



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – JULY 7, 2024

14th Ordinary Sunday

XIV Niedziela zwykła

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

First reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Psalm: 123:1-4

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Intention: For all parishioners.

Celebrant: Rev. Mark Gnidzinski.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil.

- Holy Mass at Noon (Contemporary Rite, Pew Missal pg. 63).

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Ah! sinful nation, people laden with wickedness, evil race, corrupt children! They have forsaken the Lord, spurned the Holy One of Israel, apostatized.

R. The Lord is with you when you are with Him, and if you seek Him, He will be present to you; but if you abandon Him, He will abandon you.

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

- Entrance: B1, Hymn Of Faith v. 1 & 2.
- Sacrament of the Word: B142, Holy Spirit.
- Offertory: Look Beyond (handout).
- Communion: Here I Am Lord (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: R334, We Praise Thee.
- Recessional: R337, Praise To The Lord.

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **Altamont Fair Sign-ups:** We have undertaken sponsorship of the chapel at the Altamont Fair (August 13-18). This is a wonderful privilege. We will be placing information about our parish in the chapel and will have a sign outdoors. Friday, August 16th will also be designated as our day to be present at the chapel. Fr. Jim will hold Holy Mass at 11am that day. We request volunteers to be greeters/welcomers at the chapel that day after Holy Mass between noon and 8pm. A sign-up sheet is posted.
- **Please PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.**
- **EVENTS:** of various kinds are upon us as we approach the summer. There are deadlines for registration. Please see Fr. Jim in relation to these events.
 - **Convo** (July 22 – 26) for youth ages 13 to 20.
 - **Parish/Community Picnic**, Sunday, August 18th following 10am Holy Mass.
 - **YMSofR Golf Tourney**, August 24th in Buffalo.
- **See the volunteer flyers** for our food bank partnership. It is a wonderful ministry to those in need in our local community.
- **The PNA** is offering great rates on annuities and other specials. See Fr. Jim.
- **Thank you: To Fr. Mark for filling in again this week.**

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."* ---

They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" And they took offense at Him.

Today we encounter Jesus getting a lot of push back. His hometown people hated Him. Jesus was so offensive to them that they revolted. The text of our Opening Hymn came to life: *Ah! sinful nation, people laden with wickedness, evil race, corrupt children! They have forsaken the Lord, spurned the Holy One of Israel, apostatized. If you abandon Him, He will abandon you.*

And, that is what Jesus did, He left them because of their lack of faith and trust. It was beyond His power to move their hearts because they refused His grace, they rejected the love of God and God's gifts placed before them.

This experience of Jesus is much like our own, isn't it? His experience tells us something about ourselves and what we can do in the face of push back. It is

Jesus' revelation of our likeness to Him and a call to His service even when we are faced with challenges.

We have many gifts. We are not really different from Jesus because we share in His gifts and in our ability to use them for the Kingdom. He calls us to grow our gifts through faith, trust, and confidence in Him and He lets us know that if we are part of His life, if we are with and in Him, He has us, is with us, and in us.

Jesus knows all the gifts we have. God, through the Holy Spirit, fills each of us with the gifts He wants us to have, those that will best build His Kingdom. God's gifts are never pointless. Some gifts we hold in common; some are unique to each of us. Some of the gifts we have are fully present in us right now and others will emerge in the future, in God's time and according to His plan.

For our part we must be open to using the gifts God has given us

for His glory and praise. We must do that in practical ways that build His Kingdom.

Some of those practical ways are giving God the credit for the gifts people see in us, our talents and intellect, our smile and joy, our seriousness and concern, our charity and compassion. We are to call people into the Kingdom and bring them into the Church. We are to show them the way to life by our witness to our friends, parents, and relatives. We are to accept Jesus and all the gifts He offers. We are to let people know we said yes to Jesus, yes to His grace.

Like Jesus, we will get ignored, people will push back. It is not that they do not see our gifts, but their sin corrupts their view of the gifts we offer and Who and what we work for. That push back doesn't really matter because in the end, like Jesus, we will have victory! In the end the Kingdom will be built through our gifts.

Memory Verse

"The one who hears you hears Me, and the one who rejects you rejects Me, and the one who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me."

Luke 10:16

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: 1 Peter 5:7
MONDAY: 1 Peter 2:4
TUESDAY: Psalm 27:10
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 94:14
THURSDAY: Psalm 34:17-20
FRIDAY: John 15:18
SATURDAY: Romans 8:31

Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, those who should love You often reject You and those You send. Grant us perseverance in the face of push back and give us strength to witness to You at all times and in all places. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, Curtis Szczepkowski, Joshua Moraski, Jessie Feathers-Ostrowski, 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, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Nedra Liebert, Dawn Main, Tony and Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wiczorek, Bob Giczkowski, Lei Guo, 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
- The residents and staff of Pathways
- All who have asked for our prayers for any need or intention.

This week we remember and pray for the people and clergy of All Saints Parish, Carnegie, PA.

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

Upcoming

- **July 7: 14th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at Noon ONLY. Lector: Larry Panfil.**
- **July 8 – 12: No Holy Mass.**
- **July 13: Women's Empowerment Group Meets at 10am.**
- **July 14: 15th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- **July 15: No Holy Mass. Parish Committee Meets at 6pm.**
- **July 16: Solemnity – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Holy Mass at Noon. Chaplet to the Infant of Prague.**
- **July 17: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **July 18: Holy Mass at Noon.**