



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 6, 2020



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXIII Niedziela zwykła

September 6, 2020

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Psalm: 95:1-2,6-9

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

Epistle: Romans 13:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Intention: 10am, for vocations, parishioners, Church youth; śp. Marcin Nowak
Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Matins at 9:50am, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite). Ordinary music ppg. E1 to E3. Exposition and Benediction with prayers for vocations, Church youth, and our parish's growth.

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Whoever corrects a scoffer wins abuse; whoever rebukes the wicked gets hurt.

R. A scoffer who is rebuked will only hate you; the wise, when rebuked, will love you.

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.

Solemnity of Brotherly Love Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 13, 2020

Rite: Pew Missal, page 39, Canon, page 52.

First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation.

Epistle: 1 John 4:17-21

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Intention: 10am for an increase in love and service.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

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

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

R. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him.

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...

- **September 6: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **September 7: Labor Day. Holy Mass at 10am for the intention of all workers and worker justice.**
- **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.**
- **September 14: Solemnity, Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Consecration of Bishop-Elect Jaroslaw Rafalko, St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, Cathedral, Scranton, PA.**
- **September 15: Solemnity, Holy Mother of Sorrows.**
- **September 20: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Back to Church Sunday (Invite Someone). Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **September 21: Feast, St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist. Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**

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.

What do I say?

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen..."

Have you ever served on a Board of Directors? Certainly, our Parish Committee members do. It is an honor to serve as well as an interesting and challenging task. I have served on many Boards of Directors. Looking at my old resume, at least eight. One of the most interesting was my service with our homeowner's association.

Some communities have a homeowner's association. There are a set of rules and regulations you agree to when you buy your home. You pay some sort of annual dues that take care of maintenance in the

neighborhood. These associations are governed by an annually elected Board of homeowners.

Being an accountant by training, I usually get selected to be the Treasurer of any Board I am on. Yep, they elected me treasurer. What did we do? We made sure common areas were mowed, our ponds were properly attended to, and that homeowners followed the rules they agreed to. If people wanted to make changes to their homes, they would have to seek approval. Generally, mundane stuff. Mundane until there was a problem.

The part that got the heads of the Board members shaking was when people would come to the Board with their little disputes. My neighbor's grill sends smoke into my yard. You get the picture. Our general answer was - Talk to your neighbor. That never seemed to work.

It is hard to talk with someone if

they're headed in the wrong direction. What to say? We have trouble doing it with those closest to us, and here Jesus tells us our obligation is toward the whole family of faith, to call people back to faithfulness.

There is a distinction and a caution. The distinction - our obligation is toward members of the Christian community, not to the worldly. If people are members of the Christian family, we have the same understanding of who we must be, and we can call them back. The caution - we refrain from judging. Because someone is heading in the wrong direction does not mean they are bad or evil.

What do I say when a believer goes off track? We are to seek after them like Jesus seeks after the lost sheep, with love and compassion. We are to call people back to faithfulness, remind them of what we hold in common as the regenerated. Let us make every effort in calling those who stray back to God's standard and to live faithfully ourselves.

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Angela Kaminski, Ed Jakubiak, Rick Kaminski, Mariea 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, Maggie, Susan, 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, Fr. Andrew Tenus.
- 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. Josephat Parish, Duluth, MN.

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

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.

Of note...

Education & Youth Commission Appeal

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic this year, in place of our annual raffle we are issuing an appeal 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.

Consecration of Bishop Elect Rafalko

On the Solemnity of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, September 14th, our Holy Church will Consecrate Bishop Elect Jarosław Rafalko to the Office of Bishop. Attendance at the event will be limited due to COVID-19 precautions. Once consecrated, Bishop Elect Rafalko will be formally installed as bishop of the Western Diocese. We ask that in advance of the Consecration, you pray for Bishop Elect, particularly that he be guided in faithfulness to the Gospel of Christ and the Holy Tradition of the Church. *O God, the pastor and ruler of all the faithful, mercifully look upon Thy servant Jaroslaw, which Thou hast deigned to be elevated to the Office of Bishop in Thy Church. Grant that in this time of preparation, the Holy Spirit may guide and protect him, and thereafter, that he remains faithful to Thee and Thy Church. Amen.*

Words!

I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak – Jesus. The Apostles themselves (for instance in James) working off Jesus' teaching on the use of words, said: *If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless*. In this season of politics, and in all cases, let us not give in to hatred and anger. Let us not repost rumor or fan the flames with our words, writing, and sharing. Let us guard our mouths and be a Christian. The teaching is true. We should say almost nothing and work, in action, to build up. Let us not be worthless in our faith, unkind or accusatory in our words. We will be held to account for each of our words (and postings).

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.*

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

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

Galatians 6:1

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Galatians 6:2
MONDAY: 2 Timothy 2:24-25
TUESDAY: Colossians 3:13
WEDNESDAY: James 5:19-20
THURSDAY: Philippians 2:3-4
FRIDAY: Ephesians 4:32
SATURDAY: Hebrews 12:11

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that we remain faithful to Your way and give us the courage to call those who wander back.

Praying for...