



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – DECEMBER 18, 2022

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4th Sunday of Advent

IV Niedziela Adwentu

December 18, 2022

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

First reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Psalm: 24:1-6

R. Let the Lord enter; He is king of glory.

Epistle: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

Intention: 10am and Noon, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- Mattins at 9:55, Holy Mass with Advent Penitential at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Greening of the Church / Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that You are the Messiah, the Son of God, the One Who is coming into the world.

R. Before the mountains were born, the earth and the world brought forth, from eternity to eternity You are 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.

Solemnity - Nativity of the Lord

Boże Narodzenie

December 25, 2022

Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

Readings as noted for the Vigil, Midnight, and Day Holy Mass

First reading: Isaiah 62:1-5 / Is. 9:1-6 / Is. 52:7-10

Psalm: Ps 89:4-5,16-17,27,29 / 96:1-3,11-13 / 98:1-6

R (Vigil). For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

R (Midnight). Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.

R (Day). All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Epistle: Acts 13:16-17,22-25 / Titus 2:11-14 / Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel: Matthew 1:1-25 / Luke 2:1-14 / John 1:1-18

Intention: Vigil, Midnight, and Day for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: Joe Kaczynski.

- Vigil Holy Mass on December 24th at 4pm (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Shepherd's Holy Mass at Midnight (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Holy Mass of the Day at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN (Midnight Holy Mass)

V. Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless His name; announce salvation day after day.

R. Tell God's glory among the nations; among all peoples, His marvelous deeds.

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, by placing the elements on the tongue, never in the hand.

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Upcoming...

- **December 18: 4th Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Greening of the Church.**
- **December 19: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 20: Holy Mass at Noon. Koronka do Praskiego Dzieciatka Jezus od 12:30.**
- **December 21: Feast – St. Thomas the Apostle. Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am.**
- **December 22: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 23: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 24: Vigil of the Nativity. Vigil Holy Mass for Children and Youth at 4pm.**
- **December 25: Solemnity of the Nativity. Shepherd's Holy Mass / Pasterka at Midnight and Holy Mass of the Day at 10am.**
- **December 26: Feast – St. Stephen the Protomartyr. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 27: Feast – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist. Holy Mass at Noon with Blessing of Wine.**
- **December 28: Commemoration – Holy Innocents. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 29: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 30: 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.

Ready to love?

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."

Thank you for joining as we continue in this time of expectation awaiting the Lord’s return.

Over the first two Sundays of Advent, we considered the cognates of hope and peace. Living expectantly, we are to mark each day as the day of the Lord’s return so that we may stay aware and prepared, living worthy lives, lives that show forth God’s love.

We have hope which is confidence and surety in Christ Jesus Who delivers on all God’s promises. He gives us His grace, most especially here at Holy Mass, so we may live out His gospel way, being His love. Since we are sure of His promises, we are at peace regardless of what surrounds us.

In our life of hope and peace we

achieve inner joy, a state of being wherein we are unaffected regardless of what is happening around us or even to us. We have joy because our eyes are fixed on Jesus, the deliverer of all God’s promises. Our state of joy is the starting point for a life in which we rejoice and share God’s love.

The Old Testament takes us on a tour of expectancy – the path along the plan God the Father is bringing to fruition, His sending of His only Son to save us. This tour lasted thousands of years and was marked throughout by God’s speaking to His people through the prophets. Suddenly there was silence. For about 400 years marked by conflict and great societal change God went silent.

Then...

Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, and Zachariah are caught up in a whirlwind of God ordered events, the start of the New Testament, and the fulfillment of all that was expected. Jesus is revealed, God’s word is declared, sins are forgiven,

and freedom from this world is provided for all who choose to dwell in the Kingdom.

God’s loving promise was brought to fulfillment in God’s loving coming to be with us, not just for a moment, for a day or season, but for eternity.

Think of it this way, the hope, peace, and joy we own has its source in God’s love. Our penance earlier and the freedom we now feel has its source in God’s love. Our setting forth from here into the week ahead is replete with the knowledge that God is with us with Jesus at our side and the Spirit at work within us.

We think there is silence. For about 1989 years marked by conflict and great societal change we perceive God as silent. Brothers and sisters, He is not!

We pray that the Lord return. Let it be so! But if not yet, know that you and I are His voice and presence. His gifts and grace keep us ready to love. Let us then show forth His love in all we say and do as we await Him.

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.”

John 13:34

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 103:2-4
MONDAY: 1 Peter 3:8
TUESDAY: Colossians 3:12
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 37:5
THURSDAY: Ephesians 4:32
FRIDAY: 1 Corinthians 13:4-5
SATURDAY: Isaiah 30:18

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, grant that as I urgently and expectantly await Your return I may be filled with and show forth Your love; a love which overcomes all silence, conflict, and evil. Amen.

Today’s Music

- Entrance: B18, Advent Longing.
- Gospel: R166, Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence.
- Offertory: B24, There’s A Voice.
- Communion: My Soul In Stillness Waits (instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: B19, Hail O Blessed Mary.
- Recessional: R169, O Come, O Come Emmanuel.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Wigilia / Vigil Dinner.** Thank you to all who attended, brought food to share, engaged in the Ornament Exchange, and who were just present, here for each other. It was a day of rejoicing!
- ADVENT:** The short season of Advent reflecting on expectation of the Lord’s return has one week remaining. Please remember to increase prayer and sacrifice, Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am on Wednesdays, and assist in the Greening of the Church today.
- Food For Our Community:** Thank you to all who brought in bags of canned or dried food providing for those in the local community. Donations will be taken to SiCM this week.
- Upcoming:**
 - 12/24 – Vigil of the Nativity – Holy Mass at 4pm
 - 12/25 – Nativity – Holy Mass at Midnight and 10am.
 - 12/26 – St. Stephen. Holy Mass at Noon.
 - 12/27 – St. John. Holy Mass/Wine Blessing at Noon.
 - 12/28 – Holy Innocents. Holy Mass at Noon.
 - 12/31 – Holy Family. Holy Mass at Noon.
 - 1/1 – Circumcision. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.
 - 1/2 - Parish Feast, Holy Name of Jesus. Holy Mass at Noon.
- Where’s Mary and Joseph?** Can you find Mary and Joseph in the church as they travel to Bethlehem? Look around, find them, they’ll be moving every week. See in their journey your hope.
- Keep inviting people** to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- PNU News:** The Board of Directors of the Polish National Union of America, Management and Staff of the PNU want to wish all of our members and their families: Merry Christmas & Happy New Year / Wesółych Świąt i Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku / Feliz navidad y próspero año nuevo Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo / God jul og godt nytt år. In the languages of the PNU & PNCC we remind you the reason for the season. Let us all reach out to a loved one this season and spread the Good News of Christ's Birth.

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, 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, Allyson Keyser, Amanda Carr, Warren Tatlock, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Sandra Tatlock, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Nicholas Emanuele, Theresa, Carla, Maggie, Susan, Linda, Carolyn, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Barbara Rogers, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, all suffering due to Coronavirus, flu and RSV, and all in need of God’s healing.

- 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 Trinity Parish, Kewanee, IL.

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 coordinators.

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 Fr. Jim.

Of note...

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