



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

DISCIPLESHIP

2021

PNCC



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXIII Niedziela zwykła

September 5, 2021

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 92.

First reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

Psalm: Psalm 146:6-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Epistle: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Intention: 10am for all parishioners. Noon for śp. Marcin Nowak

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

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63). Exposition and Benediction for the intention of the parish, vocations, and youth.
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Come to our aid, O God of the universe, and put all the nations in dread of You! Raise Your hand against the heathen, that they may realize Your power.

R. Take pity on Your holy city, Jerusalem, Your dwelling place.

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 Brotherly Love

Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 12, 2021

Rite: Pew Missal, page 39, Canon, page 52.

First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation.

Epistle: 1 John 4:17-21

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Intention: 10am and Noon, for an increase in the witness of love among us.

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

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Hodur Rite pg. 39).
- Coffee Hour
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

R. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him.

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...

- **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. Coffee Hour Returns!**
- **September 14: Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
- **September 15: Solemnity – Holy Mother of Sorrows**
- **September 19: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Back to Church Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **September 20: Holy Mass for Healing at 6:15pm. Parish Committee Meets.**
- **September 21: Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist.**
- **September 26: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Spójnia Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **September 29: Feast – St. Michael the Archangel.**

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

Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, He comes with vindication; with divine recompense He comes to save you.

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.

For weeks we have focused on Strength of Faith, and perhaps it is time to focus on its opposite, strength of despair.

It often astounds me to see people struggling so much, to see the level of despair they are wrapped up in. I see young families struggling with schedules and financial resources. I see middle aged people trying to make sense of relationships that seem to be breaking down. I see older folks facing decline in health and vitality. At the same time, I know people who face the exact same challenges, yet persevere and come to victory.

Listen to a few words from Adam Zamoyski’s 1812: Napoleon’s Fatal March on Moscow: "Although Moscow boasted a French Catholic church whose priest had remained at his post, churchgoing did not figure among the activities of the soldiers. A handful of officers, came to mass or confession, and the pastor was only asked to give Christian burial on two occasions. He went around the hospitals to talk to the wounded, but found them interested only in their physical wants, not their spiritual needs. He said: 'They do not seem to believe in an afterlife. I baptized several infants born to soldiers, which is the only thing they still care about, and I was treated with respect.'"

The difference between people who face the same challenges, and yet have different outcomes is the presence of both faith and the fellowship of Church in their lives. Zamoyski points to soldiers amid despair and on the losing side who were so self-

involved they refused to see God in their midst. Their strength of despair overtook faith and led them to give up, to seek no help. They were left with only despair.

You see, we have the actual answer. We have a God of love and complete forgiveness. We have a God ordained way-of-life. We have the Bread of Eternal Life and the Cup of Salvation. We have the “all” so many seek because Jesus said, ‘do this, live this way, receive My promises,’ and so we do.

I can attest this from my own life. Any time where I absented God my life became the definition of absence. It was a turning inward to despair. Yet when I turned to God and committed to live the life of the Church, I was made whole. The challenges did not end, only they were transformed by God.

I imagine the deaf man lived in despair, but then he was brought to Jesus who said: *“Ephphatha!” “Be opened!”* Once he was opened his despair was transformed and so are we.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed.

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: 1 Peter 5:7
MONDAY: Psalm 34:17-20
TUESDAY: Romans 15:13
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 147:3
THURSDAY: Philippians 4:6-7
FRIDAY: Psalm 91:1-16
SATURDAY: Hebrews 4:15-16

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant me strength and fortitude as well as perseverance in the midst of despair. Help me to recognize the great goodness You have provided in the way You have instructed us to live, a goodness that overcomes despair.

Praying for...

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Alice Houser, Ed Jakubiak, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, 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 Holy Trinity parish, McKees Rocks, 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: B1, Hymn of Faith. v1 Polish, v2 English
- Glory, E1, Glory Be To God
- Gospel: B145, Come Holy Spirit
- Offertory: Take Up Your Cross (handout)
- Communion: Be Not Afraid (Instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: R334, We Praise Thee
- Exposition/Benediction: B147, 148, 149.
- Recessional: R337, Praise To The Lord

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Our dear brother, Stefan Weglinski passed to eternal life on Friday night, September 3rd. Please pray for his eternal repose and for his family. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord!
- Remember to promote sales of our Centennial Raffle Tickets please.
- Remember Labor Day Holy Mass at 10am and to come out to pray on the 20th Anniversary of 9/11/2001 at noon.
- Coffee Hour Returns on the Solemnity of Brotherly Love, next Sunday, September 12th. Please sign up to assist in providing.
- Back to Church Sunday – September 19th. INVITE SOMEONE.
- Pencil in October 1st to 3rd for our grand celebration. Drop your RSVP replies in the basket in the back.

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, 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...