



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 21, 2021

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Solemnity of Christ the King

Uroczystość Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata

November 21, 2021

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

First reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Psalm: 93:1-2,5

R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Epistle: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Intention: 10am and 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
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The Lord guides the world with a turn of His hand, and all things obey His will. For He is King of all, and by His power He separates what is holy from what is not.

R. All the ends of the earth will worship and turn to the Lord; all the families of nations will bow low before You. For kingship belongs to the Lord, the ruler over the nations.

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.

1st Sunday of Advent

I Niedziela Adwentu

November 28, 2021

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

First reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5,8-10,14

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 – 4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28,34-36

Intention: 10am and Noon for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 10am, Laren DeBlois

- Mattins at 9:50am. Blessing of Advent Wreath and Lighting of the 1st Candle. Blessing of Christmas Wafers/Oplatek. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Your name, Most High,

R. To proclaim Your love in the morning, Your faithfulness in the night.

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...

- **November 21: Solemnity – Christ the King. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **November 22: Solemnity – Presentation of the B.V.M. (translated). Also, Commemoration of St. Cecelia, Virgin and Martyr. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **November 25: Thanksgiving.**
- **November 28: 1st Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Blessing of the Advent Wreath and Oplatek.**
- **November 29: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **November 30: Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 1: Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am.**
- **December 2: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 3: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 5: 2nd Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **December 6: Commemoration – St. Nicholas of Myra. Fr. Jim's 7th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 7: Daily Holy Mass at 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.

Ultimate Faith

As the visions during the night continued, I saw One like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; when He reached the Ancient One and was presented before Him, the one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; all peoples, nations, and languages serve Him.

We focused for months on strengthening our faith individually and collectively. Now it is time for the test. Wait, no one said there would be a test!

The fact is that the test comes each day. It comes in ways expected and unexpected. It comes amid conflict and at times of peace. The test is this: Who is in charge of my life, who is my leader, and who do I follow?

Oh, ok, that is easy – Jesus.

We think it is that easy, or at least it seems so in our minds. We want to believe that we are

all for Jesus, all-in, dedicated disciples of our Lord. Let’s ask some hard test questions.

If I asked, how many of us consider ourselves patriotic citizens of the United States, I am sure most would raise their hands. As citizens, we may be, at any time, called into service, to even place our lives on the line for our country. While we might not be all too happy about the prospect, we would go and do it; it is our duty. But what about service to the Lord, to His Holy Church, the organization He established for His disciples? Would we place our lives on the line for faith in Jesus? Would we be willing to face ridicule to declare the name of our Lord and leader? Would we give up career, home, social status, financial solvency for Jesus?

Some consider themselves politically active. They are quick to throw shade and hate on opponents and rabidly support their political masters, never

realizing that they are being used to promote agendas that are against their self-interest. Imagine if they threw off the shackles of political slavery and servitude and spent all that energy on promoting Christ with love and compassion for those who do not know Him. It would change the world. But Jesus would have to be their Lord and leader.

In all these cases, and so many others where our dedications and loyalties are screwed up, we need to assess and recalibrate. Is the Jesus on trial, tortured, mocked, shamed, tried, nailed to the cross my Lord and King? Is He worth my life, my all, my work and sustained effort, possible persecution, mockery, suffering and my potential martyrdom?

The ultimate test of faith is how much I value Jesus’ kingship in my life. Who is in charge of my life, who is my leader, and who do I follow? *Jesus answered, "You say I am a king."* Let is be so in each of our lives. Let us be those

who *belong to the truth* and *listen to His voice*. For that is all that matters.

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, Maggie, Susan, Linda, Ed Casey, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, James. Kevin, 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.
- 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 St. Mary’s Parish, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobłogosław im, O Boże!

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who support our ministry of hospitality. Please sign up to support a week. We are also in need of people to serve for 6 months as kitchen coordinator.

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.

“They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.”

Revelation 17:14

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Revelation 19:16
MONDAY: 1 Timothy 1:17
TUESDAY: Zechariah 14:9
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 22:28
THURSDAY: Revelation 11:15
FRIDAY: Psalm 47:2
SATURDAY: Psalm 98:6

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, You are the King and Lord of my life. Help me when I fail to honor You as such. Guide me in showing my loyalty before all I encounter each moment of my life. I hand my life over to You.

Praying for:

Today’s Music

- Entrance: R168, Come, Ye Thankful People, Come.
- Glory, E1, Glory Be To God.
- Gospel: B145, Come Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: R387, We Gather Together.
- Communion: The Harvest Of Justice (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: R394, Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart.
- Recessional: R389, Let All Things Now Living.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Advent Begins:** Next Sunday Advent begins. We enter Sunday reading cycle C and Daily Cycle II. We will bless our **Advent Wreath**, light the first candle, and bless **Christmas Wafers/Oplatki** for all who desire some for their Wigilia Table. On Sunday, December 12th we will have only one Holy Mass at 10am followed by our Vigil/Wigilia Dinner along with an Ornament Exchange. Please sign up. If you wish to participate in the exchange, simply bring an ornament costing \$5 or less. Fish is provided by the parish. Bring a meatless dish to share. Also, please help in decorating the church on December 19th.
- Branch 56 of the YMSofR is holding a **Clothing Drive**. Please bring any and all clothing in any condition and drop-off downstairs. The drive goes through November 28th. **Food Collection also underway**.
- YMSofR thank you to all who submitted their dues.
- **Keep inviting people** to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **Put it on your calendar:**
 - **November 28, Advent Begins. Oplatek/Wreath blessing.**
 - **November 29: Daily Holy Mass at Noon begins.**
 - **December 4th at 3pm, The Thursday Musical Club presents Christmas Gems with a Tinseltown Twist at the First Reformed Church, 8 N. Church, Schenectady.**
 - **December 12, Parish Vigil Dinner and Pot Luck**
 - **December 19, Greening of the Church.**

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: