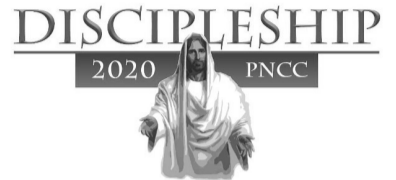




Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 15, 2020



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time XXXIII Niedziela zwykła

November 15, 2020

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

First reading: Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

Psalm: 128:1-5

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Intention: 10am, for vocations, parishioners, Church youth, all remembered for All Souls

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Prayers for the Deceased at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. I had thought: How I should like to treat you as sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful among the nations!

R. You would call Me, "My Father," I thought, and never cease following Me.

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 Christ the King

Uroczystość Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata

November 22, 2020

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

First reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

Psalm: 23:1-3,5-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Intention: 10am, for vocations, parishioners, Church youth, all remembered for All Souls

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Prayers for the Deceased at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."

R. He has a name written on His cloak and on His thigh, "King of kings and Lord of Lords."

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.

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Upcoming...

- **November 15: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **November 16: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**
- **November 21: Solemnity – Presentation of the B.V.M. Memorial**
- **November 22: Solemnity – Christ the King. Also, Commemoration of St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr, Patroness of Musicians. Holy Mass at 10am.**
- **November 26: Thanksgiving.**
- **November 29: 1st Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am with blessing of Oplatek/Christmas Wafers and the Advent Wreath.**
- **November 30: Feast, St. Andrew the First Called.**
- **December 2: Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am.**
- **December 6: 2nd Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am. Also, Commemoration of St. Nicholas. Fr. Jim's 6th Anniversary of Ordination.**

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.

To...

His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant!'

We have spent several weeks focusing on Jesus' teaching on the last things, the end times. These teachings all point to what we are called to... to live, to be, to use, and to grow.

We can see the pattern that developed over these weeks. The central message is about the 'obligation to' that comes from our baptism, our acceptance in faith of Jesus as Lord.

October 25th – we are called to live the great commandment – committed love of God and for each other.

November 1st – we are reminded of our call to be the saints of God in the world.

November 8th – we are told to use the oil, constantly provided by God, to build His kingdom and to be ready to enter eternity carrying the light we have provided to the world.

Today, Jesus reminds us of the treasure we have been given. Having faith is the receipt of treasure and the obligation to take that treasure and to grow it.

The talent given, in Jesus' day, was worth about fifteen years of wages. It was a lot. Even the person who received only one talent received a massive treasure.

Being given treasure like that is a great thing. It is like finding big sacks of money. Rejoicing, we would perhaps throw the treasure in the air, roll around in it, but then – What's next? The treasure of faith is a call to rejoice in what we have been given and an obligation to work investing it for growth.

The gospel shows us three people who received treasure. Two spend a second saying: 'Wow, I have treasure!' and then got to work with it. The other person gets treasure but doesn't even rejoice in it. The treasure is an instant turn-off to them. Factually, this person doesn't throw it in the air, or roll around in

it, or rejoice at all. They don't want to see it, so they bury it; get it out of sight.

The massive amount we are given calls us to live God's treasure – attracting others to it, to be God's treasure in the world, to use His treasure to call others by the light burning in us, and finally to grow His treasure by our work so we may return to Him with results.

The *wicked* and *lazy* find no joy in the gift, so they bury it. It is not because they are risk averse – like someone who prefers certificates of deposit in a bank to playing the stock market or starting a business – it is because they reject the gift completely. For us, how we rejoice in the gift, and whether we do all we are called to, quietly and slowly, or quick and dynamic, let us live the gospel, be Jesus to the world, and use His gifts to grow His kingdom returning to Him, on the last day, with what we have done.

Granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries.

Proverbs 8:21

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 119:162
MONDAY: 1 Corinthians 2:9
TUESDAY: Matthew 6:19-20
WEDNESDAY: Philippians 3:14
THURSDAY: 1 Timothy 6:19
FRIDAY: Malachi 3:16-17
SATURDAY: Hebrews 4:14-16

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, You have provided me with great treasure and have called me to live the gospel, be Your presence in the world, and use Your gifts to grow Your kingdom. Grant me the grace to accomplish all You have called me to.

Advent Draws Near

Advent – about silence, giving, sacrifice, fasting, and expectation. As Advent begins November 29th, the Church switches to Sunday Cycle B readings and Weekday Year 1 readings.

Our Advent schedule includes our sacrificial giving, weekly Rorate Holy Masses (Holy Mass by Candlelight) on Wednesday mornings at 7:30am, Holy Rosary on Wednesday, December 9th at 7pm, our Advent penitential service during Holy Mass on Sunday, December 20th along with the greening of the Church after Holy Mass. Please stick around to help.

November/December Sacrificial Giving

As usual, we will be gathering can and dry food donations now through December 20th. You may leave your donations by the Mary Altar.

If you have good unneeded clothing to donate, it may be dropped off downstairs. The YMSofR will take these donations to local charities.

We have put up our giving tree set up with ornaments. These 50 double sided 3"x3" hanging ornaments each represents a donation option to help those in need such as providing water filters, bathroom and hygiene supplies, vaccinations, Bibles for children, and more. We ask you to pick one as a family and make a donation to change a life. We will also have a beautiful ornament for you to take home (available November 22nd).

Planning For Our 100th Anniversary

In 2021 we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of our parish. We held a kick-off meeting last Sunday – thank you to all who attended and offered such wonderful ideas. All ideas and input are welcome. Please contact our Anniversary Chairperson, Alyssa. Send your input to Alyssa.DePaula@gmail.com.

Together in Faith and Love

The winter months and continued social isolation will challenge us all. Fr. Jim will be holding weekly virtual get-togethers where with faith and love we can face challenges together. Give Fr. Jim your email or text number to be included. Letters will also be sent out.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

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.

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.

Praying for...

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 Sczepakowski, Dolores Konicki, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, 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, Stanley Ordon, Greg Kaczmarek, Carla, Joanne Houser, Ewelina Filyushchenko, Dave Micka, Grace Lewis, Maggie, Susan, Fr. Sr. Don, Linda, 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. Andrew Bilinski, Fr. Stan Jasiurkowski, and 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. Joseph's Parish, Davie, FL.

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

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