



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – AUGUST 22, 2021

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXI Niedziela zwykła

August 22, 2021

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

First reading: Joshua 24:1-2,15-18

Psalm: Ps 34:2-3,16-21

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Epistle: Ephesians 5:21-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

Intention: 10am for Michael Kaczynski off. by Vincent and Jeannie Padula.

Celebrant: 10am, Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am Larry Panfil

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Parish & Community Picnic.

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful song.

R. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, His courts with praise; Give thanks to Him; bless His Name.

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.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXII Niedziela zwykła

August 29, 2021

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

First reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Psalm: Psalm 15:2-5

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Epistle: James 1:17-18,21-22,27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Intention: 10am and Noon, for all youth of our Church and parish.

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

Lector: 10am Lauren DeBlois

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; The decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

R. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; The command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye.

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

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Upcoming...

- **August 22: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY followed by Parish/Community Picnic.**
- **August 24: Feast - St. Bartholomew, Apostle.**
- **August 26: Solemnity – Our Lady of Częstochowa.**
- **August 29: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Youth Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **August 30: Solemnity – Beheading of St. John the Baptist (translated).**
- **September 5: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **September 6: Labor Day. Holy Mass for All Workers at 10am.**
- **September 8: Solemnity – Nativity of the B.V.M.**
- **September 11: 20th Anniversary of 9/11/2001. Prayer Service at Noon.**
- **September 12: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **September 14: Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
- **September 15: Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrows**
- **September 19: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**

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

Strength of Faith

Many of Jesus’ disciples who were listening said, “This saying is hard; who can accept it?”

Over the months of Ordinary Time, a time dedicated to growth, we focus on how we live out the Christian faith, how we walk in Strength of Faith. Remember to focus on our Strength of Faith.

We are at the culmination of our five-week detour into the sixth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, the discourse on the bread that came down from heaven which we must eat to have eternal life. Next week our study on Strength of Faith returns to Mark’s gospel account.

Some people can go about their life never having their faith tested. It is rare, but it does happen. They face no confrontation. They experience no difficulty. No criticism is encountered. They never have to choose between representing Jesus or just going along. For the rest of us, we have faced and will have to face those moments.

I want to clearly distinguish that

God does not send challenges to test us. He is not the god of the science lab where we all get mixed and shaken until we either wither or explode. That said, the world is what it is, worldly. So, we face tests.

Sometimes we face the test of education. That is the moment in which someone who wants to understand God better confronts us and asks for an explanation. Here is where we can shine, not by being all philosophical and theological, but by recounting what the experience of Jesus and His Church hold for us.

Here’s what I would say and have said: In meeting God in Church each week I am renewed and refreshed. I find order in my life, peace, the necessary quiet that is lacking in the world. I can face challenges knowing that God has me in His hands. I am reassured even in the hardest times. And I am blessed doubly and triply over.

Sometimes we face the test of hatred, disdain, and the sin of

human arrogance. Here too we can shine as the presence of Christ in the world. If we react as the world would have us react, we belong to the world. If we however react as Christ would, then we have citizenship in heaven.

Yes, I have faced those moments, and I have learned to react in only one way, a word or gesture of peace and kindness. It is rarely accepted, but my conscience is clean, and I maintain my citizenship. Sometimes (especially online) it is by not reacting, by silence.

At some point or another, unless we are that extremely rare person, we will be challenged. Will we: *As a result of this return to our former way of life and no longer accompany Him?* Or will we too say: “*Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.*”

Strength of Faith and our growth in faith may be tested at any moment. In that moment let us, His disciples, say: *This is hard; but I accept it!*

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

James 1:2-4

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: 1 Peter 4:13
MONDAY: Romans 8:35-39
TUESDAY: John 15:18-20
WEDNESDAY: 2 Timothy 2:3
THURSDAY: Romans 8:28
FRIDAY: 2 Timothy 3:12
SATURDAY: Philippians 4:13

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, as I face hardship and tribulation, grant that I may stand strong in the faith and witness to You. May my citizenship be solely in heaven, for it is my hope and trust in Your promise.

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, Linda, Ed Casey, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, James, 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, Fr. Andrew Tenus, Fr. Henryk Wos.
- All those in Public Service: Civil Servants, 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 clergy and faithful of All Saints parish, Carnegie, PA.

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.

Today’s Music

- Entrance: R5, Morning Has Broken
- Glory, E1, Glory Be To God
- Gospel: B142, Holy Spirit Come Inspire Us
- Offertory: R564 Let Us Break Bread Together
- Communion: Look Beyond (Instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: R547, The Church’s One Foundation
- Recessional: R240, Fairest Lord Jesus

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Remember to promote sales of our Centennial Raffle Tickets please.
- Thank you to all who attended the Solemnity of the Dormition of the B.V.M. with your beautiful gifts of vegetables and herbs. Herbs are available to take home.
- Today is our Parish and Community Picnic. Thank you to all who worked so hard to make this happen and to all attending.
- Next Saturday, the men of the YMSofR are volunteering at Habitat for Humanity. If you would like to join in, see Paul.
- Pencil in October 1st to 3rd for our grand celebration. Drop your RSVP replies in the basket in the back.
- Next Sunday is Youth Sunday in our Holy Church. Holy Mass will be offered for their intention.

Diocesan Synod Approaching

The next Holy Synod of the Central Diocese will be held November 12th and 13th in Rome, New York. Your elected lay representative is Renee Konicki. Please implore the help of the Holy Spirit as we approach this event: *Come Holy Spirit, enkindle the hearts of Thy faithful with the fire of Thy love! Come, Father almighty! Open our minds to see your way, believe in your word, and know you. Come, Lord Jesus Savior! Open our lips to speak your truth, proclaim the word, and praise you. Come, O Holy Spirit! Open our hearts to feel your life, to act on the word, and love you. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, prepare us for your blessing; guide our Synod, and bless Your Holy Polish National Catholic Church that we may do your will, for you are one God living and true, now and forever. Amen.*

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.

--- Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ---

Of note...