



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MAY 10, 2026

6th Sunday of Easter

VI Niedziela po Wielkanocy

May 10, 2026

Rite: See Program Book.

Entrance Hymn: V. He presented Himself alive to them by many proofs after He had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. Alleluia. **R. Blessed be the Lord day by day, God, our salvation, Who carries us. Alleluia.** 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 Acts 8:5-8,14-17

Psalm: Ps 66:1-7,16,20

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Epistle: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel: John 14:15-21

Intention: For all mothers living and departed; For śp. Josephine Panfil (42nd anniversary) off. by Larry Panfil; śp. Maria Witkowska; For Elizabeth Węglinski (1st anniversary) off. by the Węglinski Family.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Lauren DeBlois.

- Easter Lauds, Holy Mass at 10am (Seasonal Booklet).
- Coffee Hour.
- Holy Mass at Noon (Traditional Rite, Pew Missal pg. 15).

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Today's Music

- See Program Book
- Communion Instrumental: Hail Mary Gentle Women (instrumental)

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Please keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **Easter**: More than just a day – an entire season of 50 days. Join us for everything Easter.
- **Welcome/Introduction Cards**: Our new welcome/introduction/prayer cards are on the back table. There are also brochures. Stay tuned for the launch of our totally redesigned website, hopefully this coming Friday. Take a few and share them. If you see someone new in church, give them one.
- **Veteran's and Service Members Bibles**: We have a good number of Bibles specifically for veterans and service members. If you know someone who is a veteran or service member, let's give them one.
- **Mother's Day and the Month of Mary**: May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin. Today we celebrate Mother's Day praying for all moms. We seek the Blessed Mother's intercession for our parish and its families through our prayer. We honor Mary today by crowing her image.
- **ACTIVITIES: Memorial Day**: Holy Mass at HNJ Cemetery, 10am, May 24th. **Men's Retreat**: Information is on the back table. This event is so very important, especially in this Synod year. In past Synod years the prayer that took place at this event has resulted in many graces and blessings for our Holy Church. Keep it going. **Kurs and Convo** – If any youth are interested, their parents/grandparents should see Fr. Jim.

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 ---

And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, Whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows Him. But you know Him, because He remains with you, and will be in you.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!
He is truly risen! Alleluia!

We begin today a particular focus on the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Easter Season, our fifty-day celebration, has only two full weeks left in it. That is only fourteen days out of the fifty, and this week we celebrate the Lord's Ascension as is proper on the fortieth day - Thursday.

We spent the first three weeks of Easter centered on the appearances of Jesus after His resurrection. Then we celebrated Jesus, the Good Shepherd Who remains with us, guiding and protecting us. Then we arrive at

this time which can be a bit... confusing.

Rather than focusing on the stuff, the occurrences of that forty-day period Jesus remained on earth with us, we jump back to the Last Supper and Jesus' pre-crucifixion prayer and instruction as recorded in John's gospel narrative. We read that last week, this week, and will next week.

We might ask, wait, why are we back there? We ask because we have a very strong sense of the present. As human beings we tend to look backward with perhaps nostalgia, fond memory, and sometimes regret. We also know we cannot predict tomorrow, so what we have is today. That is important because what we do today counts.

Our view as mere humans may seem limited, but there is an alternative. We can stop viewing things in mere human terms and start viewing them in kingdom terms.

What Jesus is telling us in the last supper discourse we are focusing on is the plan for the kingdom, what it will look like. His death and resurrection ushered that in.

In fourteen days, on Pentecost, we celebrate our acceptance of the gift Jesus promised, the Advocate we know, Who is in us and remains with us. He gives us the power and ability to see not just now, but the entirety of the plan Jesus laid out so we may act to bring it about. Let us do that today.

Memory Verse

For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them.

1 Corinthians 9:19

Time to Study God's Word

SUN: 1 John 3:2

MON: 2 Peter 3:9

TUE: Philippians 2:15

WED: 2 Peter 1:21

THR: Romans 8:28

FRI: 2 Corinthians 3:18

SAT: Galatians 3:26

Pray the Week:

Lord Jesus, You have laid out the entirety of the Kingdom plan and have placed the work to be done to bring it about squarely on my shoulders. Grant me the strength to carry out that work and the vision to see it through. 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, Jacqueline Lawrence, Don Carpenter, Barbara Rogers, 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, 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 All Saints Parish, Sterling Heights, MI.

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

Upcoming

- **May 10: 6th Sunday of Easter. Mother's Day. May Crowning. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- May 11: Food Pantry, 3pm until 6pm. Parish Committee Meets at 5pm.
- May 12: No Holy Mass.
- May 13: May Marian Devotions at 3pm.
- May 14: Solemnity of the Ascension. Holy Mass at Noon.
- May 15: No Holy Mass
- **May 17: 7th Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- May 18: Food Pantry, 3pm until 6pm. Fr. Jim leads Western Diocese Clergy Retreat.
- May 19: Fr. Jim leads Western Diocese Clergy Retreat.
- May 20: Fr. Jim leads Western Diocese Clergy Retreat. No Marian Devotions.
- May 21: Holy Mass at Noon.
- May 22: No Holy Mass.