

Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH - APRIL 2, 2023

Palm Sunday Niedziela Palmowa

April 2, 2023

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

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm: Ps 22:8-9,17-20,23-24.

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

Epistle: Philippians 2:6-11

Tract: V. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. R. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."

Gospel: Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

Intention: 10am for sp. Marlyn Martiniano and Noon for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki. Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

• Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).

• Coffee Hour Reception

• Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal 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.

Solemnity of the Resurrection

Niedziela Zmartwychwstania Pańskiego

April 9, 2023

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

First reading: Acts 10:34,37-43 Psalm: Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-4

Sequence: Praises to the Paschal Victim

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Intention: For all parishioners.

Celebrant: 8am and 10am, Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 8am, Joe Kaczynski.

Resurrection Liturgy and Procession starts at 8am followed by Solemn High

Holy Mass (Contemporary Rite).

Holy Mass at 10am (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

Easter Repast / Swięconka after each Holy Mass

NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom. Alleluia.

R. O Lord, you have probed me and you know me; you know when I sit and when I stand. Alleluia.

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...

- April 2: Palm Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Bitter Lamentations/Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.
- April 3: Holy Monday. Holy Mass at Noon.
- April 4: Clergy Conference and Chrism Holy Mass at St. Stanislaus Cathedral in Scranton, PA.
- April 5: Spy Wednesday. Holy Mass at Noon. Private Confessions available until 2pm.
- April 6: Maundy Thursday: Reception of Oils, Holy Mass of the Institution, Procession to the Altar of Repose, and Stripping of the Altar at 7pm.
- April 7: Good Friday: Church opens at noon, Seven Last Words at 1pm. Bitter Lamentations at 2pm, Presanctified Liturgy and Opening of the Symbolic Tomb at 3pm.
- April 8: Holy Saturday: Liturgies of the day (New Fire, Blessing of Holy Water, Proclamation of the Exhortations, Renewal of Baptismal Promises) at 10am followed by the Blessing of Easter Baskets. Church open until 2pm.
- April 9: Solemnity of the Resurrection (Easter). Solemn Resurrection Liturgy and High Holy Mass at 8am. Second Holy Mass at 10am. Easter Repast.
- April 10: Monday of Bright Week. Holy Mass at Noon.
- April 11: Tuesday of Bright Week. 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.

How to Overcome.

"My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me." He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

Thank you for joining as we have arrived together to Holy Week.

In this week we go from the highs of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem to that night in the upper room. where they gathered in fellowship and bonding, a time where an eternal promise of Jesus' abiding with us is given, to the garden where Jesus plunges into deep prayer and pleading, where the vision of what is to come crushes everything in Him except His dedication to His Father's will, and as we heard throughout the Passion narrative His arrest, trial, cruel murder, and burial.

"My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

You will notice throughout all this,

as in each part of the gospel's proclamation, Jesus faces what we face, experiences all we experience, celebrates and cries, feels anger and compassion.

Not only that, but Jesus faced multiple levels of temptation attacking at every moment and seeking that He give up, quit, go home. We face that too, the push to give up, to walk away.

Like Jesus, sometimes we fall to our knees and cry out:

"My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."

Use Holy Week as an opportunity to consider our view of all this, its meaning for us.

Some may view Jesus' Holy Week journey as disinterested observers, standing at a distance. Yeah, sure I know what happened, and it did me some kind of good, let's move on.

Some may see Holy Week's events as theologians might, trying very hard to explain the

mystery, to delve into theories and to place what happened into neat compartments of cause and effect. Figuring it out as best as they can they say: It did people some kind of good, let's move on.

Holy Week is shared experience. If these moments bring intimacy with Jesus, if we stand with Him, and watch with Him, we come to see ourselves in Jesus' life and how He shared life and death with us. Our moments, whether joyful and glorious or painful and sad take on new dimension and we now face them differently.

As we bind ourselves to Him in great love, we finally realize that Jesus did not come as God distant and apart, but as God with us. Yes, Jesus did me eternal good and I will not move on, but I will remain with Him Who faced this too, Who understands and offers me strength. We remember how far His love goes and are ever thankful to overcome in Him.

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

John 12:13

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Zechariah 9:9 MONDAY: Matthew 21:5 TUESDAY: 1 John 5:3 WEDNESDAY: Mark 16:16 THURSDAY: James 4:17 FRIDAY: John 3:16 SATURDAY: John 3:3

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, help me to walk with You this week. Help me to set aside all that keeps me from You. Help me be a willing Simon, to have the courage of Veronica and Mary, and to never fall away. Amen.

Today's Music

- Liturgy of the Palms (sung acapella)
- Entrance: R258: When I Survey.
- Gospel: B142, Holy Spirit, Come Inspire Us.
- Offertory: R216, Strong Righteous Man.
- Communion: Hosanna (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: B229, Just As I Am.
- Recessional: B110, Cross Of Compassion.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **SAD NEWS:** Our brother, Daniel Dilanne passed away last Saturday, March 25th after a long illness. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may the perpetual light sine upon him. May his memory be eternal!
- HOLY WEEK. Remember that Wednesday through Saturday are days of fast/abstinence in Holy Week. Our schedule of liturgies is in this bulletin and in our monthly newsletter. Please be present for them. If we, with dedication, love, and self-sacrifice walk with Jesus through this week we will share in the joy of the resurrection in new and extraordinary ways.
- Easter: Remember the schedule change for next Sunday, the Solemnity of the Resurrection. The resurrection Liturgy and Solemn High Holy Mass will be offered at 8am. A second Holy Mass will be offered at 10am. An Easter Repast will follow each Holy Mass. Men are needed for the carrying of the symbols of the Resurrection. Please see Fr. Jim.
- Lenten Food Collection: Thank you to all who donated so beautifully. Please bring your items in as part of your Lenten sacrifice.
- The Basket Social is only 4 weeks away! Please start bringing your baskets in. Thank you.
- Newsletters: Have been printed and are available with your names on them. Please take them home with you to save mailing costs. You can also choose to receive the newsletter electronically rather than in paper. Let Fr. Jim know.
- Thank you to all who observed the various Lenten devotions, Stations, and Bitter Lamentations.

Praying for:

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Curtis Sczepkowski, Joshua Moraski, Sue & Roger White, Helen Pasiak, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Joanne Bauer, Madison Sheridan, Joe Barratiere, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, Gregory Henderson, Vince Cacamo, Theresa Ordon, Robert Baia, Michelle Zawistowski, Allyson Keyser, Amanda Carr, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Madison Dunlap, Gary & Sandra Tatlock, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Nicholas Emanuele, Theresa, Carla, 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, Lyle, and all in need of God's healing.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. <u>Michael</u> Angehr, <u>Mark</u> Collins, <u>Pattric</u> Jones, <u>Timothy</u> Olsen, <u>Charlie</u> Prothero, Fr. <u>Joseph</u> Kolek, Fr. <u>Andrew</u> Bilinski, Fr. <u>Stan</u> Jasiurkowski, Fr. <u>Andrew</u> 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 Ss. Peter & Paul's Parish, South Milwaukee, WI.

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.

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