



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 16, 2023

Low Sunday Niedziela Przewodnia

April 16, 2023

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

First reading: Acts 2:42-47

Psalm: Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24.

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Intention: 10am and Noon for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Easter Lauds, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Reception
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. I waited, waited for the Lord; Who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia.

R. And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look on in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. 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.

3rd Sunday of Easter III Niedziela po Wielkanocy

April 23, 2023

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

First reading: Acts 2:14,22-33

Psalm: Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Intention: 10am and Noon, For all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

- Easter Lauds, 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. My eyes are ever upon the Lord, Who frees my feet from the snare. Alleluia.

R. Look upon me, have pity on me, for I am alone and afflicted. 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 16: Low Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **April 17: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 18: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 19: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 20: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 21: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 22: Diocesan Council Meets.**
- **April 23: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon.**
- **April 24: Holy Mass at Noon. Meeting of PNCC Bishops.**
- **April 25: Feast – St. Mark the Evangelist. Holy Mass at Noon. Meeting of the Supreme Council.**
- **April 26: Holy Mass at Noon. Meeting of the Supreme Council.**
- **April 27: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 28: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 29: Set up for Basket Social. Volunteers Needed.**
- **April 30: Good Shepherd Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Basket Social at Noon.**
- **May 1: Solemnity – St. Joseph the Workman (translated). Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 2: Feast – Ss. Philip and James, Apostles (translated). 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.

Lived Victory!

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading,

Thank you for joining today as we continue in our Easter joy. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

In our Epistle today we hear St. Peter speaking of our *new birth*, our *living hope*, and our *inheritance* that is eternal and indestructible. These words are wonderful, and they mark out how we are set apart.

Consider how last Sunday, on the Solemnity of the Resurrection, we saw Peter and John running to the tomb, encountering the victory of Jesus over death, and a bit confused. Remember that we heard the words: *they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.*

Now the tone has changed, there is confidence, a surety that this wonderful thing God accomplished

was not just for Jesus, but for all of us. The disciples encounter with Jesus gave us a new perspective and a wonderful possession – eternal life that we celebrate today.

Our confidence does not come from mere speculation or wishful thinking. It does not come from the fantasy visions of some religious person. It comes from a lived encounter with the resurrected Jesus.

When Jesus entered the place *where the disciples were* He offered the simple statement: *“Peace be with you.”* He established that peace by offering His disciples and us confidence – that as His followers we have entered a new Kingdom reality.

The living Jesus, the victor over death left us something precious, the community of faith described in today’s reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

We often speak of our Holy Church as the full expression of the Pristine Catholic faith.

The truth of that statement lies not just in the way we administer the Church, our democratic tradition (*All who believed were together and had all things in common*). It lies most importantly in the fact that we receive and live – really live – the *teaching of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of bread, and prayers.*

Jesus did not want the disciples to go separate ways, to abandon hope or to doubt and have no confidence. So, He left us powerful grace for our assurance, a communal life centered on Him, and His abiding presence. That allows us to live the resurrected promise of Jesus with vigorous faith because we have nothing to fear, we have nothing to doubt.

Let us then embrace confidence and live the victory we possess in perpetual Easter joy knowing that we fully share in *living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in Whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In Him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:20-22

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 10:24-25

MONDAY: Colossians 3:16

TUESDAY: Romans 12:5

WEDNESDAY: Psalm 122:1

THURSDAY: Matthew 18:20

FRIDAY: Acts 2:47

SATURDAY: Romans 16:17

Pray the week

Lord Jesus, You have given us the Church to express our fellowship in and with You. Grant that we may faithfully live the hope of Your resurrection visibly. Amen.

Today’s Music

- Easter Asperges: E14, I Saw Water.
- Entrance: R297, Jesus Christ Is Risen Today.
- Gloria: Alleluia (handout).
- Sacrament of the Word: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: B124, Christ Is Risen.
- Canon: Alleluia 107 (handout).
- Communion: Instrumental
- Communion Reflection: B128, Jesus Christ Our Lord Has Risen.
- Recessional: R289, Christ The Lord Is Risen Today.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **The Basket Social is only 2 weeks away – April 30th! Please bring your baskets in. There are sign-up sheets for the various work that needs to be accomplished. Please join in helping to make this major event a success. Thank you.**
- **Thursday Musical Club:** The Spring performance of the Thursday Musical Club “The Earth In Spirit And Song” will be held on Saturday, April 22 at 3pm at the First Reformed Church of Schenectady, 8 North Church Street, Schenectady. Please come out and support our Music Director Liz and these wonderful women.
- **A Wonderful Event:** Yesterday, Fr. Jim participated in Holy Mass at St. Stanislaus Bishop and Martyr Cathedral as Seminarian Sean Dodd entered the clerical state with his tonsure and his reception of the minor orders of Porter, Blessor, Lector, and Acolyte. May his ministry and road ahead in formation be blessed. As Prime Bishop Anthony mentioned, for we clergy this is a strong reminder that the work we do is not just an end in itself but is the fullness of life based on God’s grace in each of the tasks we undertake – whether opening the doors, lighting the candles, or proclaiming the word. In turn, each of those things is a commissioning to take what we do from the altar out into the world – opening doors of faith, living the word, and bringing God’s light into the places we go.
- **YMSofR Dues:** There are only a couple of men who still need to pay the dues of \$12 for 2023. Please see Paul or Fr. Jim.
- **Thank you. Our Lenten food collection resulted in the delivery of 120lbs. of food to SiCM.**

Praying for:

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, 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. 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 Parish, Hamtramck, MI.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobjęgosław 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.”* ---