



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 3, 2022

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Passion Sunday Niedziela Męki Pańskiej

April 3, 2022

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

First reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Psalm: 126:1-6

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

Epistle: Philippians 3:8-14

Gospel: John 8:1-11

Intention: 10am for śp. Marlyn Martinano; Noon for all parishioners.

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

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Mattins at 9:50am. Holy Mass with Lenten Penitential Service at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, pg. 15).
- Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.

R. And all this is from God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

Palm Sunday Niedziela Palmowa

April 10, 2022

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

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm: Ps 22:17-20,22-23

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Epistle: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Luke 22:14 – 23:56

Intention: 10am and Noon For all parishioners.

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

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski

- Liturgy of the Palms. Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, pg. 15).
- Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Open wide the door and gates. Lift high the ancient portals. The King of glory enters; Who is the King of glory? He is God, the mighty Lord.

R. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are You Who has come to us so rich in love and mercy. Hosanna in the highest.

V. Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered.

R. O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

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Upcoming...

- **April 3: Passion Sunday. Passiontide Begins. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Bitter Lamentations/Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.**
- **April 4: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 5: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 6: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 7: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 8: Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.**
- **April 10: Palm Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am with Blessing and Distribution of Palms and Noon. Bitter Lamentations/Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.**
- **April 11: Holy Monday. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 12: Holy Tuesday. Clergy Conference and Holy Mass of Chrism at St. Stanislaus Bishop and Martyr Cathedral in Scranton, PA.**
- **April 13: Spy Wednesday. Holy Mass at Noon. Private Confession available until 2pm.**
- **April 14: Maundy Thursday. Reception of Oils, Holy Mass of the Institution of the Eucharist, Procession, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Vespers, Stripping of the Altar at 7pm.**

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.

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.

Made whole.

He will not break off a bent reed, nor put out a flickering lamp. He will persist until he causes justice to triumph.

Isaiah prophesies about a ‘bruised reed.’ and a ‘smoldering wick.’ In fulfillment Jesus came, not to destroy the reed or put out the wick, but to take brokenness and smoldering away. Jesus has healed and re-ignited us, has brought us into the Kingdom, into lives vastly differently.

Through this Lent we reflected and acted on our call to be vastly different. We looked at our inward selves and our outward actions and have worked to reform them through more ardent prayer, sacrifice, study, worship, and giving. We came to realize that those in the Kingdom live like this year-round, not just during Lent.

Today, St. Paul speaks of that change in him. Paul accomplished much in his youth; he was at the top of his profession. He contrasts his life in Christ to that prior life, not in exaggerated detail, but in broad strokes.

Paul tells us that everything he was before, all that he had, is loss – i.e., nothing, worthless, even a waste. Everything before his encounter with Jesus, and his acceptance of Christ in faith, Paul says with more than a little hyperbole, is rubbish compared to where he is and where he is going.

That seems extreme until we realize how much more excellent life in Christ is. Paul got that! Paul came to realize, very clearly, what he was before Jesus. Indeed, Paul was, a bruised reed, a smoldering wick giving neither light nor warmth. Now all things are different. Jesus has changed him, and he now presses forward, as in a race, to attain, to possess the fullness of life in Christ we will know in heaven.

Paul challenges us to go forward in faith with eyes on the heavenly prize of eternal companionship with Christ. Faith is not backward-looking, nor does it rest on its laurels. We must constantly continue our pursuit of excellence in the Kingdom life, in walking the gospel path.

We see, brothers and sisters, the realization of God’s promises in Isaiah, the new thing He is doing, that is our Kingdom life today begun in Christ Jesus. That new thing is the removal of the bruise in us. It is the re-ignition of the fire within us. His doing is not at all reliant on our past, for it is out of complete mercy that He gives us that same new life Paul lived.

Illustrating all this in such a poignant way is Jesus in the confrontation over the sinful woman. In this confrontation the scribes and Pharisees remain steadfast in their past, they live so completely in the past that they fail to see the Messiah standing before them, they walk away. On the other hand, the woman recognizes the new thing God present is doing in her life, she goes forward, like Paul, changed – the past bruise is gone, she is reignited.

We are healed and made on fire for the Kingdom of God. We are made whole. Our Lenten journey has revealed what God has done for us.

Then let us let go, forget the past as God has, and press on to fullness of life here and forever with Christ.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: 1 John 1:9
MONDAY: 2 Peter 3:9
TUESDAY: Matthew 9:13
WEDNESDAY: Acts 2:38
THURSDAY: Romans 10:10
FRIDAY: 2 Corinthians 7:10
SATURDAY: John 3:16

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, thank You for making me new, for wiping away my sin. Grant me the grace to press forward to the goal of excellence in the Kingdom life.

Today’s Music

- Entrance: B1: Hymn Of Faith v1. Polish, v2. English.
- Gospel: R153, Fill Me Now.
- Offertory: B112, O Sacred Head Surrounded.
- Communion: Deep Within (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: B165, Humbly Before The Throne.
- Communion Reflection: Jesus, Remember Me (handout).
- Recessional: B101, Let Me Sing, Lord.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- Sign-ups: Care Portal, Memory Book, Basket Social++, Easter Basket Pre-Order.
- Pray and Donate to Help the Ukrainian People: Pray diligently each day for the defeat of evil and a return to peace. We will continuously collect donations that will directly support Ukrainian refugees.
- Spring Concert: The Thursday Musical Club is holding its Spring Concert: Childhood Reflections at the First Reformed Church, April 9th at 3pm. Come out to support Mrs. Liz Battaglia. See the flyer in the back of the church.
- Passiontide: Time is growing short. Please schedule yourself so to take advantage of the many opportunities for prayer that are available – daily Holy Mass, Stations, and Lamentations. Remember to fast from meat every Wednesday and Friday. Increase almsgiving, prayer and scriptural reading. In Passiontide the doxology – Glory be... is no longer said. It is replaced with Lord for us...
- Thank YOU to all who attend our Seniorate Lenten Retreat. We were extremely well represented. Thank you top Fr. Rafal and his parish for hosting.

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.

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, Virginia Rogers, Carolyn, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, James. Kevin, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Barbara Rogers, Tyler Hoffman, John Jones, Michael Clough, 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, Charlie Prothero, 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 Holy Cross Parish, Baltimore, MD.

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 Branch 140/168 of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. See Pastor Jim.

Of note . . .

--- And He said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.” ---