

# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 27, 2019

## TOGETHER

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXX Niedziela zwykła

October 27, 2019

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

First reading: Sirach 35:12-14,16-18

Psalm: 34:2-3,17-19,23

**R. The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

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, page B7 at 9:20am, Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3.
- Coffee Hour, SOCL Classes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. For He is a God of justice, Who knows no favorites.

**R. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet He hears the cry of the oppressed.**

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.**

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXI Niedziela zwykła

November 3, 2019

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

First reading: Wisdom 11:22 -- 12:2

Psalm: Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14

**I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.**

Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 1:11 -- 2:2

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

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### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on the faithful. For He knows how we are formed, remembers that we are dust.

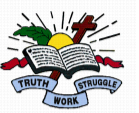
**R. As the heavens tower over the earth, so God's love towers over the faithful.**

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...

- **October 27: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **October 28: Feast - Ss. Simon & Jude, Apostles.**
- **October 31: Vigil of All Saints**
- **November 1: Solemnity of All Saints. Holy Mass at 7pm.**
- **November 3: Daylight Savings Time ends. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. Memorial Cemetery Services at Good Shepherd Cemetery, Amsterdam, NY, 2pm.**
- **November 5: Election Day.**
- **November 7: Commemoration - St. Willibrord of Utrecht.**
- **November 10: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **November 11: Veterans' Day/Remembrance Day/Narodowe Święto Niepodległości.**
- **November 16: Seniorate Thanksgiving Celebration. All Saint's Parish, Rome, NY at 11am.**
- **November 17: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**

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.

## Strong in prayer.

*The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.*

Jesus presents us with the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, both gone to the temple to pray. He draws a distinction in the manner of prayer offered by each.

The Pharisee takes *his position* (his entitled place, reserved just for him) and prays to... *himself*.

The tax collector takes the position of everyone, of no one in particular and in great humility seeks mercy.

It is easy for us to see the difference. Bad Pharisee, presumptive and arrogant, and poor tax collector, presumptive

and humble. Our hearts close to one and open to the other. Wait, did you just say both were presumptive? Factually, yes.

The Pharisee was presumptive in the most negative way possible. He judged himself to be worthy. He had no need to pray to God because all was already settled. He spent his time in temple with himself. On the other hand, the tax collector presumed to pray in the first place, that God was merciful enough not to strike him down for his sins right where he stood. He spent his time in temple with God. Presumption in and of itself was not the problem, rather it was the focus of the presumption, the expected outcome.

For the Pharisee, the expected outcome was more of the same. In the end, Jesus points

out, that presumption lost him the little he had. The tax collector's outcome was change and that presumption won mercy, salvation, and justification.

In our New Testament lives, we need to modify our presumptions. Consider what they are and adjust. Our primary presumption in prayer must be relationship with God followed by trust in His promises. Our prayer is not a mere speaking to ourselves about needs, but full knowledge that our prayers *pierce the clouds; does not rest till it reaches its goal*. Indeed, our presumptions must be based on what Jesus taught, and He taught the strength and power of prayer. Jesus reminds us to constantly to set our hearts on Him in faith, not to despair, and to know that our prayer reaches the throne of God and is effective. Presume that!

*"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."*

**Matthew 7:7**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Matthew 18:18-20  
MONDAY: 2 Chronicles 7:14  
TUESDAY: 1 Thessalonians 5:17  
WEDNESDAY: Philippians 4:6  
THURSDAY: James 5:16  
FRIDAY: Ephesians 6:18  
SATURDAY: Matthew 6:9-13

## Pray the week

Lord, grant me a heart of prayer and right presumption. Help me to trust in Your great promises!

## All Souls Day

Envelopes for All Souls Day / Dzień Zaduszny are available in the back of the church. Please include the names of all those you wish remembered and prayed for throughout November. Please turn them in by October 27th. Holy Mass on All Saints Day, November 1st, will be at 7pm. The Cemetery Service at Good Shepherd Cemetery will be held Sunday, November 3rd at 2pm.

## Late Fall/Winter Food Collection

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.

## YMSofR Clothing Drive

Starting November 1st, Branch 56 of the YMSofR is holding a clothing drive that will last through January 20th. Any type of clothing is welcome. Drop your items and bags off downstairs. Branch 56 will count the clothing and deliver it weekly to local charities that supply those in need such as The Guardian House which serves homeless female veterans, the Bridge Christian Church which serves our neighborhood, and others. This is part of a national service project. Help us clean out those basements and closets!

## Synod - Thank You

Fr. Jim and Mr. Larry Panfil, your elected delegate, attended the Special Holy Synod held on Friday, October 25th. The sole business of the Synod was to elect a candidate or candidates for the office of bishop. After 8am Holy Mass at St. Stanislaus Cathedral, Synod business began. The Very Rev. Jarosław "Jerry" Rafalko was elected on the first ballot. Upon the Prime Bishop's approval, Fr. Senior Rafalko will be consecrated and assigned to a diocese. Stay tuned for details. Thank you for your prayer.

## Seniorate Thanksgiving Celebration

The Mohawk Valley Seniorate's Thanksgiving celebration is planned for Saturday, November 16th at All Saints Parish, 801 Hickory St., Rome, New York. Get the bus ready so we can all go together to worship, give thanks, and celebrate. Holy Mass will start at 11am followed by dinner. Please let Fr. Jim know if you are attending.

## Church Year

We have about four weeks left in the current Church year and only about 8 weeks left in 2019. Please consider this time as opportune for increased prayer and sacrifice. The New Church Year begins Sunday, December 1st. We will be moving to the readings and gospels in Cycle A. Please consider your giving and the fulfillment of your membership dues commitment in these few final weeks. Stay tuned for all the great events occurring throughout Advent.

## 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, Stanley Ordon, David Urbanski, Greg Kaczmarek, Joe Munafo, 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, 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 people and clergy of Resurrection of Christ Parish, Dunellen, NJ.

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

Of note...

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to all who support our ministry of hospitality. There is a sign-up sheet. Please take a week. We need your help.

**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 this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.* --