



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MARCH 10, 2024

Solemnity - Institution of the PNCC

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Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 84.

First reading: Wisdom 5:1-5

Psalm: 122:1-9

I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Epistle: 1 Timothy 4:1-5

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Intention: For our parish and our Holy Church.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

- Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour Fellowship
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).
- Gorzkie Żale / Lamentations at 3pm.

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I lack. In green pastures
You let me graze; to safe waters You lead me, You restore my strength.
You guide me along the right path for the sake of Your name.

**R. You set a table before me as my enemies watch; You anoint my
head with oil; my cup overflows.**

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.
- Gloria: E1, Glory Be.
- Sacrament of the Word: R155, Spirit of the Living God.
- Offertory: B86, O My Jesus.
- Communion: Jerusalem, My Destiny (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: B161, Who, O Lord, Would Not Love You?
- Hymn of the Church: B2, Tyle Lat/Through The Years.
- Recessional: B113, When I Survey.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **Thank You:** To all who attended our annual financial and budget meeting. Your ministry within the Church and our parish are a rich blessing.
- **Lent:** Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 3pm. Bitter Lamentations/Gorzkie Żale will be held Sundays at 3pm. You may leave your charitable and sacrificial gifts of food by the Mary Altar. May each of our Lenten journeys be blessed.
- **Our Seniorate Lenten Retreat** is this coming Saturday, March 16th in Syracuse. Please plan to attend as part of our Lenten observance.

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."* ---

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower... Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.”

Welcome on this Solemnity of the Institution. We take a brief break from Lent yet continue in our Lenten theme – struggle. As I mentioned on Ash Wednesday, struggle is in the very motto of our Church.

We consider the stories of struggle engaged in by our forefathers and mothers. Through today’s stories of struggle, we realize that the struggle for righteousness in our lives is evidence of the Holy Spirit’s work in our Holy Church and in each of us. The Holy Spirit moves to guide and gifts us. Jesus walks with us as we continue in our holy journey toward victory.

In preparation, I reviewed news articles concerning the organization of our Holy Church.

Here, as in Scranton and other

places the people wanted a Church where they had a say in the life and matters of the Church; where their voice mattered and where their dignity was protected. The people wanted a Church that was the society Jesus intended to establish, where their lives would be bound together in the one great mission of Christ and where we would be connected one to the other as a rule of life, not just for a Sunday occasion. We have such a Church.

We know our Church was organized on Mar. 14, 1897. Even before that, a Sept. 1896 news articles tells us that a third delegation went to their bishop so their ideas might be heard. They were told to wait. A protest took place subsequent because requests remained unheard (lay representation in parish management, and an end to verbal abuse from the pulpit by their pastor). They were castigated by their bishop, men and women were arrested. Their pastor excom. them.

Jun. 1911 – a man shows up at an outdoor Women’s Societies meeting wearing a clown outfit mocking Bishop Hodur and blessing the

women with a broom and a pail of dirty water. Other men join him and two woman and two men from the Church had their heads cut open by cobblestones. Bishop Hodur has stones thrown at him. Nineteen-year-old Helen Palinski and three other young women tell the Press. “We would die for him.”

The word Catholic could not be used because of threats. Feb. 1912, lawsuits are used to prevent Bishop Hodur from conducting services. Jan. 1916 George Greizor was shot and killed protecting the church in Dupont. One woman describes three men hanging across a fence dazed by club blows. Nov. 1926, Bishops Hodur and Bonczak are attacked and beaten in Poland. May 1951 Bishop Padewski is martyred in Poland.

We have been pruned, and continue to be, so we might bear much fruit from the struggle and to the victory of the Kingdom in ourselves and in the world. Amen.

Memory Verse

Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted

2 Timothy 3:12

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: John 15:18
MONDAY: Matthew 5:10
TUESDAY: Matthew 5:44
WEDNESDAY: Luke 6:22
THURSDAY: Romans 12:14
FRIDAY: 1 Peter 4:12-14
SATURDAY: John 16:33

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, grant that I may be courageous and endure amid persecution and hatred. Keep my heart and mind clear and sober so that hatred may not overcome my witness of love for that is Your Father’s command. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Mariea Chase, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Curtis Szczepkowski, Joshua Moraski, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Joanne Bauer, Madison Sheridan, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, Gregory Henderson, Theresa Ordon, Michelle Zawistowski, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Gary & Sandra Tatlock, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Theresa, Carla, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Brian Rohan, Mary Walters, Tom Walters, Nedra & Rich Liebert, and all in need of God’s healing grace.

- 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 people and clergy of All Saints parish in Massa and Carrare, Italy.

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

Upcoming

- **March 10: Solemnity of the Institution. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.**
- **March 11: NO Holy Mass.**
- **March 12: Holy Mass at Noon. Infant of Prague Chaplet (in Polish).**
- **March 13: NO Holy Mass.**
- **March 14: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **March 15: Holy Mass a Noon. Stations of the Cross at 3pm.**
- **March 16: Seniorate Lenten Retreat at 10am – Holy Cross Parish, Syracuse.**
- **March 17: Passion Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. Bitter Lamentations / Gorzkie Żale at 3pm.**