



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JANUARY 19, 2020

DISCIPLESHIP
2020 PNCC



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time II 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).

THIS 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.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time III Niedziela zwykła

January 26, 2020

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

First reading: Isaiah 8:23 -- 9:3

Psalm: Ps 27:1,4,13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

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 Larry Panfil, 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. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom do I fear?

R. The Lord is my life's refuge; of whom am I afraid?

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 19: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **January 20: Martin Luther King Day. Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**
- **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.**
- **February 3: Commemoration of St. Blaise of Sebastea.**
- **February 9: Septuagesima Sunday. Pre-Lent Begins. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**

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.

The knowing.

I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

On this Fourth Sunday after Christmas we hear the testimony of John. In the gospel, John twice says: "I did not know him."

It seems odd for John to say such a thing. After all, John and Jesus were cousins. It is true that they lived in different towns, and transportation was hard on foot. Based on Church Tradition, John lived with his family in Ein Kerem, an eighty-mile, three-day journey on foot from Nazareth. Yet, it is highly likely

they did know each other. It was common for larger Jewish family gatherings to occur, especially during festivals, as well as in pilgrimages to Jerusalem. So why would John say: "I did not know him?"

Remember, that this Epiphany season is about revelation, Jesus becoming known. What John experienced following Jesus' baptism was a deeper knowing of Who Jesus is. He was no longer the cousin I knew back when. Actually, I probably knew Him better in my mother's womb when I leapt for joy. Now, I really get it. The Holy Spirit has helped me to see; I see Jesus in fullness according to the Spirit. Like John, seeing and experiencing the Lord in the fullness of His being and then acting upon that knowledge is the grace of God working in us. It is the Holy Spirit inspiring us. It is also a call to look beyond

mere appearance and to see each and every person, as the image of Emmanuel, the image of God among and with us.

John acted on his knowledge and spoke of it to the crowd. He pointed to "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." He spoke of what happened in his life. He is literally saying that his work, there by the river, was about making Jesus know.

As the faithful, we are called to make Jesus known. I would ask that we think about this work in a slightly different way. Christians often approach those who do not know as those who do not know, in other words, uninformed. What we might miss is in the saying of: "I did not know him," they like John already do know. They exhibit the traits of one who knows Jesus, in their goodness and love. They are created in His image. We, in our work, just need to help them see the fullness of what they already know.

but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows Me.

Jeremiah 9:24

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Philippians 3:10
MONDAY: John 17:3
TUESDAY: 1 John 4:6-7
WEDNESDAY: Proverbs 8:17
THURSDAY: Psalm 119:10
FRIDAY: Psalm 46:10
SATURDAY: Colossians 1:9

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that I might see You and know You fully and clearly. Help me to see You in each person I meet and to speak of the fullness of knowledge.

Homegoing of Lawrence Murtagh

Lawrence was the husband of our sister, Margaret. He went home to the Lord this past Sunday. His funeral was held yesterday. Please keep his eternal memory in your prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may the perpetual light shine upon him.

Christmas Schedule

1/18 to 1/25 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
1/26 - Music Scholarship Sunday.
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 - Last Day

The YMSofR clothing drive ends next today. Thank you for your generous donations. We will have a tally next Sunday after delivery 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...

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, 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. 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 Holy Cross Parish, Central Falls, RI.

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.

Of note:

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