



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – AUGUST 10, 2025

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time XIX Niedziela zwykła

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

Entrance Hymn: V. The Lord is my strength and my shield, in Whom my heart trusted and found help. So my heart rejoices; with my song I praise my God. **R. The Lord is our God who rules the whole earth. He remembers forever His covenant, the pact imposed for a thousand generations, which was made with Abraham, confirmed by oath to Isaac, and ratified as binding for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel.** 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 Wisdom 18:6-9

Psalm: Psalm 33:1,12,18-22

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Intention: For all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- Holy Mass at Noon (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Hour / SOCL.
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

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Today's Music

- Entrance: B1, Hymn Of Faith (v. 1, 2, 4).
- Word of God: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: R32, How Firm A Foundation.
- Communion: I Am The Bread Of Life (instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: Look Beyond (handout).
- Exposition and Benediction: B147-150.
- Recessional: R614, For All The Saints.

R=Red Hymnal, B=Blue Hymnal

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Please keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **Before Holy Mass** – Undertake a proper examination of conscience beginning on page 1 of the Pew Missal. Also please observe some quiet time to prepare yourself, and support others as they prepare for the sacraments.
- **Rummage Sale Thank You.** Thank you to Paul, Gayle, and John for leading and all who helped at our rummage sale/flea market yesterday.
- **Upcoming: Parish Picnic:** Sunday, August 17th. **Fall Soup Sale:** We seek volunteers to make soup at home. We will provide quart containers for you. Make any soup you choose and bring 4 or 5 quarts to church. We will sell them frozen. Let Paul know if you can help.
- **Altamont Fair This Week.** Fr. Jim will offer Holy Mass on the Solemnity of the Dormition, this Friday, at the Altamont Fair Chapel at 11am. Please come out and join us in greeting people throughout the day. Free tickets are available.
- **Fr. Jim Away:** Fr. Jim will be away this Monday through Wednesday at the Central Diocese Clergy Retreat. Please pray for our clergy during these days of reflection and prayer. Thank you for supporting Fr. Jim during his time off last week. It really helped.

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."* ---

Then Peter said, "Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?" And the Lord replied, "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?"

I will repeat that: *Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?*

As the followers of Jesus, we ask that question a lot more frequently than we think. Is Jesus really talking to me? Are these instructions meant for me? Jesus doesn't want me to do that, does He?

The simple answer to all those questions is yes. Jesus' instructions and way are meant for me to follow. Similarly, His instructions are meant for everyone who decides to follow Him.

The unfaithful servant, the one

who takes advantage, is the alleged follower of Jesus who sees him/herself as the exception. Well, Jesus didn't really mean that for me. My life is different! God doesn't understand what I have going on.

We may not want to admit it, but we do have occasion to think that way. In retrospect we do understand we are wrong in that type of thinking. Taking a step away, we might say to ourselves, how could I possibly say that. Why didn't I trust in God and His way for my life?

St. Paul attests to the faith of Abraham and other of our predecessors in faith. He shows how Abraham trusted, how he kept his vision forward, not looking back. Paul especially notes that Abraham and others realized they were not going to see or experience the promise, that

they held only a promise, yet they trusted: All these died in faith. *They did not receive what had been promised but saw it and greeted it from afar.*

We are given a key choice. Will I follow Jesus' way, will I trust, will I do the work of the kingdom with daily joy and true celebration, or will I be downcast, thinking self-centeredly.

If our personal judgment tells us we are right, if we neglect to place our trust and faith where it belongs, especially since the promise has already been revealed to us, we are mistaken. In our Collect he heard: *Set our hope fully upon the grace that is ours, so that we may inherit what You have promised.* Let us do exactly that, eyes forward

Memory Verse

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: James 4:13-15
 MONDAY: Isaiah 40:31
 TUESDAY: Matthew 6:33
 WEDNESDAY: John 16:33
 THURSDAY: Proverbs 19:21
 FRIDAY: Ecclesiastes 7:14
 SATURDAY: Proverbs 16:3

Pray the Week:

Lord Jesus, help me to see Your promise clearly; to acknowledge the way You have set for me, that I follow faithfully and with exuberance and joy and to perceive Your will is being accomplished.
 Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Kelly Noble, Curtis Sczepakowski, 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, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Dawn Main, Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wieczorek, Bob Giczkowski, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, Aimee, Liz, Dorothy Morrison, Jennifer, Daniel & Julia Byrnes, Gail Swart, 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 Tenu, Fr. Nadeem Yaqoob.
- 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 Holy Trinity parish, Webster, MA.

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

Upcoming

- **August 10: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. Second Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 11: Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm. Clergy Retreat Begins.**
- **August 12 - 13: Central Diocese Clergy Retreat.**
- **August 14: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 15: Solemnity of the Dormition of the BVM. Holy Mass at 11am at the Altamont Fair Chapel. Evangelization opportunity at the Altamont Fair. Join us.**
- **August 17: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Larry Panfil. Second Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 18: Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**
- **August 19 - 22: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 24: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. Second Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **August 25: Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**