



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – AUGUST 4, 2019

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XVIII Niedziela zwykła

August 4, 2019

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

First reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Psalm: Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Intention: 9:30am and 11:30am for all parishioners, youth, and vocations.

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

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

- Matins, page B7 at 9:20am, Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3. Exposition & Benediction.
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

TODAY'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. You have given my days a very short span; my life is as nothing before You. All mortals are but a breath.

R. Anyone can see that the wisest die, the fool and the senseless pass away too, and must leave their wealth to others.

V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XIX Niedziela zwykła

August 11, 2019

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

First reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Psalm: Ps 33:1,12,18-22

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-12

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Intention: 10am for our neighborhood.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am Larry Panfil

- Matins, page B7 at 9:20am, Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3.
- Neighborhood Picnic (Church Grounds).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The Lord is my strength and my shield, in Whom my heart trusted and found help. So my heart rejoices; with my song I praise my God.

R. The Lord is our God who rules the whole earth. He remembers forever His covenant, the pact imposed for a thousand generations, which was made with Abraham, confirmed by oath to Isaac, and ratified as binding for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel.

V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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...

- **August 4: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 6: Solemnity - Transfiguration of the Lord.**
- **August 11: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Parish Picnic Follows.**
- **August 15: Solemnity, Dormition of the B.V.M. Holy Mass at 7pm.**
- **August 17: YMSofR Golf Tourney**
- **August 18: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 11am ONLY. Jack & Jill Shower to follow.**
- **August 19: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm.**
- **August 24: Feast - St. Bartholomew.**
- **August 25: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time/Youth Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **August 27: Solemnity - Our Lady of Czestochowa.**
- **August 29: Solemnity - Beheading of St. John the Baptist**

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.

Fearful navel gazing.

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!

Have you ever navel gazed? I am serious in asking. Have you spent time, standing in the bathroom, or sitting on your bed, gazing at your belly button, your navel? What did you find? Sure, fuzzies. Maybe you considered whether you liked/disliked the look. Oh, I wish I had an innie or outie!

Thinking about this, we can see why the term navel gazing' is a perfect analogy for looking inward, for a failure to look up and out.

A 'son of David,' a chronicler, assembled Ecclesiastes. Throughout the book we see the

term 'vanity' coming up again and again. It is another one of those Hebrew words that has not been translated very well. The sense the author was trying to get across was about the sense of "emptiness, futility, and absurdity" we encounter when we spend our lives navel gazing, looking inward.

If we spend our lives looking inward, rather than outward, then we fulfil the writing: *All [my] days sorrow and grief are [my] occupation; even at night [my] mind is not at rest.* A terrible way of existing.

St. Paul calls us to get out of ourselves, our futile cares that will amount only to sorrow and grief. He says, seek what is above. Put the navel gazing to death, and venture forth to declare the kingdom, to seek, to find, and most importantly to encounter and invite.

Jesus brings the point home. He is asking us to consider the things we dwell on, the inward looking, navel gazing futility. Is it all that important? Will it matter eternally? No! Rather, we must be ready to answer God about the treasures we have stored up: the souls brought to God, those saved and entered into the rolls of the kingdom.

If we each get out of navel gazing, if we clear out the fuzzies in our head concerning the tasks to be performed, then we will be part of the prosperity saved for those who are about kingdom work.

Let us pull our eyes out of ourselves, out of what blocks us, away from fear. Gaze on the power God has given us. Doing that we will be *Filled at daybreak with His kindness. We will shout for joy and gladness all our days.*

And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

Mark 16:15

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 28:19
MONDAY: Matthew 5:16
TUESDAY: Philemon 1:6
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 66:16
THURSDAY: 1 Peter 3:15
FRIDAY: 2 Timothy 4:5
SATURDAY: Romans 1:16

Pray the week

Lord, Grant me the courage to proclaim and invite. Pull my eyes from inward gazing to outward proclaiming.

Picnic Next Week / Upcoming Events

Join us for our annual neighborhood picnic on the parish grounds, next Sunday, August 11th. There will only be one Holy Mass at 10am prior to the picnic. Invite folks, let's picnic.

Jack and Jill Wedding Shower, August 18

CALL to Special Synod

Pursuant to article VII, LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY, B, THE SPECIAL SYNOD, SECTION 1 of The Constitution and Laws of the Polish National Catholic Church, Most Rev. Anthony A. Mikovsky, Prime Bishop of the Polish National Catholic Church, is calling a Special Synod for the Polish National Catholic Church to convene at Saint Stanislaus Cathedral Youth Center, Scranton, Pennsylvania, on Friday, October 25, 2019 with the concurrence of the Supreme Council. The sole purpose of this one-day Synod will be to elect Candidates for Bishop.

Pre-Synod Prayer

Lord Jesus, You commanded Your Apostles to go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to all nations. You have called bishops to succeed the Apostles continuing the Apostolic ministry. May our bishops keep watch over the faith, unity and order of Your Holy Church. Their inheritance is the faith of the Patriarchs and Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs, and believers of every generation who have looked to God with hope; may our Bishops and those to be elected as Candidates for Bishop, preserve that inheritance. Bless Your servants, our Bishops and those who will be Candidates for Bishop, whom You call to the fullness of the priesthood, so that Your grace may shine forth in their character and conduct. Strengthen them that they may be devoted shepherds and true examples for the flock entrusted to them. This we ask in Your precious Name. Amen.

TOGETHER!

September 15th is fast approaching. We are joining TOGETHER to increase church attendance and fellowship. The most amazing and wonderful things about us is our togetherness in Jesus' work. This year's Back to Church goal is a 25% increase in the number of regular worshippers. Keep in mind, this effort starts in prayer. It then blossoms with the realization that this is not an event put on for us. Rather, it is an opportunity for everyone to invite those we care about to church. Stay tuned for the videos we will be showing here in church and on the web. They tell of the power that comes from what we do; how lives are changed when we come TOGETHER. Lawn signs will be available shortly.

Banns of Marriage I

I publish the Banns of Marriage between Kyle Carlson of Schenectady County, New York, and Alyssa DePaula of Schenectady County, New York. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. This is the first time of asking.

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Marica Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Virginia Rogers, Curtis Szczepkowski, Dolores Konicki, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Joanne Bauer, Madison Sheridan, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, Joe Emmanuel, Gregory Henderson, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith, Adam, Allyson Keyser, Amanda Carr, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Sandra Tatlock, Jan Shufelt, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Jeanmarie Vollmer, Nicholas Emanuele, Theresa, Kit Yarrow, Chris Gancarz, Wayne Wienclawski, Zach, and all in need of God's healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. Garrett Grochowski, Michael Angehr, Mark Collins, Patricia 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 people and clergy of Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, McAdoo, PA.

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

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who support our ministry of hospitality. We will resume coffee hour in September.

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 reconstituted branch 140 of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. See Father Jim.

--- And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord---