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Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JANUARY 18, 2026

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Entrance Hymn: V. Here is My Servant Whom I uphold, My chosen One with Whom I am pleased, **R. Upon Whom I have put My Spirit; He shall bring forth justice to the nations.** 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: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

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

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

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Gospel: John 1:29-34

Intention: For śp. Ramona Johnson.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

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

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Today's Music

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

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Please keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **Giving Envelopes**: Please take yours home. See Linda with any questions.
- **Clothing Donations**: Thank you for your generosity. Please turn in the form today or as soon as possible. If you need help, the men will help.
- **Other reminders**: Chalk and incense were blessed on the Solemnity of the Epiphany. They are available for you to take home. If you wish to schedule a house blessing, please see Fr. Jim. **Official Announcement: The Annual Parish Meeting will be Sunday, February 1st. There will be only one Holy Mass that day at 10am.**
- **YMSofR Dues for 2026 are now due. Please see Paul with your \$12 payment.**
- **We would like to take down** the trees on Sunday, January 25th prior to PreLent. Please plan to help if you can.
- Starting Monday, we begin the week of prayer for Christian Unity. Please keep this intention in your prayers.
- Holy Name of Jesus has been officially designated a **Veteran/Military Friendly Congregation (VMFC)**. If you would like to help with this effort, please see Fr. Jim or Paul.

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.

--- Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed ---

“Now I have seen and testified that He is the Son of God.”

Today’s Gospel picks up during the aftermath of Jesus’ baptism. Today’s passage taken from John’s gospel.

The first chapter of John’s gospel concerns testimony. St. John begins with an unequivocal statement of who Jesus is, the Word become flesh, the only Son of the Father.

John next testifies about himself, particularly when confronted by the Levites, priests, and Pharisees.

Then comes today’s passage where John testifies to Jesus. This passage ends with John saying, *“Now I have seen and testified that He is the Son of God.”*

Following today’s passage, we see John pointing his disciples to Jesus. Two go, including St. Andrew, why we refer to him as

the First Called. Others soon follow – to do what? To testify to Jesus -- Messiah, Savior, Redeemer, God with us.

We all know what testimony is in its practical sense. Think Perry Mason or other legal dramas – hopefully all on TV and none personal.

For us faithful, testimony is something more than just an attestation to facts. It is our open confession of faith in Jesus and a witnessing of our personal and communal experience with Jesus. Our testimony in most ways is our demonstration of our life transformation.

This is a good question to ask, especially in prayer – What has my experiences with Jesus brought to my life? What has God’s grace effected in me? How has

my resulting testimony affected others?

Let us take these questions to our private prayer place and put them before God. Do that and the answers will come. For some it will be obvious and happen right away. For some it will be harder and take time. For some it will be individual witness, for others something done as part of a faith group, part of the Church. For some it will be simple kindnesses, for others bold charity toward the orphan, stranger, sick, or dying. For some it will be music, for others the charism of service. Having looked back let us then look forward to the testimony we bring today and all the days to come.

Memory Verse

And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

Revelation 12:11

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Luke 8:39

MONDAY: 2 Timothy 1:8

TUESDAY: Psalm 71:15-18

WEDNESDAY: Psalm 66:16

THURSDAY: Matthew 10:32

FRIDAY: 1 Peter 3:15

SATURDAY: 1 John 5:11

Pray the Week:

Lord Jesus, In my baptism I was enlivened to give testimony to You. Grant me boldness in making changes in my life, to better witness to You, and to proclaim Your Holy Name and wonderful deeds before all. 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, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Dawn Main, Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wiczorek, Bob Giczkowski, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, Aimee, Liz, Dorothy Morrison, Jennifer, Daniel & Julia Byrnes, Steve Snyder, Susan D’Ameco, Ed Sargalis, Chip, 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. Andrew Tenus, Fr. Nadeem Yaqoob, Fr. Mariusz Mularczyk, and for all Veterans.
- All those in Public Service: Civil Servants, Police Officers, and Fire Fighters.
- All Active and Retired Clergy of the Holy 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 Sacred Heart of Jesus parish, Ellisville, MO.

Bless them, O Lord! Pobjogosl w im, O Boe!

Upcoming

- **January 18: 2nd Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- January 19: Feast – Chair of St. Peter at Antioch (translated). Holy Mass at Noon. Week of prayer for Christian Unity Begins. MLK Day. Food Pantry 3pm until 5pm. Parish Committee Meets at 6pm.
- January 20: Fr. Jim attends and speaks at Faith Rising, The Church's Response to Domestic Violence hosted by Roses From Ashes at the Loudonville Community Church from 9am until Noon.
- January 21 – 23: Holy Mass at Noon.
- **January 25: 3rd Ordinary Sunday. Music Scholarship Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- January 26: Feast – Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle (translated). Holy Mass at Noon. Week of prayer for Christian Unity Ends. Food Pantry 3pm until 5pm.
- January 27: Commemoration – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor. Holy Mass at Noon.