



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time XXV Niedziela zwykła

September 21, 2025

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

Entrance Hymn: V. Praise, you servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. **R. Blessed be the name of the Lord both now and forever.** 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.**

First reading: Amos 8:4-7-8

Psalm: Ps 113:1-2,4-5

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- Matins and Holy Mass at 10am (Contemporary Rite, pg. 63).
- Coffee Fellowship.
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

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Today's Music

- Entrance: R342, Come Christians Join To Sing.
- Word of God: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: We Are The Light Of The World (handout).
- Communion: Blest Are They (instr.)
- Communion Reflection: R681, Let There Be Peace On Earth.
- Recessional: R319, Immortal, Invisible.

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.
- **Fall Soup Sale**: We seek volunteers to make soup at home. Containers are here. Make any soup you choose and bring 4 or 5 quarts to church. We now have quarts available for \$10 each including Chicken, Seafood Gumbo, Beans & Greens, and Beef Barley.
- **Trip to Scranton**: There is a sign-up sheet for those interested. It looks like we will do this in the Spring.
- **Our next pierogi making day** for a winter pierogi sale will be October 2nd. There is a sign-up sheet. This sale will help to close this year's financial gap.
- **Other reminders**: The Schenectady Social Club breakfast schedule is posted. Remember to call by Thursday at 2pm if you are attending. The Pierogi 5k will occur Saturday, October 18th. We will sell food/likely hot dogs and kraut. Pet Blessings – October 5th.
- **October Rosary Devotions**: Held every Wednesday at 3pm unless otherwise noted. Join in this beautiful meditative prayer practice.

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." ---

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light."

Over six weeks we have discussed our call to love, to put our faith on full display, be resolved in all we do, and to be honest, not just nice. We recounted the call to discipline ourselves. We talked about placing our faith and trust in Christ by following His teachings which indeed are meant for us. Our faith strength is exhibited in the small things we do each day as well as in our humility and charity. What we count as important and worth the cost matters. The way we forgive and love matters.

The question ever present in my mind as in the minds of my brothers in the priesthood is how we strengthen and grow the Church, our local parishes, and the Kingdom of God.

Today's parable is great guidance for all of us.

In the parable of the Dishonest Steward, we are presented with a man who is very shrewd, who knows how to take care of his future. Once he has stolen all he can from his master he ingratiates himself to others so that he might have a soft-landing spot. The Steward strengthens himself to his own selfish ends.

Jesus wants us to teach something here about shrewdness and cunning. Jesus wants us to be wise. He wants us to live in the world as effective witnesses, people who have true insight into what it means to be His followers. We are to use the gifts given to us as devoted and committed Christians.

We may run across those in church circles who promise

solutions, the key to success and growth is... Just a little money and I can solve it for you. We are wiser than that.

We are called to be smart about our faith, to have common sense. This does not mean being some sort of super intellectual theologian. It does not mean being a scholastic, a mystic, or a marketer.

To strengthen our Holy Church and parish, to grow vocations and families is simple, we are to be prudent, shrewd, wise and have common sense. The way forward is our personal and communal faith in practice. Good will happen and is happening. It comes from strong devotion, fervent prayer, attention to God's Word, and acts of Christian love. Simple, effective, real.

Memory Verse

Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!

1 Chronicles 16:11

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Ephesians 6:10
 MONDAY: Isaiah 41:10
 TUESDAY: 2 Timothy 1:7
 WEDNESDAY: Isaiah 40:31
 THURSDAY: Nehemiah 8:10
 FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 31:6
 SATURDAY: Joshua 1:9

Pray the Week:

Lord Jesus, grant me a strength beyond that I think I have. May I witness to You strongly and passionately each day. Grant too the prudence and common sense necessary for the devotion You ask of me. 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, Steve Snyder, Roni, 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, Fr. Nadeem Yaqoob, Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk.
- 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 St. Joseph's parish, Westfield, MA.

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

Upcoming

- **September 21: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. Second Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **September 22: Feast – St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (trans.). Memorial Service at Bond Funeral Home for Shontia at 12:30. Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**
- **September 23 – 26: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **September 28: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Larry Panfil. Second Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **September 29: Feast – St. Michael, Archangel. Holy Mass at Noon. Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**
- **September 30: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **October 1: Holy Rosary at 3pm.**
- **October 2 – 3: No Holy Mass.**
- **October 5: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Holy Mass at 10am. Lector: Larry Panfil. Second Holy Mass at Noon. Bring your pets to church with you for a blessing.**
- **October 6: Food Pantry, 3 till 6pm.**