



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

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## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXV Niedziela zwykła

September 19, 2021

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

First reading: Wisdom 2:12,17-20

Psalm: Psalm 54:3-6,8

**The Lord upholds my life.**

Epistle: James 3:16 – 4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

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

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

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception/Open House
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Yet I, like a trusting lamb led to slaughter, had not realized that they were hatching plots against me.

**R. But, You, O Lord of hosts, O just Judge, searcher of mind and heart, Let me witness the vengeance You take on them, for to You I have entrusted my cause!**

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.**

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXVI Niedziela zwykła

September 26, 2021

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

First reading: Number 11:25-29

Psalm: Psalm 19:8,10,12-14

**The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**

Epistle: James 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Intention: 10am: for śp. Marilyn 'Lyn' Podkulski. Noon: for all parishioners

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

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception/Open House
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Pursue love, but strive eagerly for the spiritual gifts, above all that you may prophesy. On the other hand, one who prophesies does speak to human beings, for their building up, encouragement, and solace.

**R. For no prophecy ever came through human will; but rather human beings moved by the Holy Spirit spoke under the influence of God.**

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 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.**

## Centennial Weekend

- **October 1: Solemn Vespers at 7pm.**
- **October 2: Solemn High Holy Mass of Thanksgiving at 2pm. Reception and Banquet at 4pm. Also: Feast – Guardian Angels.**
- **October 3: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY.**
- **October 4: Commemoration – St. Francis of Assisi.**
- **October 7: Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary. Rosary at 7pm.**
- **October 10: Solemnity of the Christian Family. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Blessing of Pets.**
- **October 11: Columbus Day.**
- **October 14: Rosary at 7pm.**

**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

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

Hope Is Here! It has been so encouraging to gather as a church and uncover all the ways that our faith is strengthened when we find hope in our relationship with Jesus and each other. We have learned that there is hope for the weary because we don’t have to carry our burdens on our own. There is hope for the broken because forgiveness is offered to us in love. There is hope for the underdog because with God we can do anything. This week we deal with a special subject, with one of the hardest. **Is there hope for the doubter?**

The gospel illustrates a concept that can be very difficult for us: That service and the attitude of a child is the way to the Kingdom, and that suffering is the prelude to glory. St. James tells us what he learned at Jesus’ side: That we must walk in purity of spirit, gentleness, mercy, constancy, and sincerity as cultivators of peace. This raises a problem of doubt, doubt that those things, that way of living, can make us victorious. Can it?

James’ illustrations of the world’s way the way we are to live presents a juxtaposition. We get that, but still doubt because the worldly seem to be doing so much better. So, I doubt, ‘Can Jesus’ promise be true?’

Each walk has markers. Each of

them leads a person on a different path. One is a disordered path with disordered loyalties and desires. The other is well ordered with loyalty to God and a desire only to do God ordered things. One is a life with finality, the other life without end. But, can that promise alone ease my doubt?

Doubt has become a common occurrence today. People have failed us. There is so much false information out there. Covid-19 has overwhelmed us. Each of these caused doubt and we wonder where God is. Certainly, the disciples must have doubted as Jesus spoke of the road to Jerusalem and the outcome He faced, death and resurrection. They probably doubted that being last and childlike would work out so great. We are there with the disciples and struggle against doubt.

There are many struggling with their faith. They may have lost hope that Jesus is who they thought he was. How does Jesus respond to them, to me when I doubt or struggle? He would welcome the questions, the conversation, the wrestle. He knows that honest doubt will find honest answers.

So Jesus left us, the Church, to listen to those who doubt for what they are not saying as much as what they are saying. Where does the doubt come from? Where is the hurt, pain, and struggle? We are so blessed to be that congregation who is

willing to listen and provide hope to the doubting. We empathize and express compassion. We allow ourselves to feel others’ hurt, pain, and struggle, and that equips us to meet needs and build a bridge for the doubting back to faith and hope. The answer to doubt is providing Jesus Who is hope for all. What we do here helps us and all to see Jesus as the antidote to doubt.

Robert Louis Stevenson wrote of a trip where his ship encountered a terrible storm. In the dark belly of the ship, the passengers were frightened and worried. They were filled with doubt. One of the men finally ventured out and to the upper deck, where he saw the captain quietly on the bridge. With a tranquil face, he looked out across the sea and gave orders. He turned to the man and smiled. The man made his way back to the cabin where the other passengers were huddled together. In response to their questions and doubt, he comforted them by saying, “I have seen the captain’s face, and all is well.” That is what we must say.

Yes, hope is here for the doubting for Jesus is here with us. Looking into the face of Christ and holding onto each other we know all is well. We have peace.

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, Darryl. 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 Sacred Heart of Jesus parish, Canonsburg, 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.

Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

Matthew 14:31

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Mark 11:23  
MONDAY: Proverbs 3:5-8  
TUESDAY: James 1:6  
WEDNESDAY: Jude 1:22  
THURSDAY: John 20:27  
FRIDAY: Proverbs 3:5  
SATURDAY: Hebrews 11:1

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, You have overcome all things so that by faith alone we might come to salvation, Grant me the courage to set doubt aside and place my entire self in Your hands.

Praying for:

Today’s Music

- Entrance: R342, Come Christians, Join To Sing
- Glory, E1, Glory Be To God
- Gospel: B142, Holy Spirit Come Inspire Us
- Offertory: R686, Christ For The World To Sing
- Communion: Blest Are They (Instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: R681, Let There Be Peace On Earth
- Recessional: R677, They Will Know We Are Christians

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Our Centennial Raffle Tickets** are nearly sold out. THANK YOU.
- **Back to Church Sunday and our open house and celebration of our parish heritage is today.** Thank you so much for being here. Check out the beautiful display in the parish hall assembled by Larry and Donna. Grab a free tote bag – thank you Alyssa. Enjoy coffee, tea, juice, and great snacks! Keep inviting people to meet the Lord Who, as St. James tells us today, is comfort and peace.
- Our **grand celebration is ONLY two weeks away! All RSVP must be received by next Sunday, September 26th.**
- **Blessing of Pets** – October 10 at each Holy Mass.
- **Month of the Rosary** – come join us every Thursday in October at 7pm.

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...