



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – FEBRUARY 9, 2020

DISCIPLESHIP  
2020 PNCC



## Septuagesima Sunday Niedziela Siedemdziesiątnica

February 9, 2020

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

First reading: Sirach 15:15-20

Psalm: Ps 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

**Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!**

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Intention: 9:30 for all current and former Scouts. 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. Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

**R. The Lord has eyes for the just and ears for their cry.**

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.**

## Sexagesima Sunday Niedziela Sześćdziesiątnicy

February 16, 2020

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

First reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Psalm: Ps 103:1-4,8,10,12-13

**R. The Lord is kind and merciful.**

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

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. My brothers [and sisters], show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.

**R. But if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.**

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.**

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.

## Contact

Holy Name of Jesus

National Catholic Church, PNCC

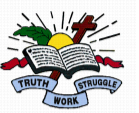
1040 Pearl Street

Schenectady, New York 12303-1846

Parish and Hall: 518-372-1992

In an emergency: Pastor Jim Konicki at 518-522-0944

On the Web: [www.holynamencecc.org](http://www.holynamencecc.org)



## Upcoming...

- **February 9: Septuagesima Sunday. Pre-Lent Begins. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **February 14: Commemoration of St. Valentine.**
- **February 16: Sexagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. 67th Anniversary of the Death of Prime Bishop śp. Francis Hodur.**
- **February 17: Presidents' Day. Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm.**
- **February 22: Requiem Memorial Holy Mass for Marilyn Hietala at 11am.**
- **February 23: Quinquagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **February 24: Feast, St. Matthias, Apostle.**
- **February 26: Ash Wednesday. Holy Mass with Blessing and Distribution of Ashes at 7pm.**
- **February 28: Stations of the Cross, 7pm.**
- **February 29: Retrospective of Black Gospel Music at 4pm,**

**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 Pastor Jim know so he might visit, pray with, anoint, and bring Jesus' healing presence to them. Call Pastor Jim at 518-522-0944.

## You have heard it said.

whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Welcome to the season of Pre-Lent, Septuagesima. This season is set apart as a time of reflective preparation for the upcoming Lenten season. We notice about us a penitential mood. The colors go to purple and rose. The Gloria is no longer proclaimed. The Alleluia is suppressed and is replaced by a Tract. The dismissal is "Let us bless the Lord."

This time of preparation means we are to desire to turn to the reality of what life must be. It is the clearing away of the dust and cobwebs, the pushing out of darkness and confusion, and a realization that there is light, a way, a goodness that brings

eternal life. It is a realization that life is not to be defined by what the crowds or noisemakers say, but by what Jesus defines.

Throughout this season we hear Jesus' teachings from the Sermon on the Mount. In many of these teachings, Jesus draws comparisons saying: "You have heard that it was said... But I say" This helps us, in this season, to reflect on what we hear all the time, what we have heard in the past, and what we will likely hear in the future; that noise of the crowd, and to turn away from it to the clarity Jesus has given.

In preparing let us view what Jesus says through the lens Sirach paints for us today: *If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you shall live; he has set before you fire and water to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand*

*Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.*

The noise of the age, the noise of the world past, present, and future cannot save us. That noise counts as nothing. Man's interpretation is, at its essence, self-serving and meritless. Seek rather the music of Jesus, the beautiful call to live righteous lives. Jesus' way is the clarity we really need. His direction is the way of life, teachings we can trust in, water for life, good, and life eternal. Now is the time to choose. Now is the time to stretch forth our hands to wipe the old away and to return to life. We must turn to Jesus' way.

Jesus commandments, His way, His fulfillment, His right interpretation is for us. Yes, it is for us, to *make us great in the kingdom!* Now is the moment, now the time to turn to His definitions, now to follow His way without limit. Now

"So you, by the help of your God, return, hold fast to love and justice, and wait continually for your God."

**Hosea 12:6**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 1 John 1:6  
MONDAY: John 14:23  
TUESDAY: Deuteronomy 20:1-4  
WEDNESDAY: Philippians 3:14  
THURSDAY: Ezekiel 18:30  
FRIDAY: James 1:25  
SATURDAY: Acts 3:19

## Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that I turn again to You, that Your commandments be my in my mind and ears, and that in turning I find forgiveness.

## Annual Meeting Thank You

Thank you to all who attended our annual meeting last week. Thank you to Kelly and Kyle for providing breakfast foods. Much good was accomplished in reviewing the past year, planning for the year ahead, and electing a new Parish Committee, Congratulations all to those elected.

## Scout Sunday

Today is Scout Sunday, Interfaith. We acknowledge all Scouts in uniform and former Leaders or Scouts who are present. We also offer a reminder to all Scouts of the religious awards of the Polish National Catholic Church that can be earned. See Fr. Jim.

## Celebrating Black Gospel Music

Come celebrate Black History Month with a return of the Black Diamond Performance Group to Schenectady, New York on stage at Holy Name on Saturday, February 29th at 4pm. See this retrospective on Black Gospel Music. Bring a canned or dry food offering as admission, which will be donated to a local charity. Feel free to also bring a dish to share with everyone for a potluck dinner. Come early! Celebrate!

## Remembering śp. Marilyn Hietala

We will hold a Requiem Memorial Holy Mass for our good friend and longtime members and benefactor śp. Marilyn Hietala on Saturday, February 22nd at 11am.

## 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.

## SouperBowl Thank You

Thank you to everyone who dropped their loose change in over the past month. Souper Bowl of Caring was originally founded by a church youth group in 1990. The movement has expanded ever since. The SouperBowl of Caring assists those in need in our local community. We have participated since 1998 and have raised over \$2,200. Thank you for your donations this year totaling \$110.

## Decennial Census & Tax Season

The decennial census of the United States is coming up. Please be sure to be counted. The IRS will begin accepting tax returns on January 27th. The IRS offers free online tax prep options for those who make less than \$69,000 per year. Details at [www.irs.gov/FreeFile](http://www.irs.gov/FreeFile).

## 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, 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 St. Casimir's Parish, Lowell, 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 Pastor Jim.

Of note...

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