

# Focus Bulletin

**HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH - AUGUST 11, 2019** 



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 9:50am, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).
Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3.

• Neighborhood Picnic (Church Grounds).

#### THIS 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.

## 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time XX Niedziela zwykła

August 18, 2019

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

First reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10

Psalm: Ps 40:2-4,18 **Lord, come to my aid!** Epistle: Hebrews 12:1-4 Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Intention: 11am for Kyle and Alyssa. Celebrant: 11am Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 11am Larry Panfil

 Matins, page B7 at 10:50am, Holy Mass at 11am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3.

• Private Event

#### NEX WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Where can I hide from your spirit? From Your presence, where can I flee? If I ascend to the heavens, You are there; if I lie down in Sheol, You are there too.

R. Surely darkness shall hide me, and night shall be my light. Darkness is not dark for You, and night shines as the day.

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 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 Częstochowa.
- August 29: Solemnity Beheading of St. John the Baptist.
- September 1: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- September 2: Labor Day.

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.

#### Who by faith.

"Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.

What do you have?

Last week we spoke of introspection, and the necessity of getting out of ourselves, of looking up and out. We spoke of using the power God has given us to draw in many to know, love, and serve God, to build up a storehouse of treasures God will be proud of. It is what we have.

Today, St. Paul drives the power of faith home in a long illustration curtain, and these people too are of faith history. We only heard a part of it, from Chapter 11 of Hebrews. If we take the opportunity to read the whole thing, we will see illustrations from every age of people who stood in the breech. These people did great and amazing things all

founded upon faith in things unseen and only promised. Paul tells us that this kind of faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. It is what we have.

The people of the old Israel kept faith alive in the midst of every challenge. Even when they had to worship in silence and hiding, they did not stop, and because of this, God brought them to victory. This is not just then, or a tale of old. This kind of faith lives today. We see illustration of the Church in hiding through the days of communism - a Church emerging intact from behind the iron well attested. We see it wherever bravery and perseverance are called for.

We have these examples of faith alive in our hearts, in our stories, in our reflections and prayers. They live in the way we face daily challenge and resistance to the worldly.

In just the past two weeks persecution has touched our Church. Fr. Franciscus Urban, a priest in Sweden, a former Marine, and an educator, was fired from his teaching job because of his faith. The headmaster said: "I can see no possibility for you to stay. Your 'values' do not meet with the school's 'value foundation'

Walking by faith has never been unchallenged, nor unchallenging. Yet, in living faith out we gain the greatest attestation available, the blessing of God and the assurance of the kingdom. Jesus drove the point home, saying: "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom." Let us take confidence acting in Him. This faith is what we have!

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7

#### Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 21:22 MONDAY: Romans 10:17 TUESDAY: James 2:19 WEDNESDAY: Ephesians 2:8-9 THURSDAY: James 2:14-18 FRIDAY: Luke 17:5 SATURDAY: Galatians 2:20

#### Pray the week

Lord, Grant me the gift of faith that I may move mountains of resistance and despair, showing the way to the hope that is mine by faith.

#### **Picnic Next Week / Upcoming Events**

Join us for our annual neighborhood picnic on the parish grounds, Today. Let's picnic.

Jack and Jill Wedding Shower, August 18

#### CALL to Special Synod

The 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 worshipers. 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.

#### **God's Gifts**

God expects us to be good stewards of His grace and gifts creation, life, body, talents, skills, and possessions. In order that the Lord will find us good stewards when He comes in glory, avoid complacency, idleness, gross negligence, procrastination, abuse of all things, and a mañana habit ("Mañana may translate to "tomorrow," but it really means "not today!") Let us resolve to religiously perform the tasks required of us: Protect, preserve and conserve all Gods' gifts; Develop all the spiritual, material and physical resources entrusted to our care; and Communicate and share all the fruits and benefits of the gifts and talents given us. Let us be ready today to give Him a good account of our stewardship.

### 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, <u>Virginia</u> Lamb, <u>Virginia</u> Rogers, <u>Curtis</u> Sczepkowski, <u>Dolores</u> Konicki, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Chris Tatlock, Helen Pasiak, <u>Jessie</u> Feathers-Ostrowski, <u>Joanne</u> Bauer, <u>Madison</u> Sheridan, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, <u>Derek</u> Westcott, <u>Karen</u> Kisch, <u>Joe</u> Emmanuel, <u>Gregory</u> 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, <u>Jeanmarie</u> Vollmer, <u>Nicholas</u> Emanuele, <u>Theresa</u>, <u>Kit</u> 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, Pattric Jones. Fr. Joseph Kolek, Fr. Stan Jasiurkowski, Fr. Sr. Robert Pleczkowski, Fr. Andrew
- 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 Holy Cross Parish, Baltimore, MD.

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.

**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.