



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – APRIL 27, 2025

## Low Sunday Niedziela Przewodnia

April 27, 2025

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

Entrance Hymn: I waited, waited for the Lord; who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia.. **R. And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look on in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. Alleluia.** 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.**

First reading Acts 5:12-16

Psalm: Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24

**R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.**

Epistle: Revelation 1:9-13,17-19

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Intention: For śp. Marianne Weglinski

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil.

- Easter Lauds, Holy Mass at 8:30am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- BASKET SOCIAL at Noon.

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## Today's Music

- Easter Asperges: I Saw Water (handout)
- Entrance: R297, Jesus Christ Is Risen Today.
- Gloria: Alleluia (handout)
- Word of God: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: B124, Christ Is Risen.
- Canon: Alleluia 107 (handout).
- Communion: I Am The Resurrection (instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: B128, Jesus Christ Our Lord Is Risen.
- Recessional: R289, Christ The Lord Is Risen Today.

## +++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Please keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **Thank You:** To all who participated so beautifully on Easter Sunday, those who carried the symbols of the Resurrection, our musicians and singers, and all who helped in any way in preparing our repast / Święconka.
- **Men's Retreat:** Information and registration for the 2025 Men's Retreat is now available. See the back table. Men, please join in and participate. The graces received from this retreat will make a real difference in our Church and in your lives.
- **BASKET SOCIAL:** Thank you for preparing the 107 beautiful baskets you so generously donated, the food you worked to prepare, the organization, transportation, and all we will do today to welcome our guests. How we love each other and welcome our guests is a true sign of our Christian faith and a likeness to the life of the early Church, where we will hear today, *great numbers of men and women, were added.*
- **Holy Mass of Thanksgiving:** Fr. Jim will offer a Holy Mass of thanksgiving tomorrow at noon with gratitude to God for all He will do for us today.
- **Next Sunday:** I expect we will be visited by a group of our seminarians. Please be here to welcome them and share time with them. Please also continue to pray for vocations. **IT IS WORKING!**

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."* ---

*Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles.*

Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
**He is risen indeed!**  
**Alleluia!**

We all may have heard of the term ‘shock and awe.’ That term first emerged as a military strategy based on the use of overwhelming power and spectacular displays of force to paralyze the enemy's perception of the battlefield and destroy their will to fight. While as a concept, the term and strategy had been around for some time, it came into the public lexicon during the Gulf Wars against Iraq.

We might perceive the day of the resurrection and its following week as a time of shock and awe. The overwhelming power of God was fully on display as the

resurrected Jesus appeared to His followers over and over. God's might was spectacularly displayed.

We would all like to think that if we were there we would get it, understand. But, that's unlikely.

In the first hours after the resurrection Mary Magdalene understood. John the Apostle got it. The disciples on the road to Emmaus had their eyes opened and Simon Peter finally understood. The rest, well, it took them time.

As we proceed through this season of joy, we will arrive at that moment when Jesus is taken up into heaven, the Ascension. Even there, some of the Apostles did not believe. Scripture records in Matthew 28:17: *When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted.*

Jesus had appeared over and over, He ate and drank with them, built a campfire for them, helped them with their catch, and repeatedly offered them peace.

My brothers and sisters, it is ok to be like Thomas, like the others who still doubted. The problem comes when we persist in doubt and when doubt turns sour.

Jesus' direction is very clear. It starts with the peace He gives us, a peace beyond the absence of conflict. It is a grace of peace that allows us to stand in the midst of conflict and still be at peace – because we have Jesus. So let us take Jesus' command to heart: *do not be unbelieving, but believe.*”

## Memory Verse

*Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.*

**2 Thessalonians 3:16**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: John 16:33

MONDAY: Isaiah 26:3

TUESDAY: Matthew 5:9

WEDNESDAY: John 14:27

THURSDAY: Philippians 4:6

FRIDAY: Psalm 4:8

SATURDAY: Colossians 3:15

## Pray the Week:

Lord Jesus, Your great signs and wonders fill my life. I often stand unaware of their presence. Grant that by Your peace I may see all that You do for me and live in dedication to You. Amen.

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, Curtis Szczepkowski, Joshua Moraski, Tom Abbot, Karen Kisch, Gregory Henderson, Theresa Ordon, Michelle Zawistowski, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Gary & Sandra Tatlock, Fred Hendricks, Theresa, Carla, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Helen Spencer, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Nedra Liebert, Dawn Main, Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wiczorek, Bob Giczkowski, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, Aimee, Liz, Dorothy Morrison, Jennifer, and all needing 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
- The residents and staff of Pathways.
- All members of the Civil Air Patrol.
- All who have asked for our prayers for any need or intention.

This week we pray for the people and clergy of Heart of Jesus Parish, Bayone, NJ.

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

## Upcoming

- **April 27: Low Sunday. Holy Mass at 8:30am. Lector: Larry Panfil. Basket Social at Noon at the South Schenectady Fire Hall.**
- **April 28: Holy Mass of Thanksgiving at Noon. Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**
- **April 29: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **April 30: Solemnity – St. Joseph the Workman. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 1: Feast – Ss. Philip and James, Apostles. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 2: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 3: Solemnity – Finding of the Holy Cross.**
- **May 4: 3rd Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am off. for Rev. +Zbigniew Pastuszek. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. Second Holy Mass at Noon. Memorial Holy Mass at the Polish Citizens Club at 4pm.**
- **May 5: Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**
- **May 6: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 7: Commemoration – St. Stanislaus of Krakow. Holy Mass at Noon.**