



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 28, 2021

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## Palm Sunday

Niedziela Palmowa

March 28, 2021

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

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm: Ps 22:17-20,22-23

**R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

Epistle: Philippians 2:6-11

Tract Response: **The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."**

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

Intention: 10am, For all parishioners.

Celebrant: 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Mattins at 9:50am. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).
- Centennial Committee Meets after Holy Mass.

### THIS 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.**

## Solemnity of the Resurrection

Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego

April 4, 2021

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 10:34,37-43

Psalm: Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-4

Sequence: Praises to the Paschal Victim

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Intention: 8am and 10am for all parishioners.

Celebrant: 8am and 10am Rev. James Konicki.

- Resurrection Liturgy and Procession starts at 8am followed by Solemn High Holy Mass (Contemporary Rite).
- Holy Mass at 10am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom. Alleluia.

**R. O Lord, you have probed me and you know me; you know when I sit and when I stand. Alleluia.**

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...

- **March 28: Palm Sunday. Liturgy of Palm Sunday with Blessing and Distribution of Palms and Holy Mass at 10am. Centennial Meeting.**
- **March 29: Holy Monday.**
- **March 30: Holy Tuesday. Chrism Holy Mass in the Cathedral, Scranton, 11:30am.**
- **March 31: Holy Wednesday. Day of Fast.**
- **April 1: Maundy Thursday. Day of Fast. Holy Mass with Reception of Oils, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Stripping of the Altar at 7pm. Church remains open afterward for private devotion.**
- **April 2: Good Friday. Day of Fast. Church opens at Noon for private devotion Seven Last Words at 1pm. Bitter Lamentations at 3pm. Liturgy of the Presanctified and Opening of the Tomb at 7pm. Church remains open afterward for private devotion.**
- **April 3: Holy Saturday. Day of fast. Liturgies of the day (New Fire, Blessing of Holy Water, Proclamation of the Exhortations, Renew of Baptismal Promises) at 10am followed by the Blessing of Easter Baskets.**
- **April 4: Solemnity of the Resurrection (Easter). Solemn Resurrection Liturgy and High Holy Mass at 8am. Second Holy Mass at 10am.**

**Sick Calls and Hospital Visits** – 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.

Working to change.

*The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them.*

Throughout Lent we have focused on the change and reform necessary in our lives. We delved into the Lenten disciplines of fasting, sacrifice (or giving), study, and prayer. There is one discipline left – proclamation.

If we have taken these disciplines seriously, we should each be seeing change in our lives, or at least more clearly hear the call to conversion, change and reform. By now we should be walking each day as more ardent and faithful liver's of Jesus's gospel way. Sins like anger, resentment, and their like should be more foreign to us.

Of all the disciplines of Lent, proclamation may be the hardest to achieve. We can take time to fast, sacrifice or give a little more, study, pray. Most of that we can do on our own, almost stealthy, unseen to the outside world, but proclamation – everyone sees that.

Proclamation is very important to me personally. Let me tell you about that.

I often wonder if people think I am a little off, maybe not quite aware of what's going on. Perhaps I do not see reality? They see me often thanking and congratulating people for what they might consider insignificant or even something the people I am thanking should just do – you know it is their job...

There are reasons for that. Most of my early life was marked by ongoing encounters with two kinds of people, those who recognized kindness and those who could not find a good thing in a basket of gold. Two types of proclaimers modeled. Who would I be?

Our first reading from Isaiah 50 points to Jesus Whose whole life was proclamation. He came speaking the Good News. It was His constant message. He showed us the kingdom. He told people - and tells us - what we have to do, *repent and believe in the gospel.*

Isaiah says in Chapter 52: *How*

*beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation.*

The beauty of Jesus' proclamation was that there was nothing in His entire being – including every trial, wound, scourge, humiliation, thorn, nail, lack of breath, and curse heaped on Him that was not Him speaking out about our value before God. His death on the cross was proclamation of that value.

If we want to bear Christ's name in honesty and integrity, we must be proclaimers of the kingdom. We must proclaim *good news, peace, happiness, and salvation.* We have to let people know, and in the end let people hear the change and reform Jesus caused in us. Could we rather nitpick, focus on the one mistake someone made, or criticize even the

smallest gift shared? Sure. But then, what kind of proclaimer are we?

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, Maggie, Susan, Fr. Sr. Don, Linda, Ed Casey, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Marjorie, Margaret, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, 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 work of the Church's Organizational Chaplains (ANS, YMSofR, NUC, NUYA, Scouting, Ecumenism).

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.

Passiontide Into the Pascal Triduum

On Maundy Thursday we move from Passiontide to the Pascal Triduum where we enter into the depth of the mystery of our salvation. I will be in Scranton on Holy Tuesday for the Holy Mass of Christm.

The Schedule for Holy Week & Easter

Please remember, Holy Wednesday through Holy Saturday are full days of fasting and abstinence.

- Palm Sunday, 3/28** – Blessing and Distribution of Palms and Holy Mass at 10am.
- Holy Tuesday, 3/30** – Chrism Holy Mass in the Cathedral, Scranton, 11:30am.
- Maundy Thursday, 4/1** – Holy Mass with Reception of Oils, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Striping of the Altar at 7pm. Church remains open afterward for private devotion.
- Good Friday, 4/2** – Church opens at Noon for private devotion. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie żale at 3pm. Liturgy of the Presanctified and Opening of the Tomb at 7pm.
- Holy Saturday, 4/3** – Liturgies of the day at 10am followed by the Blessing of Easter Baskets.
- Solemnity of the Resurrection (Easter), 4/4** – Solemn Resurrection High Holy Mass at 8am. Second Holy Mass at 10am.

Lenten Retreat Thank You

The National Lenten Retreat, simulcast here in church on Tuesday, March 23rd was a deeply moving and reflective time. Thank yo to all who participated.

Together in Faith and Love

Join us each Thursday evening at 7pm for our Together in Faith and Love Zoom sessions. 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.

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.*

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

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes*

**Romans 1:16**

Time to Study God's Word

- SUNDAY: Ezra 1:1
- MONDAY: Exodus 32:5
- TUESDAY: Isaiah 55:11
- WEDNESDAY: Acts 18:24-26
- THURSDAY: Acts 1:8
- FRIDAY: 1 Thessalonians 2:13
- SATURDAY: Luke 4:18-19

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that my words, my entire being, may be a public proclamation of my faith in You. If I shrink from this, call me back and heal me so I may speak boldly of Your good news, peace, happiness, and salvation.

Praying for...

Of note...