



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 11, 2018

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXII Niedziela zwykła

November 11, 2018

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

First reading: 1 Kings: 17:10-16

Psalm: Ps 146:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Epistle: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Intention: 9:30am for members of the Węglinski family and 11:30am for the repose of Rt. Rev. śp. Stanley Bilinski.

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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXIII Niedziela zwykła

November 18, 2018

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

First reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Psalm: Ps 16:5,8-11

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

Epistle: Hebrews 10:11-14,18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

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).

Do not be one who stretches out his hand to receive, but shuts when it comes to giving. Of whatever you have gained by your hand, you shall give a ransom for your sins. You shall not hesitate to give, nor shall you grumble when you give, for you shall know who is the good Paymaster of the reward. You shall not turn away the needy, but shall share everything with your sibling, and shall not say it is your own, for if you are sharers in the imperishable, how much more in the things which perish? For the Father wants people to give, every one from the gifts that have been freely granted to them. Blessed is the one who gives according to the commandment, for that one is guiltless. – The Didache.

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...

- **November 11: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. 100th Anniversary of Polish Independence.**
- **November 12: Veteran's Day (observed)**
- **November 18: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 19: Healing Holy Mass and Anointing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meeting follows.**
- **November 21: Solemnity – Presentation of the B.V.M.**
- **November 22: Thanksgiving.**
- **November 25: Solemnity – Christ the King. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 30: Feast – St. Andrew, Apostle.**
- **December 2: 1st Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Blessing and lighting of the Advent Wreath, Blessing of Christmas Waffers/Oplatki.**
- **December 6: Commemoration – St. Nicholas. Fr. Jim's 4th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood.**

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.

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A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Before I begin discussion of today's readings and Gospel, I am going to clue you in on next week; give you a preview of what is to come. It is, in fact, about what is to come: "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory"

The widow in today's Gospel had all that in mind. She knew it before Jesus even said it. It was written on her heart. The end will

come. God will gather His elect. Where will I stand? She decided to stand with God's warriors; with those who were, and are today, all in.

Many gloss over today's gospel as a lesson in generosity, about giving to the church. There is that lesson which is pretty easy to grasp. As Christians however, we are asked to look beyond mere appearance, outward signs, to what lies beneath. In the Gospel according to St. John, Jesus tells us: "Stop judging by outward appearances, and start judging justly." Jesus wants us to get at deeper truth, the full impact of His Good News.

Going deeper into the Word of God calls us to go deeper into His life giving way. We are called to do as the widow did, to throw it all in, to say – nothing is more valuable than God's way, to walk with Him in complete faith and confidence.

Oh, how we long for miracles. Our hearts desire healing, safety, the good of children and family, long life, financial freedom, love, comfort, security, and so much else. Yet, when we are called to be fierce warriors for God, to proclaim His name, to gather souls, to stand for God's truth and justice over opinion and politics... Do we throw it all in? Do we go all the way? Do we believe in His miracles? Do we trust?

These are hard choices. It is a choice one poor widow made in the Temple, a choice another poor widow made in giving the last of her water, oil, and flour to an unknown holy man. They went all in in the presence of the Holy. That is the deeper truth, recognizing God's ask and doing it. We are called to that kind of faith and courage – to all-in warrior status for God.

The Lord goes out like a mighty man, like a man of war he stirs up his zeal; he cries out, he shouts aloud, he shows himself mighty against his foes.

Isaiah 42:13

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Judges 6:12

MONDAY: Psalm 144:1

TUESDAY: Matthew 28:19

WEDNESDAY: Jeremiah 20:11

THURSDAY: Revelation 19:11-14

FRIDAY: Ephesians 6:10-18

SATURDAY: Revelation 1:4-7

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant that I may be all-in for You. Help me to see and know the strength and bravery already in me for Your glory!

100th Anniversary of Polish Independence

On November 11, 1918, at the 11th hour, World War I ended, and in that moment the formal Nation of Poland was reborn. This year is the 100th anniversary of Święto Dzień Niepodległości – the Day of Independence.

Poland was divided by the autocratic powers of Germany, Russia, and Austria-Hungary in 1793. These powers were responding to the Constitution of 1791 that granted the right to vote and other freedoms. They feared the spread of such freedoms and saw them as a threat to their dictatorial powers. Poland remained divided for 123 years. On three occasions, 1794, 1830, and 1863, Poles led insurrections to regain their territorial integrity and freedom.

The return of Polish independence was due, in large measure, to Americans of Polish heritage. Many had joined the Free Polish Army – known as the Blue Army. The Blue Army trained in Ft. Erie, just across the boarder from Niagara Falls, NY, and fought in Europe for Poland's freedom.

The dream and work of Bishop Hodur and the organizers of the Polish National Catholic Church was realized in the regaining of independence. Even so, after the war, Bishop Hodur and the Church had to fight in Polish courts for religious freedom so that our Church might serve people back in their homeland.

The history of Poland is replete with tales of bravery, to standing up against insurmountable odds such as when Poland fought off Russian Armies in 1920 who were seeking to conquer all of Europe for the purpose of spreading communism. Its main contribution, however, is the establishment of a pluralistic, religiously free country. From the General Charter of Jewish liberties in 1264 of complete religious freedom in 1573 and the welcoming of Protestant refugees from all over Europe – Poland exemplified freedom. Let us pray for Poland this day, so that the ideals of freedom, pluralism, and welcome may grow and so that xenophobia, mistaken ideas based on Roman Catholic religious nationalism, and attempts at autocratic rule may be thwarted.

Food Collections

Our annual Thanksgiving and Christmas food collection for those in need in our local community is underway. Please leave your offerings by the Mary Altar.

Share and Be a Missionary

Sharing on Facebook can make you a missionary and witness to Jesus. If you have Facebook and like our page at <https://www.facebook.com/HolyNameOfJesusSchenectady/> you will notice our daily Outreach Social postings. These beautiful, inspirational graphics include Bible verses, inspirational sayings and quotes, as well as conversation starters. All we need you to do is like, comment and **share** them with your friends. That's it - see I told you it was easy! Of course, if any of your friends ever ask why you are sharing these graphics, tell them about your faith, our church, and invite them to come with you!

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, 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, Paul Griswold, 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, Kit Yarrow, Chris Gancarz, Sal Madalone, 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 The Parish of Our Lady, Brant, NY.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobjagoslaw 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 140 of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. See Father Jim.

--- I can do all things through him who strengthens me. ---