



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 16, 2018



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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXIV Niedziela zwykła

Back to Church Sunday

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).
- Back to Church Breakfast, Confirmation Class at 10:30am.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXV Niedziela zwykła

September 23, 2018

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

First reading: Wisdom 2:12,17-20

Psalm: Ps 54:3-6,8

The Lord upholds my life.

Epistle: James 3:16 – 4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all members of Spójnia living and deceased.

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 at 10:30am.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

Besides even the Lord's sacrifices themselves declare that Christian unanimity is linked together with itself by a firm and inseparable charity, For when the Lord calls bread, which is combined by the union of many grains, His body, He indicates our people whom He bore as being united; and when He calls the wine, which is pressed from many grapes and clusters and collected together, His blood, He also signifies our flock linked together by the mingling of a united multitude. – St. Cyprian of Carthage

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Upcoming...

- 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. Spójnia Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- September 29: Feast – St. Michael the Archangel.
- September 30: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 8am ONLY. Blessing of Pets.
- October 1-3: XXV Holy Synod of the PNCC. Please Pray.
- October 2: Feast – Guardian Angels.
- October 4: Commemoration – St. Francis of Assisi.

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.

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.

Welcome to true freedom!

I love the LORD because he has heard my voice in supplication, because he has inclined his ear to me the day I called. For he has freed my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling. I shall walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Psalm 116 – words that cut so true today. They cut through the gloom and pain of isolation and loneliness. They cut away pain and hurt. They cut the entirety of negativity away so we can clearly see what God has in store for us. Yes, each of us!

So often we feel unworthy. How can God love me? Where is He in my life? I feel so alone and abandoned.

These are not just feelings, brief thoughts that pass through our minds and cast a shadow over our hearts. They can be a reality

WELCOME: Back To Church Sunday

Back again? Welcome!

Your first time here? Welcome!

Back after some time? Welcome!

Church is the place where loneliness and estrangement ends, where relationship, fellowship, friendship, brotherhood, sisterhood – all the things JESUS taught – starts and carries on.

Welcome!!!

Stay after church to continue our welcome and enjoy a great breakfast provided by Alyssa. Thank you Alyssa!

Polish Dinner

Our parish will be holding a Polish Dinner on Saturday, September 22nd from 4pm – 7pm at THE PARISH HALL. 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.

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.

XXV Holy Synod

The XXV Holy Synod of the Church begins on Monday, October 1 at 8am. Fr. Jim and Claudia Bertasso, your elected representative, are attending. Because of tight flight schedules, we will have only one Holy Mass on Sunday, October 31st at 8am. Please pray for this work of the Holy Spirit in the Church Jesus established. **Let us pray. Heavenly Father, Grant us Your grace and blessing, as we prepare to gather together in Holy Synod to seek the Lord Jesus through Your Holy Church. Send Your Holy Spirit upon our Holy Church, that we may be guided by Your Holy Will. Strengthen our bishops, clergy and laity who will gather so that their decisions at Holy Synod may help lead others to Your Son Jesus Christ. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

Spójnia Sunday

The Education & Youth Commission of the PNU is once again hosting a raffle to benefit our College Stipend Program. The raffle will be held on December 6th, 2018 @ the PNU Home Office, 1006 Pittston Avenue, Scranton, Pa. Donations for these tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 tickets for \$10.00.

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? 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.

whether we live alone or with 2, 4, 6, or even 10 other people. They exist whether we work or are retired. Young or old, loneliness, despair, and disconnection are on the rise. Seventy-five percent of Americans admit to feeling a deep sense of loneliness. That isn’t a once-in-a-while thing. That is deep despairing loneliness. The number of Americans with no close friends has tripled since 1985.

That is what today, and frankly every Sunday, is about. It is about God’s house, His dwelling place, His family, His body. St. Paul often used the body as an analogy. If one part of the body needs help, we, the church, are to work together to save it.

Sunday is not just a momentary beginning – a few hour head start on the rest of the week. Sunday is the start of continuous action – to plug-in, to connect, to form and live friendships, to end loneliness and separateness.

In our Psalm, David finds God’s rescue. He sings thanksgiving in response to Divine rescue from mortal danger and from near despair. David knows God heard his cry. God freed him and David’s heart was filled with love – he saw and got it. God’s goodness made sense to him – finally. But David does more than sing.

In response to God’s love, David pledged and confessed faith. That is always the start. If you have never done that, pray along with me: Lord, I believe in You. I accept Your salvation and deliverance. I confess that I have sinned and done wrong before You. Cleanse me. I ask You into my life and acknowledge You as my Lord and Savior. You have been truly freed. Jesus will never leave you, nor will His Church, His people. Welcome to church!

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:36

Time to Study God's Word

- SUNDAY: 2 Corinthians 3:17
- MONDAY: John 8:32
- TUESDAY: Galatians 5:1
- WEDNESDAY: Romans 8:1-2
- THURSDAY: Galatians 5:13-14
- FRIDAY: Romans 8:21
- SATURDAY: 1 Peter 2:16

Pray

Lord Jesus, thank you for freeing me. Help me to work with You in freeing others from loneliness and despair.

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, 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 Holy Spirit Parish, Sabaudia, Italy.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobłogosław 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...