



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 8, 2020

DISCIPLESHIP
2020 PNCC



Solemnity - Institution of the PNCC Św. Zorganizowania PNKK

March 8, 2020

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Wisdom 5:1-5

Psalm: 122:1-9

I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:1-5

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Intention: 9:30 and 11:30am for our Holy Church and Diving Providence.

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. Prayers for Divine Providence.
- Coffee Hour, SOCL Classes
- Holy Mass at 11:30am (Traditional Rite).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I lack. In green pastures You let me graze; to safe waters You lead me, You restore my strength. You guide me along the right path for the sake of Your name.

R. You set a table before me as my enemies watch; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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 of Lent III Niedziela Wielkiego Postu

March 15, 2020

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm: Ps 95:1-2,6-9

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Epistle: Romans 5:1-2,5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Intention: 9:30 and 11:30am for Diving Providence and healing.

Celebrant: 9:30am and 11:30am Rev. James Konicki.

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NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for You, O God. My being thirsts for God, the living God. When can I go and see the face of God?

R. O God, You are my God - for You I long! For You my body yearns; for You my soul thirsts like a land parched, lifeless, and without water.

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.

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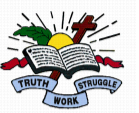
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Upcoming...

- **March 8: Solemnity of the Institution of the P.N.C.C. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am. DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STARTS.**
- **March 13: Stations of the Cross, 7pm.**
- **March 15: 3rd Sunday of Lent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **March 16: Holy Mass for Healing with Anointing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**
- **March 17: Commemoration - St. Patrick of Ireland.**
- **March 19: Solemnity - St. Joseph, Spouse of the B.V.M.**
- **March 20: Stations of the Cross, 7pm.**
- **March 22: 4th Sunday of Lent. Holy Mass at 9:30 and 11:30am.**
- **March 24: Feast - St. Gabriel, Archangel.**
- **March 25: Solemnity - Annunciation of the B.V.M.**
- **March 27 - 29: National Mission and Evangelism Conference.**
- **March 29: Passion Sunday. Passiontide 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 Pastor Jim know so he might visit, pray with, anoint, and bring Jesus' healing presence to them. Call Pastor Jim at 518-522-0944.

Seven

Every branch of mine that bears no fruit, he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.

Throughout this Lent we are delving into the problem of sin and are using our study to set strategies that move us from self-centeredness and spiritual shortcoming to a life deep in line with the life of Jesus.

Throughout this Lent we are walking through the seven deadly sins and their antidote, the seven contrary virtues. We are studying contemporary examples of sin in TV, film and literature. In studying, we find what is required of us. In doing what is required we grow stronger. Having grown stronger, we will walk out of Lent armed with God's grace and we will overcome!

Last week we covered pride, the first and core deadly sin. As we said, that sin is foundational to all the others. Today we cover Envy.

Envy is the desire for others' traits, status, abilities, or situation. We engage in envy because we see others as so much luckier, smarter, more attractive, and better than we are. Of course, this stems from the pride we take in our own perceptions rather than the reality of others' lives. If we take the time to set envy aside and learn about, empathize with, and care for others we will quickly learn that our envy is unfounded. By way of example, we have all heard that talented handsome actor or beautiful actress tell someone, much later in their career, 'I thought I was ugly and untalented.'

Looking to television, in Gilligan's Island, Mary Ann was the symbol of envy. She felt - and key on felt - that she could never achieve Ginger's glamour. The interesting

fact is that those characters, those sins, were portrayed on a castaway island. Sin indeed separates us and keeps us apart, abandoned, and lonely. In that, we nurse our envy.

Ok, I have to throw in SpongeBob - where envy is perfectly exemplified by Plankton. He was so envious of others that he never saw their struggle, he never came into relationship with anyone else.

The cure for envy is charity and kindness. We see in Jesus' instruction on the vine that we are all part of Him, that His father cares for each of us, and that we need to be pruned from time-to-time. In pruning we feel some pain and that is our tool to overcome envy - to take the time to really know our neighbor, understand them, and support them in their struggles. To do so with kindness and in the end to be truly fruitful

Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

Galatians 5:26

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Proverbs 14:30
MONDAY: Proverbs 23:17
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2:1
WEDNESDAY: James 3:16
THURSDAY: 1 Corinthians 13:4
FRIDAY: Titus 3:3
SATURDAY: Mark 15:10

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, crush the sin of envy in me and grant me the grace of charity, empathy, and kindness.

Thank You

Thank you to all who attended and participated in our Annual Financial/Budget meeting last Sunday and to Ed and Claudia for a most excellent breakfast. Thank you also to all who attended our Seniorate Lenten Retreat yesterday.

Coronavirus/COVID19

My dear brothers and sisters,

We face a time of particular challenge in today's world. We have heard how the novel COVID19 virus is spreading in various communities. A state of emergency has been declared in various states, including New York. In an abundance of caution and so to be prepared please note the following:

Being careful is simple: Good self-care practices are the best defense. This includes maintaining social distance from others (a space of about 6 feet); Frequent hand washing; Covering coughs and sneezes with your arm; Avoid touching your face; and Avoiding handshakes, hugs, social kissing, and unnecessary social gatherings.

FEAR! *The greatest thing we have to fear is fear itself* - a good quote to keep in mind. Anxiety and fear cause us to make mistakes and even to take actions unhelpful for ourselves and others. Panic buying - don't do it. Be aware, people are taking advantage. Criminals are already profiting off the situation and people's desire to learn more. There are now scams that attempt to steal personal information or to infect your electronic devices with malware and ads that peddle false information or scam products. Fear also causes people to discriminate against others. Remember, this virus will pass one day - but the virus of discrimination will set in and destroy us as people. When we feel fear, stop, breathe, and offer and intercessory prayer for protection and healing.

In church: Holy Water will remain in place. Please remember that the use of Holy Water, while a pious practice, is not required or necessary. We encourage you to exercise appropriate caution. The Sign of Peace is not a required part of the Holy Mass, it is optional, and will be discontinued for the time being. Greetings after Holy Mass will continue, but please avoid handshaking, hugs, and kisses. Holy Communion - we have been instructed by our bishop to implement extra sanitization measures prior to and after Holy Communion. Besides the several rounds of hand washing clergy already do, an extra step with sanitizer will take place before and after Holy Communion. Spiritual Communion - no person should be subject to judgment should they not go up for Holy Communion. A pious practice, if one cannot go or needs to abstain from receiving is to make a spiritual communion. To do so, during communion, pray: *My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.* Social Distance - our parish is and will always be a beautiful family. To protect each other, lets spread out more and as we do so, pray that we may continue to spread God's great power and love. He is powerful to overcomes any challenge.

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, Nicholas Emanuele, Theresa, Kit Yarrow, Wayne Wienclawski, Zach, Stanley Ordon, David Urbanski, Greg Kaczmarek, Dewey Rogers, Carla, Anita, Polly, Sherry, William & Frances, 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 Holy Name of Jesus, South Deerfield, 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...

--- *Put on then compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience* ---