



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – FEBRUARY 12, 2023

Sexagesima Sunday Niedziela Sześćdziesiąticy

February 12, 2023

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

First reading: Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18

Psalm: Ps 103:1-4,8,10,12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Tract: V. However, if you fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," **R. you are doing well.**

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Intention: 10am for Zhang Gensheng and Gao Zhenhua and Noon, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski

- Mattins at 9:55, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63). Exposition and Benediction for special intentions.
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. My brothers [and sisters], show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ.

R. But if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

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.

Quinquagesima Sunday Niedziela Pięćdziesiąticy

February 19, 2023

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

First reading: Isaiah 49:14-15

Psalm: Ps 62:2-3,6-9

R. Rest in God alone, my soul.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Tract: V. Because He is found by those who test Him not, **R. and He manifests Himself to those who do not disbelieve Him.**

Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

Intention: 10am and Noon, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Mattins at 9:55, 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. I cry aloud to God, cry to God to hear me.

R. On the day of my distress I seek the Lord; by night my hands are raised unceasingly; I refuse to be consoled.

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...

- **February 12: Sexagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **February 13: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **February 14: Commemoration – St. Valentine, Martyr. Holy Mass at Noon. Koronka do Praskiego Dzieciątka Jezus od 12:30.**
- **February 15: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **February 16: 70th Anniversary of the Death of Prime Bishop śp. Francis Hodur. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **February 17: Holy Mass at Noon. Youth Community Zoom Meeting at 7pm.**
- **February 18: Central Diocese Music Commission Workshop at BVM Parish, Latham at 10:30am.**
- **February 19: Quinquagesima Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **February 20: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **February 21: Commemoration – St. Valentine, Martyr. Holy Mass at Noon. Koronka do Praskiego Dzieciątka Jezus od 12:30.**
- **February 22: Ash Wednesday. Holy Mass with Distribution of Ashes at Noon and 7pm.**
- **February 23: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **February 24: Holy Mass at Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.**
- **February 25: Women's Empowerment Meeting at 10am.**

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.

The way of life.

“For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Thank you for joining as we testify, proclaim, and evangelize the great and Holy Name of Jesus.

Today we continue in this Pre-Lenten season.

Last week we considered choices, the fact that the hot stoves of sin are everywhere and so often seem like fun. Jesus’ way seems so different, so odd, and so hard. No one does that, do they?

We resolved to take this Pre-Lenten opportunity to identify the stoves in our lives, those areas of disaster we reach out to, the ways we fail to represent Jesus’ gospel way. We reminded ourselves of what will happen if we do not stop reaching for those hot stoves of sin and destruction and determined to prepare ourselves for eliminating them this Lent, to live the way Jesus asks us to live.

Today we continue in our study of Jesus’ teachings in the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus continues to ask us to live His Father’s commandments in their fullness. *Thou shalt not kill* is not just about physical murder, but about any hardship or rejection we would bring upon another, even if only in our thoughts. If we hold ourselves back and away when another in need, we kill. It may not seem at all bloody to us, but it is – emotionally, spiritually, psychologically.

But what if someone is mean to me, what if they are hurting me? Jesus’ instruction seems clear – turn the other cheek. Seems hard, but simple. What we miss is the way we act is a sort of dam against sin. We, my brothers and sisters, have power to thwart sin, to turn the tide of sin. If we respond to harm, meanness, rejection, anger, and so many other evils in kind we are just perpetuating evil, fostering more sin. But if we act as Jesus asks, we stop that sin right there. We break the chain of sin.

So often in the Christian life it seems we are making no headway, we aren’t changing anything. What we tend to miss is the

downstream effect of our faithfulness. Our impact is huge if we turn the other cheek, if we hand over more than demanded of us, if we go the extra mile, if we give to those who ask – perfect examples our work with CarePortal and Operation SouperBowl.

Jesus demands a lot of us. He asks us for perfection in our gospel walk, to be real kingdom dwellers who live so very differently from the way of the world.

There are consequences to our choices, to choosing the hot stove or the gospel, to reflecting the world and its ruler or to reflecting our Heavenly Father. Those consequences have impact not only here in the present world but also throughout eternity.

As we continue in this Pre-Lenten time of reflection and preparation let us not just consider choices but also consequences. How we live now, how close the world grows toward the kingdom we are supposed to be building, and how we live in eternity depends on the here and now.

Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap.

Galatians 6:7

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Jeremiah 17:9-10
MONDAY: Romans 13:4
TUESDAY: 2 Peter 3:9
WEDNESDAY: Romans 6:23
THURSDAY: 1 John 1:9
FRIDAY: 1 Corinthians 6:18-20
SATURDAY: Daniel 12:3

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, I am sinful and so often reflect the world rather than Your gospel way. Grant me the grace needed to overcome my sin and to live as Your redeemed. Amen.

Praying for:

Today’s Music

- Entrance: R258, When I Survey.
- Gospel: B100, I Have No Fear.
- Offertory: R217, Jesus Walked.
- Communion: Jerusalem My Destiny (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: B155, Hallowed Be Forever.
- Exposition and Benediction: B147-150.
- Recessional: B110, Cross Of Compassion.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Annual Meeting / Election of Officers Thank You.** Thank you to all who so wonderfully participated. Thank you to the Bertasso and Olsen families for the great breakfast. Congratulations to our new and returning representatives.
- **The Soup Pot Is Out:** This year’s SouperBowl of Caring collection will be completed today. Please continue your generosity.
- **Epiphany Visitations - Kołęda - House Blessings:** If you would like your home blessed in the traditional Epiphany home blessing between now and February 21st, please see Fr. Jim to make an appointment.
- **A Youth Community Gathering** will be held via Zoom this Friday, February 17th at 7pm. This is a national event, exclusively for youth, and will include online games, fun quizzes, and other fun stuff. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7177211450>
- **Youth Bowling Event:** Our Seniorate is holding a youth bowling event, Saturday, March 4th from Noon till 2pm at Kingpin Lanes 375 Troy-Schenectady Rd, Latham with pizza and drinks too. The event is free for ALL parish youth.
- **YMSofR Dues:** Dues that are \$12/year are now due. Please turn them over to Paul Zawistowski or Fr. Jim.
- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **NUC Scholarships.** Music scholarship applications are available at <https://nucmusicscholarship.weebly.com>. PNU stipends and a

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węgliński, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Curtis Sczepakowski, 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, Bob Chelkowski, Joe Horton, Roni Bylina, Dave Taylor, Ariel, 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, Patric 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 Mission Parish, Pulaski, WI.

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

Of note.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to all who support our ministry of hospitality. Please sign up to support a week.

Parish Organizations: Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? See Fr. Jim.

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