



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

## Solemnity of Brotherly Love Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 9, 2018

Rite: Pew Missal, page 39, Canon, page 52.

First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

R. Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation.

Epistle: 1 John 4:17-21

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

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 (Hodur Rite).
- Coffee Hour, Confirmation Class at 10:30am.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Hodur Rite).

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## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXIV Niedziela zwykła

September 16, 2018

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

First reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

Psalm: Ps 116:1-6,8-9

**I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.**

Epistle: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

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

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

Lector: 9:30am Larry Panfil, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

- Matins at 9:20am. Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite).
- Coffee Hour, Confirmation Class at 10:30am.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

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*And you, when you see your brother lying under the load, and the devil standing by, and kindling the pile, you run by, cruelly and unmercifully; a kind of thing not safe to do, even where brutes are concerned. And whereas the Samaritan, seeing a wounded man, unknown, and not at all appertaining to him, both staid, and set him on a beast, and brought him home to the inn, and hired a physician, and gave some money, and promised more: you, seeing one fallen not among thieves, but among a band of demons, and beset by anger; and this not in a wilderness, but in the midst of the forum; not having to lay out money, nor to hire a beast, nor to bring him on a long way, but only to say some words:— are you slow to do it? —*  
**St. John Chrysostom**

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**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...

- **September 9: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **September 11, 2018: 17th Anniversary of 9/11/2001. Prayer Service at 7pm.**
- **September 14: Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross.**
- **September 15: Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrows.**
- **September 16: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time. **Back to Church Sunday** Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **September 17: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting follows.**
- **September 21: Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.**
- **September 22: Polish Dinner, 4pm till 7pm.**
- **September 23: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **September 29: Feast – St. Michael the Archangel.**

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.

## Should we be afraid?

*There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because he first loved us.*

Every year we go through these two weeks that mesh so well together.

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of Brotherly Love. This Solemnity only occurs within our Holy Church, nowhere else.

This Solemnity recalls the power of brotherly love. It is the antidote to every form of evil. It heals where there is destruction. It provides hope in the midst of despair. It saves.

The Solemnity was first established in 1906 as our Church gathered for a Special Synod due to attacks against our young

denomination from both within and without the Church. As the delegates gathered they decided to not respond in kind. Rather, the lay and clergy delegates instituted the Solemnity of Brotherly Love. We would emphasize Christ's teaching of love toward one another and even love toward our enemies.

So it is today. Just because our Church isn't under attack as it was in 1906, does not mean we should just relax on our love.

Perhaps that's the problem with Christians. The old saying was: 'the blood of martyrs is seed of the Church.' The martyrs' faith and sacrifice drew others to the faith. People saw that kind of courage, faith, and confidence and said, 'I want some of that; I want to be like that.'

Today, not so much. Many congregations have gotten comfortable. They have flush bank accounts, around the same amount of people showing up each week.

They may even do a few extra things in the community, a little charity here and there.

Here, we do things a lot differently. We, like over 10,000 other churches across the country, are participating in Back to Church Sunday next week. Rather than be complacent, we have put our faith in Jesus because He is the One who changes hearts. We have put our feet and voices into action by inviting people to church. We have been and must continue to be their Good Samaritan.

This is of great import. It is key to the Christian life. We must give people a reason, an example, a way to say: 'I want some of that.' The most interesting things about being that Samaritan is having no fear in doing what is right. That much will be the one necessary action that saves someone.

*Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*

**Isaiah 41:10**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Joshua 1:9  
MONDAY: Psalm 34:4  
TUESDAY: 1 John 4:4  
WEDNESDAY: 2 Timothy 1:7  
THURSDAY: Exodus 20:20  
FRIDAY: 1 John 4:18  
SATURDAY: Philippians 4:6-7

## Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me the heart of the Samaritan, that I may love and bring people to You.

## Back To Church Sunday

**Back to Church Sunday is next Sunday. Let's work together to grow our family.** 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 an opportunity. Our wish and prayer for their salvation must be coupled with action - an invitation to church. Help save someone today. All regular churchgoers at Holy Name have received 'engagers.' An engager is something we ask you give to people inviting them 'Back to Church.' More are available. Just ask.

## Coffee Hours Resume

This week our weekly coffee hours resume. Please join us and take an opportunity to host. It's pretty easy and a great blessing when you share your gifts and creativity. There is a sign up sheet for coffee hours. God bless your lived faith.

## Rummage Sale

Our annual Rummage and Bake Sale is coming up - to be held on Saturday, October 13th. Please feel free to bring in items you wish to donate. Alyssa is leading this year's effort. Please lend her your support and assistance. There is a sign up sheet in church.

## JOIN NOW

**YMSofR Update:** 10 members so far. Thank you. All men of the parish are asked to take up a membership. Dues are \$6/year. 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 **PNU** is a fraternal benefits organization that supports the work of our Church. Many valuable and beneficial programs are offered including college stipends for students who have been members for at least five years. Check it out.

## Polish Dinner

Our parish will be holding a Polish Dinner on Saturday, September 22nd from 4pm - 7pm at **LOCATION TBD**. Dinner includes: Kielbasa, 2 Pierogi, Kapusta, Gołąbki, Rye Bread, and a Drink for \$14. Pre-sale tickets will be available shortly. Polish pizza and homemade desserts will also be available. If you would like to help (and we need your help) please see Joe Kaczynski.

## Concerns - Ask

As we have seen in the Press, the crimes and cover-ups in the Roman Church have not ended. Will they end, who knows? Decades of evil and malfeasance do not just 'go away.' While all these are more than negative, let us focus on what we have to offer the Christian faithful. There are good reasons to be National Catholics. See Fr. Jim if you want to talk.

## 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, Theresa, 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 Merciful Jesus Parish, Torino, Italy.

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

**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.

**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* ---

Of note...