



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JANUARY 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

First reading: 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Psalm: Ps 40:2,4,7-10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

Gospel: John 1:35-42

Intention: For all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- Holy Mass at 10am followed by Exposition and Benediction.
- Coffee Hour.
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, pg. 15)

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Thus says the Lord: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine. Because you are precious in My eyes and glorious, and because I love you.

R. When I found Your words, I devoured them; they became my joy and the happiness of my heart, because I bore Your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

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: R190, Angels From The Realms Of Glory.
- Gloria: R192, Angels We Have Heard On High.
- Sacrament of the Word: R202, As With Gladness Men Of Old.
- Offertory: R203, All My Heart Today Rejoices.
- Communion: Cantic Of The Gift (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: R199, Redeeming Love.
- Exposition and Benediction: B147-150.
- Recessional: R205, Go Tell It.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **Clothing Drive:** Since some could not make it last Sunday due to weather, please turn in your collection sheets so they may be added up. This year's collection accounting is now concluded. There is still time to deliver your donations. Thank you to all for your generosity and hard work.
- **Valentine's Raffle:** Tickets are being sent out. Please help us in supporting youth attendance at Kurs and Convo. Because it is a leap year, there are additional chances to win.
- **Formal Notice:** Our Annual Parish Meeting, Election of Officers, and Presentation/Vote on simplified cemetery rules and regulations will be held Sunday, February 4th. There will be only one Holy Mass that day at 10am.
- **Super Bowl Sunday** is February 11th. The soup pot is out for your donations supporting the work of Schenectady Community Ministries.
- **New Year – New Things:** Please consider serving on the Parish Committee or one of the parish's ministries (altar server, lector, greeter). Make the new year a time to make a difference.

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."* ---

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?

Today we see Jesus beginning His public ministry with a call to those who might follow Him. They look: "*Rabbi, where are you staying?*" Jesus responds: "*Come, and you will see.*"

We know these men were following Jesus. He knew it too and He cuts right to the point: "*What are you looking for?*"

This was more than a simple question as the English rendering posits it. In Greek these phrases about looking and coming to see are happening in the present and the action is being carried out.

It is important to know this because Jesus' call to us is happening in the present and our response is to carry out all

His call entails. More simply, Jesus' call is now, and our response is to act now.

Further, "*What are you looking for?*" does not just mean what are you browsing around for. It means: what do you search for with desire?

While some might consider Jesus' call to Andrew, John, and Peter to represent a call to formal ministry, and indeed that is there, that is not all it was nor the end of the story. We recognize Jesus' constant call to all who follow Him. Over and over, we hear Jesus calling all of us to follow Him, to be His learners (i.e., disciples), and to do His Kingdom proclaiming work.

We are to follow Him and do His gospel work actively, i.e., now and with a complete desire within us.

First Corinthians has Paul putting a very fine point on all

of this. Our bodies are not our own, are indwelt by the Holy Spirit, and are for the Lord.

If you've ever done the Hokey-Pokey this is the part where Paul echoing Jesus says, 'put your whole-self in' and what is not in the song 'and don't jump out.' We are called to put our whole selves in and to not just leave them there, but to get to work. Be in and present, active for the Lord.

Last week we focused on a word which bridges all seasons of the Church year. It is the word 'announce,' in Biblical Greek ἀπαγγέλλω (apangellō). That word, found more in scripture after the resurrection, is what we are called to do. To tell, declare, report, and bring word of all Jesus taught and did. Let us do it actively engaged and with our hearts aligned with Jesus' desire for the salvation of all.

Memory Verse

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Jeremiah 1:5

MONDAY: 2 Timothy 1:9

TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2:9

WEDNESDAY: Matthew 22:14

THURSDAY: John 15:16

FRIDAY: Isaiah 6:8

SATURDAY: Galatians 1:15

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, Grant that I respond to Your call and act upon it with immediacy. Assist me by Your grace to proclaim and acclaim You above all else. 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, Theresa, Carla, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Charles Hobbib, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, 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 National United Youth Association (NUYA).

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

Upcoming

- **January 14: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- **January 15 - 17: NO Holy Mass.**
- **January 18: Feast – Chair of St. Peter at Antioch. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Begins. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **January 19: NO Holy Mass.**
- **January 21: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- **January 22: NO Holy Mass.**
- **January 23: Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the Infant of Prague.**
- **January 24: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **January 25: Feast – Conversion of St. Paul. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ends. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **January 26: Holy Mass at Noon.**