



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 29, 2020

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2020 PNCC



Passion Sunday

Niedziela Męki Pańskiej

March 29, 2020

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

First reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

Psalm: Ps 130:1-8

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Epistle: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

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

Celebrant: 9:30am Rev. James Konicki.

- Prayers at 9:20am, Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3. Prayers for Divine Providence.

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; Some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.

R. But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

Palm Sunday

Niedziela Palmowa

April 5, 2020

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

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm: 22:8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Epistle: Philippians 2:8-9

Gospel: Matthew 26:14 -- 27:66

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

Celebrant: 9:30am Rev. James Konicki.

- Prayers at 9:20am, Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Mass at 9:30am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3. Prayers for Divine Providence.

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Open wide the door and gates. Lift high the ancient portals. The King of glory enters; Who is the King of glory? He is God, the mighty Lord.

R. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are You Who has come to us so rich in love and mercy. Hosanna in the highest.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

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Upcoming...

- **March 29: Passion Sunday. Passiontide Begins. Holy Mass broadcast at 9:30am.**
- **April 1: 154th Anniversary, Birth of Bishop Francis Hodur.**
- **April 3: Stations of the Cross, 7pm.**
- **April 5: Palm Sunday. Holy Mass with Blessing and Distribution of Palms broadcast at 9:30am.**
- **April 6: Holy Monday.**
- **April 7: Holy Tuesday. Holy Mass of Chrism at St. Stanislaus Bishop and Martyr Cathedral, Scranton, PA.**
- **April 8: Holy Wednesday.**
- **April 9: Maundy Thursday. Holy Mass with Reposition and Stripping of the Altars broadcast at 7pm.**
- **April 10: Good Friday broadcasts. Reflection on the Seven Last Words at 12pm. Liturgy of the Presanctified and Opening of the Tomb at 3pm. Bitter Lamentations, 7pm.**
- **April 20: Holy Saturday, Liturgy of New Fire, Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Blessing of Easter Foods, broadcast 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.

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.

Seven

*"I am going to awaken him."
"Let us go to him."
So Thomas, called Didymus,
said to his fellow disciples, "Let
us also go"
When Martha heard that Jesus
was coming, she went to meet
him
[Martha] went and called her
sister Mary secretly, saying,
"The teacher is here and is
asking for you." As soon as she
heard this, she rose quickly and
went to him.*

Throughout this Lent we delved into the problem of sin and have used our study to set strategies that move us from hard-hearted self-centeredness and spiritual shortcoming to a life deep in line with the life of Jesus. Walking through the seven deadly sins and their antidote, the seven contrary virtues, we have found what is required of us. In doing what is required we took the

time to grow stronger. Having grown stronger, we will walk out of Lent armed with God's grace and we will overcome!

We have covered pride, envy, gluttony, lust, anger, and greed. Today we tackle the last, Sloth.

Being cooped up at home these days, it might be easy to let sloth creep in. We may have cleaned everything there is to clean, have organized everything there is to organize -- Right? Perhaps we are working or studying from home? Being active in those pursuits?

Getting things done may seem less of an activity and more sedentary now. Keeping that in mind, it is vitally important that we keep busy, not just doing whatever, but active in organizing our prayer and scriptural reading, in reaching out with cards, letters, and calls; in making good use of this time to grow deeper in relationship with Jesus and each other. Let us not be

slothful - another term for wastefully lazy. Let's not be Gilligan or Patrick.

It is said that there are special punishments in Hell for the slothful. This one is very apropos: You'll be thrown into snake pits. Dance, sinner, dance!

Jesus, and those closest to Him, loved by Him, did not avoid physical and spiritual action. Even when Jesus told His disciples to come away and rest - it was to rest in prayer.

Our contrary virtue, our call in these extraordinary times, is a call to diligence, to doing the physical and spiritual work necessary for our sanctification and that of the world. We are called every day, and most poignantly in these times, to redouble our efforts so that walking out of Lent, out of crises, we enter Easter strong in faithful diligence across the

*Whatever you do, work heartily,
as for the Lord and not for men*

Colossians 3:23

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 6:12
MONDAY: 1 Timothy 5:8
TUESDAY: Colossians 3:17
WEDNESDAY: Romans 12:10-11
THURSDAY: Proverbs 21:25-26
FRIDAY: 2 Thessalonians 3:11-12
SATURDAY: Hebrews 6:10

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, crush the sin of sloth in me and grant me the grace of diligence in pursuit of sanctification for myself and the whole world.

Coronavirus/COVID19

My dear brothers and sisters,

We ask that all parishioners stay home and participate in Holy Mass and devotions remotely whether through Facebook or YouTube or simply by the joining of our hearts together in prayer and scriptural reading for this week and next. We will continually update you on plans for future weeks. We are on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HolyNameOfJesusSchenectady/> or YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWUo-NZzSJVzk2Q9hchQaHg>.

Spiritual Communion

Since we will be watching Holy Mass remotely, we may join ourselves with Jesus at the time of communion by making an Act of Spiritual Communion. This prayer may also be used anytime we desire to be closely united with our Lord and Savior, Jesus:

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

Passiontide

After the raising of Lazarus, the plot against Jesus went into high gear. The great power Jesus showed in raising the dead caused many to believe in Him and to follow Him. The Sanhedrin and Temple Guard were out to find Jesus and put Him on trial. They sought to silence this 'troublemaker.' At John 53-54 we read: *So from that day on they took counsel how to put him to death. Jesus therefore no longer went about openly among the Jews, but went from there to the country near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim; and there he stayed with the disciples.* Jesus withdrew for the time was not yet. He was fully in-line with His Father's timing. In church we cover crosses and statues in purple to help us remember that Jesus withdrew and to realize the starkness of our existence without Him. This point is brought all the more present to us in these days because of our need for separation and our stark fast from the Eucharistic table. May God have mercy on us! Lord, let us receive You again.

Giving in Challenging Times

During this challenging time, we ask that you continue your support of the parish. You may make your donations to the parish by mail, or better yet, securely and safely online at <https://www.holynamencc.org/2020/03/giving-during-the-covid19-crisis/>. God bless you for living the biblical principal of giving. God's promise to the faithful giver is trustworthy and true. *Give and it will be given to you.*

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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, 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, Patricia 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 Divine Providence Parish, Norwich, CT.

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...

--- For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. ---