Mass. It is, of course, comforting – being led by peaceful waters, protected, free from fear, anointed, having plenty – all is green and beautiful – but is it right?

Reading the words of Psalm 23 over and over, we are struck by the fact that it is not a mere reflection of some past benefit from God. It is not a historical re-telling of what God has done, but an indication of what God has done, is doing, and will be doing in our lives. For those who love grammar, the verb tense in the 23rd Psalm is the “habitual present.” God's action is dynamic, regular, and repeated.

God's Son, Jesus, is in the great

right now. He is not just the past, a historical reality – the Lord was our shepherd, nor is He something we are just waiting on, off in the future – the Lord will be our shepherd. No, He is in our now.

It is time for us to take the 23rd Psalm as the prayer, poetry, and hymn of our everyday lives. All of the promises of God and the reflections of David in singing out this great hymn are about our now. Jesus is shepherding us. He is protecting us – have no fear in witnessing faith and prayer daily and publically. He is gifting us with refreshment – that reserved for His faithful. He is feeding us, giving us rest, and calling us to follow His right path. Our God is amazing and now. Faithful, it is about today. Let not the Psalm be a hopeful reflection only after death, but our reality today.

*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

**Psalm 118:24**

### Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Mark 11:24  
MONDAY: Hebrews 3:7  
TUESDAY: Matthew 6:11  
WEDNESDAY: Hebrews 13:8  
THURSDAY: Hebrews 3:13  
FRIDAY: Luke 23:43  
SATURDAY: James 4:13-15

### Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that today will be made great by Your strengthening my witness and resolve.

## Picnic

Our ever growing, super fun, and free parish and community picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 19th. There will be one Holy Mass that day at 10:30am and the picnic will immediately follow on the parish grounds. The tent, tables, and chairs have been ordered. We look forward to seeing everyone there along with your family and friends. The picnic is open to everyone. The parish will be providing hot dogs and hamburgers – and we would appreciate it if you could bring a dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table. Thank you and God bless you.

## Summer Food Collection

As we usually do, we will be accepting food donations for those in need in Schenectady. People are not just in need at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Lent – but rather year-round. Let us continue to make the difference we have made for years. Food donations may be left by the Mary altar. God bless your generosity.

## JOIN NOW

All men of the parish are asked to take up a membership in the YMS of R. Fr. Jim will be discussing with each of you. We will be hosting the national YMS of R convention in 2019 and want to make sure the men of our Holy Church experience our great hospitality.

All women of the parish are asked to take up a membership in the ANS. Please see Marilyn or Liz for more information.

The PNUA is a fraternal benefits organization that steadfastly supports the work of our Church. At the vestibule of the church you will find pamphlets explaining available programs and benefits offered. Among the great benefits are college stipends available to students who have been members for at least five years.

## Back To Church Sunday

Back to Church Sunday is Sunday, September 16th. We need your help. This year's theme is “You Belong Here.” That is so true! Did you know that Schenectady is the most un-churched area in the United States? The vast majority of people in Schenectady County have no fellowship with God and His family. This is not a criticism; rather it is an opportunity. Our wish and prayer for their salvation must be coupled with action - an invitation to church. Help save someone today, tomorrow, every day, every week.

All regular churchgoers at Holy Name will receive ‘engagers.’ An engager is something we ask you give to at least 10 people inviting them ‘Back to Church.’

## Fr. Jim's July Schedule

Fr. Jim will be Chaplain at this year's Kurs Encampment. He will be away from June 30th through July 7th. He will also be away July 16th through 19th for a civil work commitment. As Fr. Jim is also the Convo 2018 Moderator, he will be away from July 23rd through 27th. If there is a spiritual need or emergency during these periods, please call Fr. Mark Gnidzinski at 518-453-2258.

## 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, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Szczepkowski, Dolores Konicki, Pastor Tom Kendall, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Lucas Taylor, Joanne Bauer, 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 Convo 2018.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobjagoslaw im, O Boze!

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to all who supported our ministry of hospitality. It will return in September. Please sign up to take a week when the new weekly list is posted.

Of note...:

**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 ---