



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 15, 2023

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

XXVIII Niedziela zwykła

October 15, 2023

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

First reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm: 23:1-6

R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Epistle: Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Intention: 10am for Travis and Christopher and Noon, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

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

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Two things I ask of you, deny them not to me before I die: Put falsehood and lying far from me, giving me neither poverty nor riches;

R. [Provide me only with the food I need;] Lest, being full, I deny you, saying, "Who is the Lord?" Or, being in want, I steal, and profane the name of my God.

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: B1, Hymn of Faith v. 1 & 2.
- Gloria: E1, Glory Be.
- Sacrament of the Word: E9, Come Holy Ghost.
- Offertory: B261, Virgin, Full Of Grace.
- Communion: Seek Ye First (handout).
- Communion Reflection: B180, Come Unto Jesus.
- Recessional: B2, Tyle Lat (1st verse Polish, last verse English).

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **Doing Good:** We continue our CarePortal work and anticipate our next food bank day on Saturday, October 28th. 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 may be changed. We will let you know
- **Coffee Hour/Agape:** In the early Church, Catholics gathered for worship (Word and Eucharist) as we still do today. This was followed by a love feast meal or Agape. We continue this practice today with our after worship gathering for food and fellowship. Would you please help by taking a week and providing. Sign-up sheets are here in church and downstairs.

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." ---

'Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.

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

Today we will welcome Travis and Christopher into the Body of Christ, the Holy Church, through the waters of regeneration.

Travis and Christopher, like every other person coming into the Church have been gathered in, have been issued Jesus' new invitation. Along with us they will join in the work of following, witnessing to, and sharing Jesus.

I would like to take a moment to help us recall the gospel

messages we have received over the past three Ordinary Time weeks. Jesus calls us to embrace and live out the Father's model of generosity. Today, we consider this generosity again.

Now, going back, we have seen God's generosity in His unlimited forgiveness; His full payment to all workers whether they are old school faithful or new followers; and His offer of opportunities to change and soften our hearts toward His will for us. We are invited to turn and repent.

Today we heard about the invited guests. Jesus uses the illustration to show the listeners of His time that being the "chosen people" was not enough. Being part of the select does not allow one to slack off or to take God's invitation for granted.

In stark terms Jesus shows how their disobedience, terror,

dishonesty, and neglect of the Father's invitation will lead to new invitations being issued. Those are given to us, the Gentiles.

Within this telling is a warning to us, one we need to take very seriously. While the Father's generosity invites us in, while it invites people of every background regardless of the past, we must enter faithful to the invitation.

The guest who showed up unchanged, trusting in generosity, but neglecting his obligation to change in light of that generosity is thrown out.

For Travis and Christopher today is a start as it is for each of us as we confess and approach. May they, like us, continually put on the white garment of regeneration and live faithful to the Father's generosity.

Memory Verse

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:8

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Proverbs 28:13

MONDAY: 1 John 3:4

TUESDAY: Romans 6:23

WEDNESDAY: Luke 19:8

THURSDAY: Romans 5:8

FRIDAY: Luke 6:35

SATURDAY: Matthew 13:22

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, Grant that my heart, actions, and attitudes may be constantly reformed. Help me in fully accepting Your invitation and preparing myself to be Your guest. 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, 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, Devon Boff, Brian Rohan, 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 who serve on the Church's Supreme Council.

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

Upcoming

- **October 15: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Heritage Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- **October 16: Holy Mass at Noon. Parish Committee Meeting at 6pm.**
- **October 17: Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the Infant of Prague (in Polish) follows.**
- **October 18: Feast – St. Luke, Evangelist. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 19: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 20: Holy Mass at Noon. Rosary at 3pm.**
- **October 22: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- **October 23: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 24: Feast – St. Raphael, Archangel. Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the infant of Prague (in Polish) follows.**