

Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JANUARY 12, 2020



Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord Wspomnienie Chrztu Pańskiego

January 12, 2020

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

Psalm: Ps 29:1-4,9-10

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Epistle: Acts 10:34-38 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Intention: 9:30 for sp. Jane Battaglia and 11:30am for all parishioners, youth,

vocations, and the dearly departed.

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki. Lector: 9:30am Joe Kaczynski, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

Prayers 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. After Jesus was baptized, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened, [for Him], and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased."

R. He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.

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.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Il Niedziela zwykła

January 19, 2020

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

First reading: Isaiah 49:3,5-6

Psalm: 40:2,4,7-10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 Gospel: John 1:29-34

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

dearly departed.

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki. Lector: 9:30am Lauren DeBlois, 11:30am Claudia Bertasso

• Prayers 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).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Here is My Servant Whom I uphold, My chosen One with Whom I am pleased,

R. Upon Whom I have put My Spirit; He shall bring forth justice to the nations.

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.

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Upcoming...

- January 12: Solemnity Baptism of our Lord. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- January 18: Feast Chair of St. Peter at Antioch. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins.
- January 19: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- January 20: Martin Luther King Day.
- January 25: Feast Conversion of St. Paul. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ends.
- January 26: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Music Scholarship Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.
- February 2: Solemnity Presentation of the Lord. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY with Blessing of Candles and Throats followed by our Annual Parish Meeting and Elections.

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.

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.

Bruised and smoldering.

a bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench

On this Third Sunday after Christmas we celebrate, recall. and honor the Baptism of the Lord

As we honored the Lord's revelation to the Shepherds, as we honored the Epiphany of the Lord, His revelation to the nations, so today we see the next step - His revelation to His own people at the River Jordan.

Reluctantly, John baptizes Jesus. As He comes up, out of the water: the heavens were opened for Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Who Jesus is is revealed by the Father and the Holy Spirit.

In the next several weeks, as we continue the forty-day celebration of Christmas, we will see Jesus revealed in other ways. The totality of Christmas is about opportunity, it is about the opportunity to see Jesus for Who and What He is and the opportunity to reveal that.

We, Jesus' Church here locally and throughout the world, are charged to do what Peter finally figured out in Cornelius' house make Jesus known to everyone!

Living Christmas is living the opportunity to reveal Jesus, to show Him forth in a world that is running in every direction, looking for - well something unknown, and of course, unable to find it. Revelation is our job opportunity. It is our call to provide the definition of that which people seek and to open

the door to their finding what has been and will be eternally available - Jesus.

Confusion, uncertainty, conflict, answers that are empty and without life cannot bind up the bruised nor re-ignite the smoldering. Yet we can by taking the opportunity to reveal Jesus. What Isaiah tells us is so key, so very important. Jesus came, not to find the bruised and break them, to find the smoldering and quench them, but to bind and reignite. Jesus came to build the family of God. That, at its core, is what our baptism in His likeness is about. We too are to reveal, bind, build, and reignite like Jesus.

In baptism we are commissioned in the mission of revelation, and in revealing to bind up and re-ignite. We are called to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, coming up out of the waters of baptism to show the way to a seeking humanity bruised and smoldering.

The mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.

Colossians 1:26

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 1 Corinthians 2:10 MONDAY: Proverbs 1:5 TUESDAY: Luke 8:17 WEDNESDAY: John 14:21 THURSDAY: Hebrews 1:2 FRIDAY: Romans 16:25-27 SATURDAY: Psalm 25:14

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that my rising from the waters of baptism might be fruitful in revealing You and in walking in Your way.

Homegoing of Agnes Soodol

Our sister, Agnes Soodol, went home to the Lord this past Monday. No arrangements have yet been set. Please keep her eternal memory in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and may the perpetual light shine upon her.

Christmas Schedule

1/12 - Solemnity, Baptism of our Lord. Normal Sunday schedule.
1/18 to 1/25 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
2/2 - Solemnity, Presentation of the Lord. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY

Epiphany Visitation

Blessed chalk and incense are available in the front of the church. Fr. Jim would also love to visit your homes and offer a special blessing. Epiphany home visits began January 7th and continue through February 25th. See Fr. Jim to schedule a time.

Loose Change Goes In The...

Soup pot. The SouperBowl Sunday soup pot is out. Please drop in your loose change over the next month. Souper Bowl of Caring was originally founded by a church youth group in 1990. The movement has expanded ever since. Fueled by those coming together to worship and make a difference in their community, the SouperBowl of Caring assists those in need in our local community. We have participated since 1998 and have raised over \$2,200. Keep it going in 2020.

Music Scholarship Sunday/Scholarships

January 26th is Music Scholarship Sunday. We have been so blessed in our parish with many youth and adults garnering valuable scholarships. Honor them this day by contributing to the scholarship fund on the 26th. Applications are now available online. If you have any interest in music, give it a shot. See https://nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com.

YMSofR Clothing Drive - One Week Left

The YMSofR clothing drive ends next Sunday, January 19th. 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.

Do You Pray

Prayer doesn't just happen when we kneel or put our hands together and focus and expect things from God. Thinking positive and wishing good for others is a prayer. When you hug a friend. That's a prayer. When you cook something to nourish family and friends. That's a prayer. When you forgive someone by your heart. That is prayer.

Valentine's Raffle Tickets

Tickets for our annual Valentine's raffle for youth have been distributed. Please sell as many as possible and be generous in your personal giving. With 29 days in February this leap year, there are more chances to win. Prizes total \$1,220.

Praying for...

<u>Jasmine</u> Russo, <u>Laura</u> Covari, <u>Alice</u> Houser, <u>Angela</u> 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, <u>Joshua</u> Moraski, <u>Sue & Roger</u> White, <u>Chris</u> Tatlock, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Joanne Bauer, Madison Sheridan, Amber Tatlock, Kathleen Hietala, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, 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, Dewey Rogers, Carla, Anita, Yvette, Polly, Joanne Houser, FrTime, Ewelina Filyushchenko, Dave Micka, and all in need of God's healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. <u>Garrett</u> Grochowski, <u>Michael</u> Angehr, <u>Mark</u> Collins, <u>Pattric</u> Jones. Fr. <u>Joseph</u> Kolek, Fr. <u>Stan</u> Jasiurkowski, Fr. Sr. <u>Robert</u> Pleczkowski, Fr. <u>Andrew</u> 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 Blessed Trinity Parish, Fall River, MA.

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

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 140/168 of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. See Father Jim.

--- "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation." ---