



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – DECEMBER 5, 2021

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## 2nd Sunday of Advent

### II Niedziela Adwentu

December 5, 2021

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

First reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Psalm: 126:1-6

**R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

Epistle: Philippians 1:4-6,8-11

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

Intention: 10am and Noon for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Mattins at 9:50am. Lighting of the 2nd Candle. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63). Exposition and Benediction for the intention of the parish, vocations, and youth.
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

#### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Lo, I am sending My messenger to prepare the way before Me; And suddenly there will come to the temple the Lord Whom you seek,

**R. And the messenger of the covenant Whom you desire, yes, He is coming, says the Lord of hosts.**

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.**

## 3rd Sunday of Advent

### III Niedziela Adwentu

December 12, 2021

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

First reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18

Canticle: Isaiah 12:2-6

**Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.**

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

Intention: 10am and Noon for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski

- Mattins at 9:50am. Lighting of the 3rd Candle. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite pg. 63).
- Parish Vigil / Wigilia Dinner

#### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Will You be angry with us forever, drag out Your anger for all generations? Please give us life again, that Your people may rejoice in You.

**R. Fill us at daybreak with Your love, that all our days we may sing for joy.**

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...

- **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.**
- **December 8: Solemnity - Conception of the B.V.M. Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am. Funeral Holy Mass for Rich Helion at 4pm.**
- **December 9: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 10: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 12: 3rd Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Parish Vigil / Wigila Dinner.**
- **December 13: Solemnity – BVM of Guadalupe (translated). Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 14: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 15: Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am.**
- **December 16: Daily Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 17: 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.

Peace.

For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice

This Advent we focus on the promises of God. We have provided a handy follow along book of reflections and devotions covering thirty promises of God broken down under the categories of hope, peace, joy, and love. This week we reflect on God’s promise of peace.

Remember that promises from God are things we can absolutely count on. As such, we have absolute and perfect assurance that His promise of peace will be fulfilled.

Our first reading is taken from the Prophet Baruch The book is a reflection of a Jewish writer on the circumstances of the exiles returning, or yet to return, from exile in Babylon.

We can imagine ourselves set

upon by enemies, separated from our homes and those we love, pressed into servitude and in mourning for all that has been lost. We know that our failures and sins have led to this end. We long to return to our God and to home. Our souls seek peace, the peace only God can deliver - how He will bring us back.

Peace is a sweet promise from God. As with those exiles, we live amongst constant chaos. If our homes are seemingly at peace, the news invades. Uneasiness, discomfort, and stress surround us. The world is dissolving but we, by faith, know that God is still on the throne and because of that we have the peace given us through Jesus Christ.

Peace comes when we really trust in Jesus Who conveyed His Father’s promise of peace. God, Who is greater than all people and things, Who is bigger than the universe, Who surpasses all understanding is the only one

who can deliver true peace, a peace beyond our understanding. but that we can experience if we accept it. If we accept His peace all is well because we are in God and have His rest on the road to the Kingdom.

God’s promise of peace removes obstacles. It smooths the way to heaven. It allows our hearts, minds, and bodies to rest peacefully and to walk the way unobstructed by the wild world – on the smooth path.

As our Advent guide points out, we have (1) Peace In Our Struggles, (2) God’s Guidance, (3) A Lord That Bears Our Burdens, (4) Relief From Troubles And Fears, (5) Wisdom Along The Way, (6) Wise Example To Follow and Learn From, and (7) The Ability To Be Peacemakers Ourselves. We can live that.

Peace is more than the absence of conflict or discomfort. It is completeness, health, justice, prosperity, and protection. To have peace we must live fully in the peace promise of God, His gift. Having peace means we know and trust in our spirits that everything will really be better than just ok no matter what. It will be perfect!

“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Isaiah 26:3  
MONDAY: John 14:27  
TUESDAY: Colossians 3:15  
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 4:8  
THURSDAY: Romans 15:13  
FRIDAY: 2 Thessalonians 3:16  
SATURDAY: Romans 5:1

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, You speak for us at Your Father’s right hand. Pray the Father to grant us a life filled with His peace. Grant that we rely fully on Your Father’s promises of peace.

Today’s Music

- Entrance: R168, Come Thou Long Expected Jesus.
- Gospel: R166, Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence.
- Offertory: B15, From Heav’n A Voice.
- Communion: Like A Shepherd (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: B18, Advent Longing.
- Exposition and Benediction: B147-149
- Recessional: R169, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Advent:** Today we enter the Second Week of Advent. We light the second candle of our wreath. We have **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 a wrapped ornament costing \$5 or less. Fish is provided by the parish. Bring a meatless dish to share.
- Congratulations to The Thursday Musical Club** who performed Christmas Gems with a Tinseltown Twist at the First Reformed Church, yesterday evening. It was beautiful. We are so proud of our Music Director, Elizabeth Battaglia.
- Food Collection is underway through December 19th.**
- The YMSofR thanks all who **donated clothing** during this year’s drive. We should have a final count shortly along with a list of all we donated to,
- Keep inviting people** to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- Polish Food Sale at BVMC.** Our neighboring parish is holding a Polish Food Sale December 11 from 2-6pm.
- Put it on your calendar:**
  - Remember Daily Holy Mass and Rorate Holy Mass.
  - 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. In flame 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. ---

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, 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. Stanislaus Bishop & Martyr Cathedral, Scranton, PA.

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.

Of note . . .