



VMFC
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Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JULY 19, 2026

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time XVI Niedziela zwykła

July 19, 2026

Rite: See Worship Aid.

Entrance Hymn: V. Lord, You are kind and forgiving, most loving to all who call on You. **R. Lord, hear my prayer; listen to my cry for help.** 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: Wisdom 12:13,16-19

Psalm: Ps. 86:5-6,9-10,15-16

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Epistle: Romans 8:26-27

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

Intention: For all parishioners

Celebrant: Rev. Mr. Mark Koscinski.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

- Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 10am (Program Booklet).
- Coffee Hour.

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Today's Music

- Pg 9, Hymn of Faith. vs 1 & 4
- Hymn to the Holy Spirit: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: R526, Faith Of Our Fathers.
- Communion Hymn: Here I Am Lord (instrumental).
- Post Communion: R334, We Praise Thee.
- Recessional: R240, Fairest Lord Jesus.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Please keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.
- **PLEASE PRAY EACH DAY: Come Holy Spirit. Pour out Thy blessings upon our parish and the entire Church, especially considering Holy Synod this Fall.**
- Thank you to Rev. Mr. Mark Koscinski who will fill in for Fr. Jim today.
- **Some Saints for this Week:** Vincent de Paul, Joseph Barsabas, Victor, Simeon Salas, Mary Magdalene, Joseph of Palestine, John Cassian, Anne, Kunegunda, James the Greater, Christopher, Thea, Valentina, and Paul May they pray for us so we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
- **Weeks Ahead:** Low Mass – we will have Low Mass on Sundays in the summer singing only hymns. Fr. Jim will be away for most of July. Rev. Mr. Mark Koscinski will fill in on July 19th. Please welcome him.
- **Encampment 2026:** Fr. Jim is at Hancock Air National Guard Base in Syracuse until July 25th as Chaplain for the Civil Air Patrol leaders and cadet cadre attending the 2026 NY Wing Encampment. Please keep him and all attending in your prayers as well as all servicemembers on base.
- **New Priests:** During the week of July 5 – 11 three new priests were received into the Church. More info to come. Keep them and all preparing to enter the Church in your prayers.

Baptized Christians who believe in the true presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist and have prepared themselves through the Sacrament of Penance are invited to partake of this Holy Sacrament. It is the practice of the PNCC to distribute the Holy Eucharist through the method of intinction. The Body of Christ is immersed into the Precious Blood and is placed on the tongue and not in the hand of the communicant. Come and let us be one with our Lord.

“Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.”

We are to live faith actively, a faith that permeates every aspect of our lives.

Jesus continues to discuss those traits we are to necessarily integrate into our lives.

Last week we began our study of a series of parables Jesus offers. We hear the next ones today and will hear more next week.

Parables are an illustrative way Jesus uses to describe God’s Kingdom and how we are to attain to the Kingdom.

When they get back to where they are lodging, the Apostles ask Jesus what His parables mean. He explains the parable of the wheat and the weeds.

Naturally we focus on the conclusion of the explanation. The wheat are the children of

the Kingdom and the weeds are the children of the Evil One. At the conclusion of the world there will be absolute accountability.

Those who fed the world with God’s word and spirit will go to heaven, those who sowed evil, well their outlook and destination isn’t too great.

Simple enough to understand, but the question is – How do we get there, to living a faith that permeates our being? How do we turn out to be that wheat?

The first step was our baptism through which we entered the life of God. We were reborn or regenerated into a new life, the life of the wheat.

From there, with the help of God’s grace received through the good we do and the sacraments we receive, we

work to walk the path Jesus laid out. We live what is in the Gospel. Love of God, love of neighbor, the actions we take because we have the life of God in us. Actively lived faith is core values demonstrated each day.

We are also offered reassurance because we know we fall short at times. God offers us patience, the opportunity to repent and live rightly. Our Psalm response tells us that the *Lord is good and forgiving*. St. Paul tells us that our needs, including our need for growth, is brought to the Father by the Holy Spirit Himself.

As such, let us have confidence in both God’s help and mercy that help us continuously grow in living our faith actively.

Memory Verse

A land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey,

Deuteronomy 8:8

Time to Study God’s Word

SUN: Luke 3:17

MON: Ezekiel 45:13

TUE: Jude 1:3-4

WED: Colossians 3:23

THR: 1 Corinthians 15:37-38

FRI: Jeremiah 23:28

SAT: 1 Samuel 6:13

Pray the Week:

Lord God, You commanded the people of Israel to bring gifts of wheat as an offering. Grant that we ourselves may be that gift of wheat; that our actively lived faith may increase Your Kingdom. Amen!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Kelly Noble, 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, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Dawn Main, Fran Muscatello, Bob Giczkowski, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, Aimee, Liz, Dorothy Morrison, Jennifer, Steve Snyder, Susan D’Ameco, Ed Sargalis, Chip, Jacqueline Lawrence, Don Carpenter, Dewey & Barbara Rogers, Jeremy Spencer, Ross Jenkins, and all needing God’s healing grace.

- All those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States esp. Michael Angehr, Mark Collins, Patricia 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.

We pray for our entire Church as we approach Holy Synod.

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

Upcoming

- **July 19: 16th Ordinary Sunday. Service of Worship and Holy Communion at 10am ONLY. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- July 20: Food Pantry, 3-5pm. Fr. Jim at CAP Encampment, Hancock AFB, Syracuse.
- July 25: Feast – St. James the Greater, Apostle.
- **July 26: 17th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- July 27: Food Pantry, 3-5pm.
- July 29: Funeral Service for Nick Emmanuel at 11am, Demarco & Stone Funeral Home.
- **August 2: 18th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- August 3: Feast – Finding of the Body of St. Stephen. Food Pantry, 3-5pm.
- August 6: Solemnity - Transfiguration
- August 3 – 7: Youth Convocation, Camp Monadnock in Jaffrey, NH.
- **August 9: 19th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**