



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – OCTOBER 29, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

First reading: Exodus 22:20-26

Psalm: 18:2-4,47,51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonian 1:5-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Intention: Noon, for all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Mark Gnidzinski.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil.

- Holy Mass at Noon (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.

R. This is the commandment we have from Him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

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: B142, Come Holy Ghost.
- Offertory: We Are The Light Of The World (handout).
- Communion: Be Not Afraid (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: R107, Amazing Grace.
- Recessional: R526, Faith Of Our Fathers.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **YMSofR Clothing Drive.** Please help. Count your own items, donate them where you wish, and turn in the count sheets on any Sunday now through the end of the year. Extra sheets are available in church.
- **Thank You.** To Fr. Mark for filling in so Fr. Jim could concelebrate Holy Mass for the 125th Anniversary of the founding of St. Adalbert's Parish (the second oldest parish in the PNCC). Holy Mass is at noon only today.
- **Doing Good:** We continue our CarePortal work. If you know people who need food, we have some available, just have them stop by on a Sunday.
- **Christmas Vigil Raffle:** Time is growing short 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 turn in your lists today. At the start of November, we will begin collection of items for our Thanksgiving/Christmas food bank donation. Our Seniorate Thanksgiving gathering will be Saturday, November 4 at All Saints parish in Rome, NY.

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 said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

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

We have spent weeks focusing on God's great generosity: unlimited forgiveness; full payment to all workers whether they are old school faithful or new followers; His offer of opportunities to change, turn and repent, and His invitation to all to put on the wedding garment of regeneration. Last week we even considered His generosity in making right choices for us.

We also considered the fact that regardless of our civic leaders, we are called to live as followers of Jesus and members of the Kingdom. Our witness, justice, love, compassion, and forgiveness must surpass that of the unrighteous.

We see in last week's gospel something that continues into this week's teaching and for the weeks that follow as we start considering the last things, Jesus' return in glory – and that is our response to God's generosity. In simpler terms, are we ready for Jesus' return?

Being ready is not a complex process. It does not require jumping through hoops, being extraordinary in what we do, or even being heroic in our actions. It simply means we must follow the gospel life Jesus provided us with, and care in real ways.

Core to that gospel life is our love of God and our neighbors.

Jesus tells us that everything depends on this act of love. Indeed, love is an act, not just a warm fuzzy feeling.

To the world and the worldly, to the unsaved, our action of love, our purposeful work of love, our attendance at Sunday worship, our praise and thanksgiving toward God and our mutual charity within His family may indeed seem out-of-the-ordinary. Some might even say we are extraordinary or even heroic. To others, we are just those oddball people who give up our Sunday morning and care for people who don't really matter.

We have chosen to follow Jesus, to obey His teaching, to walk in His way. As such our every action in conformity with His gospel is the response we offer to the Father's generosity and our readiness to meet Him.

Memory Verse

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments."

John 14:15

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Exodus 20:3

MONDAY: John 15:10

TUESDAY: Leviticus 22:31

WEDNESDAY: John 14:21

THURSDAY: Deuteronomy 7:9

FRIDAY: Exodus 20:7

SATURDAY: 2 John 1:6

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, Grant that I may walk in Your ways, following Your great commandment of love. May I see in all occasions, times, and places the opportunity to love fully. 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 work of the Scouting Commission and all its workers.

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

Upcoming

- **October 29: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Holy Mass at Noon ONLY. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- **October 30: No Holy Mass.**
- **October 31: Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the infant of Prague (in Polish) follows.**
- **November 1: Solemnity – All Saints. Holy Mass at Noon with Wypominki following.**
- **November 2: Commemoration – All Souls. Holy Mass at Noon with Wypominki following.**
- **November 3: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **November 5: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Holy Mass at 10am with Exposition/Benediction and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. All Souls Service at Good Shepherd Cemetery at 2:30pm.**
- **November 6: No Holy Mass.**