



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – FEBRUARY 7, 2021

## Sexagesima Sunday Niedziela Sześćdziesiątnicy

February 7, 2021

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

First reading: Isaiah 43:18-19,21-22,24-25

Psalm: Ps 41:2-3,4-5,13-14

**Lord, heal my soul, for I have sinned against you.**

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

Tract Response: **In Him every believer is justified.**

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

Intention: 10am, For all parishioners. For śp. Virginia Zampa Off. by Pete and Liz Battaglia.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite). Exposition and Benediction for the intention of our parish on its 100th Anniversary. Blessing of Throats.
- Annual Meeting follows Holy Mass.

### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. O Lord, we are shamefaced, like our kings, our princes, and our fathers, for having sinned against You.

**R. But Yours, O Lord, our God, are compassion and forgiveness! Yet we rebelled against 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.**

## Quinquagesima Sunday Niedziela Pięćdziesiątnicy

February 14, 2021

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

First reading: Hosea 2:16,17,21,22

Psalm: 103:1-4,8,10,12-13

**R. The Lord is kind and merciful.**

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Tract Response: **Hidden events of which you know not.**

Gospel: Mark 2:18-22

Intention: 10am, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).

### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. I am the Lord, this is My Name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to idols. See now, the earlier things have come to pass, new ones I now foretell; before they spring into being, I announce them to you.

**R. Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the end of the earth.**

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...

- February 7: Sexagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am. Annual Meeting.
- February 11: Together in Faith and Love Zoom Meeting at 7pm.
- February 14: Quinquagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am.
- February 15: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Also, President's Day.
- February 16: 68th Anniversary of the Death of Prime Bishop Ś+P. Francis Hodur. House Blessings/Kolędy Visits End.
- February 17: Ash Wednesday. Holy Mass at 7pm with blessing and distribution of ashes.
- February 18: Together in Faith and Love Zoom Meeting at 7pm.
- February 19: Stations of the Cross at 7pm.
- February 21: 1st Sunday in Lent. Holy Mass at 10am.
- February 24: Feast – St. Matthias, Apostle.
- February 25: Together in Faith and Love Zoom Meeting at 7pm.

**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.

Cleaning out.

When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”

We are in the second week of this short two-and-a-half-week season dedicated to preparation for our Lenten journey. It is a season of ‘cleaning out the old’ to make room for the new thing God has waiting for us.

Last Sunday we recognized our likeness to the leper in the Gospel. We acknowledged the fact that we must throw away the old idols within us and clean ourselves of the rebellion against God that is in us. We must ask Jesus to cleanse us of our zara’at, and trust that He will cleanse us.

Jesus pointedly brings that message home to us today. We must trust that He can and will cleanse us.

The story of the paralyzed man and his friends is dramatic. A crowded street and entryway to a home. People pressing in on

all sides, the man and his friends unable to get to Jesus. They get up to the roof and tear it open to lower their friend to Jesus. It is miracle time. Jesus is going to cleanse him of his paralyzing condition.

Jesus had been sitting there *speaking the word to them*. He was proclaiming the gospel message, repent and believe, the kingdom of heaven is at hand. I have come to free you from your handicaps, from your blindness and captivity. He was alluding to the words of Isaiah: The past is forgotten; a new way is being made. No matter how obstinate you have been, no matter how sinful, for My own sake I wipe out your offenses, and remember not your sins. I have come to cleanse you at a whole different level – completely.

Some in the room were listening, others not. Along (or down) comes the paralyzed man. The room goes silent. What will happen next. Will he walk? Will Jesus fail?

Jesus looks up and says: “Son,

*your sins are forgiven.*” I am hereby cleansing you of every sin, every failing, every fault.

The Scribes (read lawyers) were shocked. Jesus cannot cleanse that way. That is *blasphemy*. So, Jesus confronts them. He asks them what is harder, the cleansing of forgiveness or of healing.

Jesus shows that His cleaning is God’s cleaning and that His cleaning is at a different level – it is so deep it is complete.

St. Paul got our doubt about the completeness of Jesus’ cleansing. How could God free me, heal me, cleanse me. That is why Paul told us that Jesus is YES and AMEN. In Greek “yes” means “sure” and “amen” means “firm.” All of God’s promises are sure and firm. They are unchanging, unwavering, and unmovable. He will do what He says. He will provide us complete cleansing. Jesus has *forgiveness and healing*

waiting for us. Yes, we can trust in Him.

*And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.*

Philippians 1:6

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: 1 Corinthians 13:10  
MONDAY: John 1:14  
TUESDAY: James 1:4  
WEDNESDAY: John 6:40  
THURSDAY: Psalm 16:10  
FRIDAY: Revelation 14:12  
SATURDAY: Matthew 8:16

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant me your yes and amen. Heal me completely from every ill: physical, spiritual, and mental. Help me to rise from my mat and go forth proclaiming your Holy Name.

Our 100th Anniversary – Is Here

This year we celebrate the 100th anniversary of our parish. All ideas and input are welcome. Please contact our Anniversary Chairperson, Alyssa. Send your input to [Alyssa.DePaula@gmail.com](mailto:Alyssa.DePaula@gmail.com). We will have a full schedule of spiritual, liturgical, and social events planned for the celebration. Stay tuned.

Preparing Room

Today we enter the 2nd week of the Pre-Lenten season of Septuagesima. This short two-and-a-half-week season is dedicated to preparation for our Lenten journey. It is a season of ‘cleaning out the old’ to make room for the new thing God has waiting for us.

SouperBowl Sunday

The SouperBowl Sunday soup pot is out. Today is the final day. Please drop in your loose change to support local charities. We have participated since 1998 and have raised over \$2,300. Keep it going in 2021.

Annual Meeting

Please join us for our Annual Meeting and election of a new Parish Committee today following Holy Mass. We have provided Zoom login information so those who must stay home may participate.

Together in Faith and Love

Join us each Thursday evening at 7pm for our Together in Faith and Love Zoom sessions. The winter months and continued social isolation challenge us all. These weekly virtual informal get-togethers are an opportunity where, with faith and love, we can face challenges together; share time, stories, or recipes; reminisce; or even sing songs. If you have a computer or smart phone you can login to Zoom (ask Fr. Jim for a link). If you do not use computers, you can just join by telephone.

Reminders

- If you would like a home blessing (outdoors only), please let Fr. Jim know.
- Envelopes and tax statements for 2021 are here.
- Chalk and Incense and Blessed Candles/Gromnica are available.

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. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.*

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Ed Jakubiak, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Stefan & Elizabeth Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Curtis Szczepkowski, 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, Ed Casey, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Marjorie, Margaret, 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, Timothy Olsen, 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 for any need or intention.

We continue in prayer and intercession for one of the parishes or ministries in the Polish National Catholic Church/Union of Scranton. This week we remember and pray for the members and clergy of the Missions in Rennes, Ferrieres, Ayssénes, and Montpellier, France.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobłogosław 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...

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