



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 1, 2023

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalm: Ps 25:4-9

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Epistle: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Intention: 10am and Noon for all pet parents and those who care for nature.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- 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. May the God of peace, furnish you with all that is good, that you may do His will.

R. May He carry out in you what is pleasing to Him through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory forever [and ever]. Amen.

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: Prayer of St. Francis (handout).
- Gloria: E1, Glory Be.
- Sacrament of the Word: B145, Come Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: R557, Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation.
- Communion: We Walk By Faith (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: When Love Is Found (handout).
- Recessional: R319, Immortal, Invisible.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship. We welcome all those visiting for the first time and the uptenth time. We welcome all pet parents and their pets. May your day and week ahead be blessed!**
- **Pizza and Game Night Thank You.** Thank you to all who attended and assisted at last night's pizza and game night.
- **Pet Blessing:** At all Holy Masses on Sunday, October 1st in Commemoration of St. Francis of Assisi.
- **Doing Good:** We continue our CarePortal work and anticipate our next food bank day on Friday, October 13th. If you know people who need food, we have plenty available, just have them stop by on a Sunday.
- **Christmas Vigil Raffle:** We have 100 tickets available for our Christmas Vigil Raffle, Each ticket is \$50. If all tickets are sold, the winner will receive a Grand Prize of \$2,500. Otherwise, proceeds will be split with the 50/50 style. The winner will be drawn at our annual Christmas Vigil Dinner on Sunday, December 10th. See Joe Kaczyński to get your tickets.
- **Anticipating:** This time of year begins to get busy on our parish calendar. November is the month of All Souls. Please begin to consider departed loved ones you would like us to pray for throughout the month. At the start of November, we will begin collection of items for our Thanksgiving/Christmas food bank donation. Our Seniorate Thanksgiving gathering will be at Holy Cross parish in Lakeland on November 4th starting at 11am. Please let us know if you plan to attend.

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." ---

When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did.

Welcome as we continue our journey of study and commit ourselves to the work of following, witnessing to, and sharing Jesus.

The Sunday gospel for the past two weeks have Jesus' teaching us about His Heavenly Father's way of doing things. All of them and today's gospel center on God's great generosity.

Two weeks' ago, Peter engages Jesus in an accounting discussion, how many times must I forgive? Peter was keeping count of his goodness. Jesus corrects Peter by instructing him on the way His Father's kingdom works. Forgiveness is to be unlimited.

Last week we heard Jesus' parable of the landowner and the workers. Regardless of

when the workers showed up, they were paid the same, the full day's wage. What mattered was the last thing the person did. God is equally generous to all who do His work.

Today, Jesus speaks of second chances. Jesus reminds His listeners of their loss if they refused the second chances they were offered. This was a loss based in stubbornness and that could still be redeemed if they would only change their perspective to God's perspective.

In each example we encounter God's generosity: unlimited forgiveness; generosity to all, whether they are old school faithful or newcomers; and opportunities to change and soften our hearts toward His Father's will.

God's generosity is available to all and is not a process of accounting or scorekeeping,

but rather a heart and attitude of perfect love.

If we need an example of God's infinite generosity just look around, look to the example of the pets we love.

For those who adopt and care for pets we see in them a reflection for the kind of love God promises and calls us to practice. Our pets look at us with unconditional love and call us to sacrificial love and service. For those who adopt from shelters and foster pets, you reflect that second chance aspect of God's generosity.

St. Francis saw in the beauty and magnificence of nature and in each creature a reflection of God's generosity – He Who provides nothing but good generosity for us. May we who are the crown of God's creation always reflect His generosity.

Memory Verse

Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O Lord.

Psalm 36:6

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Luke 12:6

MONDAY: Isaiah 11:6

TUESDAY: Genesis 2:18-19

WEDNESDAY: Luke 3:6

THURSDAY: Revelation 5:13

FRIDAY: 1 Corinthians 2:9

SATURDAY: Proverbs 27:23

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, Grant that I may reflect Your generosity in my forgiveness, thanksgiving for second chances, and in my constant work for Your kingdom. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Mariea Chase, Joseph Peplowski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, 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, 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, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Dave Taylor, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Kelly Light, Joan Charnews, Devon Boff, 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 the Union of Scranton.

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

Upcoming

- **October 1: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Holy Mass at 10am and Noon with Blessing of Pets. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- **October 2 - 4: NO Holy Mass.**
- **October 5: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 6: Holy Mass at Noon. Rosary at 3pm.**
- **October 7: Solemnity – Holy Mother of the Rosary. Burial Service for Alice and Joanne Houser at Albany Rural Cemetery at 1pm.**
- **October 8: Solemnity of the Christian Family. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- **October 9: Columbus Day. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 10: Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the infant of Prague (in Polish) follows.**