



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MAY 2, 2021

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5th Sunday of Easter

V Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 2, 2021

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

First reading: Acts 9:26-31

Psalm: Ps 22:26-28,30-32

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Epistle: 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Intention: 10am and Noon, For ks. śp. Zbigniew Pastuszak (22nd anniversary) by Krystyna Pastuszak and for all parishioners.

Celebrant: 10am and Noon, Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am Lauren DeBlois

- Easter Lauds at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. In the same way, my brothers, you also were put to death to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to the One Who was raised from the dead in order that we might bear fruit for God. Alleluia.

R. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

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.

6th Sunday of Easter

VI Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 9, 2021

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

First reading: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

Psalm: Ps 98:1-4

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Epistle: 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel: John 15:9-17

Intention: 10am and Noon, for śp. Marianna Nowak and śp. Rita Konicki by Fr. Jim and for all parishioners.

Celebrant: 10am and Noon, Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am Joe Kaczynski

- Easter Lauds at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite).
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. When I found Your words, I devoured them; they became my joy and the happiness of my heart. Alleluia.

R. You have made known to me the paths of life; You will fill me with joy in Your presence. 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.

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Upcoming...

- **May 2: Fifth Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. May Crowning. Memorial Holy Mass at the PACC at 4pm.**
- **May 3: Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross. Polish Constitution Day.**
- **May 5: May Devotions at 7pm.**
- **May 9: Sixth Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Mother's Day.**
- **May 10: Commemoration – Bl. Joseph Padewski, Martyr (69th Anniversary of Martyrdom).**
- **May 12: May Devotions at 7pm.**
- **May 13: Solemnity – Ascension of our Lord. Holy Mass at 7pm.**
- **May 16: Seventh Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **May 17: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**

Together in Faith & Love Zoom every Thursday at 7pm.

First Banns of Marriage

Nepo Nikiti and Maryqin Nimwes

Nemson Nikiti and Anserleen Mallon

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. The Body and Blood of Christ are placed on the tongue, never in the hand.

Sick Calls and Hospital Visits – If someone is in need, please let Pastor Jim know so he might visit, pray with, anoint them. Call Pastor Jim at 518-522-0944.

I am a _____ branch
“I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit”

Years ago, we added a new deck to our house and on one end of the deck we added a very tall wood slat screen. Now some might think it was for privacy. In fact, it was meant to be a support for growing grape vines. The vine would be an ever-present reminder of our True Vine and our life as its branches. The vine also would be the source of the grapes used to make the wine for the sacrifice. That little project still needs to be started. Perhaps it is that wooden screen, absent the vine, that starkly recalls what life would be like without Jesus, the True Vine. It would resemble those barren wood slats that are no more than dead wood and yield nothing.

Our gospel this morning calls to mind what we have by our union with the True Vine. In Jesus we are nourished, we prosper, we live. We are strengthened and disciplined through the Father’s pruning of our lives which makes

us better able to provide the abundant food the world needs – Jesus’ gospel and sacraments.

Jesus uses the analogy of a vine to give us the opportunity to think about where we are and what we are a part of. We know that the vine, Jesus, is strong and capable of sustaining and nurturing all the branches. But to receive His nourishment we need to not just be attached to the vine; we need to live in it.

As with any plant, some branches are fully alive – green and fruitful. Some may be in need of correction and pruning to return to full life. Some may be attached but in actuality are dead, their veins separated from the life of the vine. Jesus’ word calls us to look at ourselves. It gives us the chance to consider, ‘What kind of branch am I?’

Perhaps I am that fruitful living branch, strongly attached to the vine. I remain fervent in prayer, spending time in His presence and allowing Him to speak to me. I receive the sacraments, almost as if it were the very first time, I give

thanks for the way His sacramental grace renews and sustains my soul. I strive to use all of my gifts and talents to build up and encourage; I also challenge things have gone wrong in my life and in the world. I demonstrate through my actions that I am willing and eager to help others in and outside of my circle. I let my light shine brightly from the hilltop and call people to Christ. I know that this describes each of you because I see it in you.

Perhaps, however, I am the pruned branch, waiting for renewed growth, ready to leave failings behind and prepared by God for the next part of my Christian mission journey.

Perhaps, I am the dead branch, and if I am, it is time to trust in the God of life who can restore me. I just need to want it.

Our call today is to look deep within and honestly ask, which branch am I and then to set forth by the grace of God to fully live as or become that fruitful branch.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit”

Matthew 28:19

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: John 1:14
MONDAY: John 14:26
TUESDAY: James 1:27
WEDNESDAY: Romans 13:4
THURSDAY: 1 John 2:27
FRIDAY: John 13:34-35
SATURDAY: Acts 2:42

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that we may constantly recall our role in You, the True Vine. Help us to grow in faith and by our actions for You show us the way to live. Provide us with grace so that we may never cut ourselves off from You.

Today’s Music

- Procession and Crowning: O Mary, Our Mother (booklet)
- Easter Asperges: I Saw Water (song sheet)
- Entrance: B268, Hail, Blessed Mary
- Glory: Hymn Of Joy (song sheet)
- Gospel: B141, Holy Spirit
- Offeratory: B19, Hail, O Blessed Mary
- Cannon: Alleluia (song sheet)
- Communion: B266, Mary Dear
- Reflection: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman (song sheet)
- Exposition and Benediction: B147-149
- Recessional: Stainless The Maiden (white pew prayerbooks E14, v 1 and 4.

The Great Centennial Raffle

Not many people have been going to casinos under current Covid-19 restrictions, but let’s say we could. What are the odds of winning on one of those colorful and flashy slot machines? The odds of winning are around 1 in 49.8 million. Ouch! Well, for our centennial year we are offering you a 1 in 100 chance of winning \$5,000! Hey, that’s pretty good!

Our Golden Anniversary 50/50 Raffle with a single Grand Prize of \$5,000 based upon sale limited to 100 tickets is now underway. See Joe Kaczynski, Fr. Jim, or any Parish Committee member to get signed up. If less than 100 tickets are sold, proceeds will be split 50/50. We will draw a winner at our Centennial Banquet on October 2nd. You do not need to be present to win.

Weekly Zoom Meetings

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

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.

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, Greg Kaczmarek, Carla, Joanne Houser, Maggie, Susan, Fr. Sr. Don, Linda, Ed Casey, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, 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, Pattric 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 people and clergy of All Saints Parish in Viareggio, Italy.

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. ---