



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 23, 2023

## 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).

### THIS 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.**

## Good Shepherd Sunday Niedziela Dobrego Pasterza

April 30, 2023

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

First reading: Acts 2:14,36-41

Psalm: Ps 23:1-6.

**R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:20-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

Intention: 10am for the former parishioners of Good Shepherd living and deceased.

Celebrant: Rev. James Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

- Easter Lauds, Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Basket Social at Noon.

### NEXT WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. You, My sheep, you are the sheep of My pasture, and I am your God, says the Lord God. Alleluia.

**R. Then we, Your people and the sheep of Your pasture, will give thanks to You forever; through all generations we will declare Your praise. 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 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.**
- **May 3: Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 4: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 5: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 7: 5th Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am with Baptism and Noon.**
- **May 8: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 9: 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!

*If you invoke as Father Him Who judges impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct with the precious blood of Christ.*

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

Let's talk about faith. It seems recently I have received a lot of questions about faith, or encountered situations in which the answer to the struggle a person is undergoing is faith.

One would think that faith is an easy endeavor. After all, Jesus promised that those who believe in Him would have the best gift ever – victory and eternal life, but for some reason it isn't all that easy.

A person may have all the good things in life – I mean look at HGTV. My wife and I like to watch "Love It or List It." In the show a family gets the flaws in their current home fixed while they tour new homes. In the end they must decide

whether they will love their remodeled home or list it and buy a new one with all the bells and whistles. Simple enough premise, except the people in these situations miss what they have and don't really appreciate how lucky they are to have it, to be blessed in the ways they are even with the few flaws they may have around them. In their arrogance they miss the fact others have little to nothing – and are yet more grateful than they are.

That's how faith works. Some see it, understand it, perceive it, and are grateful for it despite the flaws they may have in their lives. Others completely miss it.

This was the story for the disciples on the road to Emmaus. They were so caught up in their own perceptions and drama they forgot to see with eyes of faith. They did not perceive their *hearts burning within* them. They did not hear the women's testimony with faith. Jesus was so astounded He would say, "*Oh, how foolish you are!*" Exclamation mark on purpose.

Now, not to make this too distant from us, think of the tragedy, destruction, horror, pain, and sadness these disciples had gone through. Can we blame them for not seeing with eyes of faith?

We go through those things as well at different times and in different measure. Perhaps it is a situation where everything does not turn out as we planned, when we receive an impossible diagnosis, or when we see that flaw in the place we live and just wish it would get taken care of. It is indeed about how we *conduct ourselves during the time of our sojourning*. The lesson of Emmaus is to see with eyes of faith, that go beyond the now and focus on our life in Jesus' victory no matter how things are going or what our worries are.

Our blessings are abundant even in times that challenge because we have victory in Jesus, and we are continually called to live that victory by faith *ransomed from our futile conduct with the precious blood of Christ*.

*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.*

### Hebrews 11:1

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 11:6  
MONDAY: Hebrews 12:2  
TUESDAY: Ephesians 2:8  
WEDNESDAY: Galatians 2:20  
THURSDAY: John 5:24  
FRIDAY: James 2:14  
SATURDAY: Mark 16:15-16

### Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, strengthen my faith and grant me confidence in all times and in every situation for You have given me a victory to be lived. 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: I Am The Resurrection (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 1 week away – April 30th! Please bring your baskets in this week. 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. Remember that there is only one Holy Mass at 10am next Sunday. Thank you.**
- **Thursday Musical Club:** The Spring performance of the Thursday Musical Club "The Earth In Spirit And Song" was held yesterday. Congratulations to Ms. Liz and the Club.
- **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.
- **ANS Convention: The National Women's Adoration Society is holding its convention May 19 -20 at Holy Trinity Parish in Plantsville, CT. Two of our women are attending along with Fr. Jim. If interested in going, please see Fr. Jim or Liz.**
- **Men's Retreat:** 6th Annual National YMSofR Bp. Stanley Bilinski Memorial Spiritual Retreat with the theme "Christ the Same" from Hebrews 13:8 will be held June 14 – 17 at the Bp. Hodur Retreat Center, Waymart, PA. Men, save the date and please join us. This is so enriching and spiritually powerful. Let Fr. Jim know if you are attending. He will drive and the parish will cover costs. You can also contact [unitedymsofr@gmail.com](mailto:unitedymsofr@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Kurs 2023 Registration is now open.** Visit <https://www.kurscamp.org>. You DO NOT HAVE TO PAY. Note the parish as covering costs on your registration.

## 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 Savior Parish, Dearborn Heights, MI.

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."* ---