



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – AUGUST 16, 2020

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2020 PNCC



## 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time XX Niedziela zwykła

August 16, 2020

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

First reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Psalm: 67:2-3,5-6,8

**R. O God, let all the nations praise you!**

Epistle: Romans 11:13-15,29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Intention: 10am for all parishioners, for Sophia Janice, her parents, godparents, and grandparents.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Matins at 9:50am, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3. Baptism of Sophia Janice Heins

### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Up Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God.

**R. I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." And now our feet are standing within your gates, Jerusalem.**

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.**

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time XXII Niedziela zwykła

August 23, 2020

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

First reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm: 138:1-3,6,8

**Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**

Epistle: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Intention: 10am, for vocations, parishioners, Church youth.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Matins at 9:50am, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3.

### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. For I will sing to the Lord's renown. Oh, proclaim the greatness of our God!

**R. The Rock - how faultless are His deeds, how right all His ways! A faithful God, without deceit, how just and upright He is!**

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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## Upcoming...

- **August 16: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **August 17: Healing Holy Mass at 6:15pm.**
- **August 23: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **August 24: Feast – St. Bartholomew.**
- **August 27: Solemnity – Our Lady of Czestochowa.**
- **August 29: Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist.**
- **August 30: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Youth Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **September 6: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **September 7: Labor Day**
- **September 8: Solemnity – Nativity of the B.V.M.**
- **September 11: 19th Anniversary of 9/11/2001. Prayer service at 7pm.**
- **September 13: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Holy Mass at 10am.**

**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.

## I brought dinner.

*But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs."*

Yesterday, after Holy Mass for the Dormition, I had the opportunity to spend time with our friend, Bishop Judy Murphy-Jack, Miss Adrienne from Team Esteem, and the Hon. Owusu Anane, a member of Albany's Common Council. We sat on Bishop's porch in a beautiful neighborhood on a great day and strategized ideas to address the serious matters pressing on the people of our region and the city. While weighty matter, just spending time on a porch in an old school way and talking with people of faith uplifted us and gave us renewed hope.

The Canaanite woman had

serious weighty matter to discuss with Jesus. She wanted to sit on his porch and tell Him about her daughter and her needs. In hope, she sounded the age-old cry of people of faith, "Lord, help me."

Jesus' response was not welcoming. He basically said, Look, I brought dinner, but it is not for you. He referred to her as a dog, a Jewish term of contempt for Gentiles. Yet, He would not concede to the disciples request to send her away. He left the door open as He had in prior encounters with the Gentiles. Jesus leaves the door open to all who want to come onto His porch, to talk with Him, and to eat at His table, but we must take action.

In Jesus' day, Canaanite was an ancient term for a people who did not know God, worshiped false gods, and were God's enemies. This Canaanite woman, at face value a false god worshipper, needed to show the truth of her faith; Jesus could not just snap His fingers and

make her a believer. She does and hangs on through Jesus ignoring her and telling her that the dinner was not for her. She does not take silence or "no" for an answer. She takes the action necessary to show herself as God's faithful daughter, not an enemy of God. Jesus then grants her request.

Sophia comes here today as an outsider and will leave as one who will now have the opportunity to fully grow into a person of faith, a believer. It won't just happen, no magic finger snapping here. To help her grow and enjoy porch time with Jesus and the dinner Jesus brought will take work. Sophia, those who brought her, and we commit to taking on the work of building her into a faithful daughter. Let us all commit to helping her become that woman of wisdom who hears Jesus say: "O woman, great is your faith!"

and whose hope is constantly renewed.

*Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.*

**John 3:36**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 1 Peter 3:21  
MONDAY: Acts 22:16  
TUESDAY: Mark 16:16  
WEDNESDAY: John 3:5  
THURSDAY: Galatians 3:27  
FRIDAY: Ephesians 4:5  
SATURDAY: Colossians 2:12-13

## Pray the week

Lord Jesus, I was baptized into You. Grant that I may live in that commitment, and doing so sit at Your table in eternity.

## Education & Youth Commission Appeal

2020 has not unfolded in the way and manner anyone had planned. Things have changed significantly. As we begin to reopen various places in our society and adapt to a "new normal" the PNU Education and Youth Commission is adapting as well. The past several years we have held a raffle to support our annual stipend program that benefits our PNU college students who meet the requirements. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic this year, in place of our annual raffle we are issuing an appeal letter for donations to help support this important fraternal effort.

The members of the Education and Youth Commission of the Polish National Union of America ask you to prayerfully consider giving a gift that will be used, appreciated and always remembered by our younger members going to college or schools of higher learning. Thousands of deserving students have received stipends from our Commission. Last year more than 30 students received stipends.

Please make your charitable donation to the **PNU Education and Youth Commission, 1006 Pittston Ave., Scranton, PA 18505**. May God bless you; your family and we again thank you for your prayerful consideration of this appeal.

## God Bless Sophia Janice

With great joy, we welcome Sophia Janice to the family of Jesus, the Holy Church, through the waters of baptism. We pray for God's blessing also upon her parents, Anthony and Paula, her godparents Robert and Heather, and upon all of us as we take up the work of helping her grow into a woman whose faith and wisdom are great.

Baptism is the starting point in the sacramental gift of Baptism-Confirmation. Through this action, Sophia is regenerated – is reborn, is united with God, and made a member of His Holy Church. Baptism imposes a duty upon her, and those who ask for her, to keep the commandments of God and the Church to be active participants in God's holy family.

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

An Act of Spiritual Communion at communion time and anytime we desire to be most 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.*

## Annual Irene Jagan Heart & Soul Remembrance – Nomination Call

A call for nominations for the Second Annual Irene Jagan Heart & Soul Remembrance Award. Those who are PNCC and PNU members may nominate an individual. See flyers in the pews.

## Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Marica Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan & Elizabeth 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, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, Gregory Henderson, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Faith, Allyson Keyser, Amanda Carr, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Sandra Tatlock, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Nicholas Emanuele, Theresa, Wayne Wienclawski, Stanley Ordon, David Urbanski, Greg Kaczmarek, Carla, Joanne Houser, Ewelina Filyushchenko, Dave Micka, Grace Lewis, all suffering due to Coronavirus, and all in need of God's healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. 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 Our Savior Parish, Mosinee, WI.

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

Of note...

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to all who support our ministry of hospitality. One day we will gather again and give thanks.

**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.

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