



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – AUGUST 13, 2023

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 82.

First reading: 1 Kings 19:9,11-13

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Epistle: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Intention: 10am and Noon for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

- Mattins. 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. Save me, God, for the waters have reached my neck. I have gone down to the watery depths; the flood overwhelms me.

R. Here deep calls to deep in the roar of Your torrents. All Your waves and breakers sweep over me.

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.

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Today's Music

- Entrance: R5, Morning Has Broken.
- Sacrament of the Word: B145, Come Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: R373, Praise The lord.
- Communion: I Am The Bread Of Life (handout).
- Communion Reflection: R334, We praise Thee, O God.
- Recessional: R385, Holy God We Praise Thy Name.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **PICNIC Time!** Our annual parish and community picnic on the parish lawn under the tent will be next Sunday, August 20th. There will be only one Holy Mass that day at 10am. Please sign up.
- **Puzzle:** As many of you may know, we have a new Bible theme puzzle to work on. Join in on this wonderful community activity.
- **THANK YOU:** To all of you for your prayers for my healing and recovery, for the cards, texts, E-mails, calls, cards and every kindness. It helped greatly!
- **Our Advertising Campaign:** As you may have seen, our parish is engaged in a widespread advertising campaign. The funding for this campaign comes from the Diocesan Enlivening program. Beside the Schenectady Gazette, Amsterdam Recorder, and Niskayuna paper, ads will also appear in the Playbill for Proctors and the Schenectady Light Opera Company as well as on Internet radio (Pandora and Spotify). This advertising is aimed at different demographic groups including younger people, ages 18-35 and those 35 to 65+. One demographic is those hurt in their former Church. Each ad is built to elicit a person's going deeper by following the link and learning more. If you find an ad difficult to understand, follow the link to get a fuller explanation. These ads are consistent with our Bishop's call to help people understand the Pristine Catholic way of our Church and our reason for being.

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.

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

He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When it was evening He was there alone.

Thank you for joining today as we continue our Ordinary Time journey focused on listening to, obeying, and witnessing to Jesus.

You may recall, the last time we were in Year B Sunday readings, which we will be again starting this December in Advent, we read from the Gospel according to St. Mark. The Gospel according to St. Mark is sparse. There is no infancy narrative. Right in the first chapter, verse 35, after performing many great works, Jesus went out to a lonely place to pray.

We see this action several times throughout the Gospels. That time in private prayer culminates with Jesus' prayer in the garden before His arrest.

What do you think Jesus prayed

about?

The only account we have of His private prayer is that in the Garden – His agony foreseeing what would occur and His commitment to the Father's will. All the other prayers are unaccounted.

We might take a clue about His prayer from the experiences surrounding Jesus' prayer. He had just fed the thousands and saw them as sheep without a shepherd. Mathew's gospel notes that [He] *saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them.* Jesus' heart hurt for all humanity faced. His heart hurt for the blindness of the people as He wept over Jerusalem (see Luke 19:41-44). He rejoiced when He found mutual love and acceptance of the Kingdom.

Jesus, God of creation, the breath of God Who moved

over the waters knew what was intended for us: our eternal happiness; fellowship in God; peace and comfort; endless joy. He experienced all that we must face in our brokenness, in the hurt and sin that pervades in the world and blocks our way to God's desire for us.

As we pray when faced with difficult situations, as we plead in our frustrations, as we give thanks in times of joy so did Jesus. His humanity gave thanks and cried out, but with a unique perspective – God's perspective. He prayed in His compassion for us.

As Jesus approached the disciples in the boat, they feared. As Peter sank, he cried out. In both cases Jesus responded to take away fear and to save. So, He does with us. What Jesus prayed for was us – that we accept Him, follow His way, and have faithful courage in all things.

Memory Verse

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Ephesians 6:18
MONDAY: James 5:16
TUESDAY: 1 Timothy 2:1
WEDNESDAY: Matthew 5:44
THURSDAY: Romans 8:26
FRIDAY: Hebrews 4:16
SATURDAY: Matthew 18:19

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, Grant that I may invoke Thee always in prayer, tying myself to my brothers and sisters in great love and compassion as Thou hast taught me. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, 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, 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, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Barbara Rogers, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Dave Taylor, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Kelly Light 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.

This week we remember and pray for the clergy and faithful of Parafia pw. Bożego Ciała, Gdańsk, Poland.

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

Upcoming

- **August 13: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- **August 14: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 15: Solemnity – Dormition of the BVM. Holy Mass at Noon with Blessing of flowers, vegetables, and herbs.**
- **August 16: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 17: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 18: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 20: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am ONLY. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. Parish/Community picnic Follows.**
- **August 21 – 23 Central Diocese Clergy Retreat (Fr. Jim away).**