



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – MAY 12, 2024

7th Sunday in Easter VII Niedziela po Wielkanocy

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Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 77.

First reading: Acts 1:15-17,20-26

Psalm: 103:1-2,11-12,19-20

The Lord has set his throne in heaven.

Epistle: 1 John 4:11-16

Gospel: John 17:11-19

Intention: For all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts, and all the special women in our lives both living and deceased.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

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

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." Alleluia.

R. So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through 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.

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Today's Music

- Crowning: O Mary Our Mother (booklet)
- Easter Asperges: E14, I Saw Water.
- Entrance: B268, Hail Blessed Mary.
- Gloria: Hymn Of Joy (handout).
- Sacrament of the Word: B141, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: B134, Beloved Queen Rejoice.
- Canon: Alleluia 107 (handout).
- Communion: Tell Mother I'll Be There.
- Communion Reflection: B266, Mary Dear.
- Recessional: Hail Holy Queen (handout)

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **God Bless all those special women in our lives on this Mother's Day.** Eternal rest to all those called unto the Lord. Thank you to both the Adoration Society (ANS) and the Young Men's Society (YMSofR) for the beautiful flowers for our special ladies.
- **Pizza and Game Night: Our next pizza and game night will be Saturday, June 1st starting at 5pm.**
- **EVENTS:** of various kinds are upon us as we approach the summer. There are deadlines for registration. We unfortunately had no one step forward for the Mission and Evangelism Conference this year. Let us make a point of participating next year. Please see Fr. Jim in relation to these events.
 - **The Men's Retreat** with keynote speaker SSG. Earl Granville is fast approaching (June 12 - 15). Please join in this fantastic spiritual opportunity.
 - **Kurs** (July 4 - 13) for youth ages 8 to 17 and
 - **Convo** (July 22 - 26) for youth ages 13 to 27.
- **A Ministry for You?** We need people to minister in Jesus' model as Altar Servers, Lectors, and SOCL Teachers. Please 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.

--- *And He said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."* ---

“I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world.”

Christ is Risen! He is truly Risen! Alleluia!

On this last Sunday in the Easter Season, we hear again from the extended Last Supper dialog between Jesus and His Apostles. Jesus is pouring out His heart to them as their servant, teacher, and Lord. He is begging them to take these lessons to heart.

In this dialog Jesus draws the distinction between the world and worldly and those who follow Him. He plainly states that those who follow Him are different.

On this Mother’s Day we might recall those dialogs with our moms: ‘Aww, mom, do I have to be so different. I want to be just like everybody else.’ Maybe it was the clothes or shoes we had. Maybe it was our weird lunch. Yet mom always reinforced the

value of being unique. You know how that goes, in one ear, out the other.

Perhaps I was weirdest and differentest kid of all, my dad having died, my diabetes touching everything I wished I could do. I was the textbook case of a child wanting to be just like everybody else.

I am thankful for the time I had in church. I recognized in God’s word the value of giving my all for His kingdom. In my mind it was no longer a question of wanting to be the same as everybody else but of embracing a different way of living; life different in Jesus.

Let us reinforce this – Jesus made us separate from the world. What we pursue matters. What we want matters. How we live matters.

Jesus asks us to consider those things we are chasing

after. Our moms asked a similar question didn’t they: ‘What are you chasing after? What’s important to you?’

If we are not pursuing the kingdom we end up just like Judas. As Acts tells us, Judas went his own way. He pursued what was important to him and that was not God. He was after a worldly prize – power and wealth. That is why he is referred to as the ‘son of destruction.’

In a week we will move from the Easter season into Pentecost and living out the mission given us by Jesus with the power given us by the Holy Spirit. Our Easter joy becomes practical. Let’s then embrace our differentness, not pursuing the world and becoming sons and daughters of destruction, but indeed being sons and daughters of our heavenly King.

Memory Verse

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1 John 2:15

Time to Study God’s Word

SUNDAY: Psalm 4:3
MONDAY: 2 Corinthians 7:1
TUESDAY: 1 Peter 2:9
WEDNESDAY: Romans 12:1
THURSDAY: Romans 12:2
FRIDAY: Deuteronomy 14:2
SATURDAY: Galatians 2:20

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, You have made me a new person, set apart for the work of the kingdom. Grant that I may pursue only those things of the kingdom and reject all that is worldly. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Jasmine Russo, Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Mariea Chase, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, Claudia Bertasso, John Clas, Virginia Lamb, Curtis Sczepkowski, Joshua Moraski, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, Joanne Bauer, Madison Sheridan, Tom Abbot, Derek Westcott, Karen Kisch, Gregory Henderson, Theresa Ordon, Michelle Zawistowski, Susan Jones, Garry Packer, Gary & Sandra Tatlock, Shirley Maliszewski, Fred Hendricks, Theresa, Carla, Francine, Eileen, Joyce Colson, Karen Weyant, Helen Spencer, Steve and Claudia Miller, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Brian Rohan, Mary Walters, Tom Walters, Nedra Liebert, Dawn Main, Tony and Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wieczorek and all in need of 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.
- 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
- All who have asked for our prayers for any need or intention.

This week we remember and pray for the people and clergy of Holy Trinity parish, Woodlawn, NY.

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

Upcoming

- **May 12: 7th Sunday of Easter. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- **May 13: No Holy Mass.**
- **May 14: Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the Infant of Prague.**
- **May 15: Holy Mass at Noon. May Devotions follow.**
- **May 16: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 17: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **May 19: Solemnity of Pentecost. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois.**
- **May 20: No Holy Mass. Parish Committee Meets at 6pm. Mont Pleasant Memorial Day Service at the corner of Chrisler and Van Velsen at 6:30pm.**
- **May 21-22: No Holy Mass. Fr. Jim in Scranton.**