



# Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

## Solemnity of Brotherly Love Święto Braterskiej Miłości

September 8, 2024

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

First reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Ps 85:9-14

**Lord, let us see Your kindness, and grant us Your salvation.**

Epistle: 1 John 4:17-21

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Intention: For an increase in the witness of love among all people.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Joe Kaczynski.

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

### THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

**R. In this way the love of God was revealed to us; God sent His only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him.**

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: R1, For The Beauty Of The Earth (verses 1, 3, 5).
- Gloria: E1, Glory Be.
- Sacrament of the Word: B142, Holy Spirit Come Inspire Us.
- Offertory: Take Up Your Cross (handout)
- Communion: Be Not Afraid (instrumental).
- Communion Reflection: R107, Amazing Grace.
- Recessional: R377, Joyful, Joyful.

## +++ Reminders & Notes +++

- **Keep inviting people to meet the Lord and join in worship and fellowship.**
- **EVENTS:** of various kinds are upon us as we approach the Fall. Please see Fr. Jim in relation to these events.
  - **Seminary Semester Start.** Monday, September 16th. **Please PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.**
- **School of Christian Living.** Our Sunday School is reborn thanks to Renee, Andrea, and Christina. Please have your children attend each Sunday, starting September 15th, following Coffee Hour Snacks. Tell friends and neighbors too.
- **Thank you** to Larry, Pete, Paul, and Jeff for trimming the shrubbery and trees around HNJ cemetery.
- **See the volunteer flyers** for our food bank partnership. The pantry is open every Monday from 3pm until 6pm. We begin packing orders at 1pm.
- **A Word About Back to Church Sunday.** People, once they stop coming to church, drift further away, not because of unbelief but because of the fear of embarrassment. Will people ask where I've been? Remember, Jesus never asked the lost sheep: What have you been up to? He just welcomed him back. Sunday, September 15th, invite friends, family, and those we haven't seen in a while.

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."* ---

*“What is written in the Law? How do you understand it?”*

For seven Sundays we journeyed with Jesus and His apostles coming to understand that we receive Him. For the rest of Ordinary Time and the special Solemnities of our Church, Jesus will discuss the practical application of being in Him. How do we do it?

Last week we covered the nature of the Law Israel was to follow. Unfortunately, what Jesus encountered was the Law reduced to a series of dos and don'ts modified with unimportant additions. What was meant to be about Israel's special relationship with God and with each other had been corrupted.

Jesus tells us that the Law's true nature is about a community in relationship with God and each other. More importantly for us who receive Jesus, who are in His living presence right now, our way of life must be about growing toward God, having our hearts close to God, and always keeping our worship directed to God.

Today the Law scholar questions

Jesus exactly about the way God's people are to live. What encompasses the nature of relationship with God and others as contained in the Law. After covering the basics and getting the passages right, the scholar asked for more and Jesus responded with one of His more known parables, that of the Good Samaritan.

So, for us today. In just a bit we will offer our sacrifices – which we all give – the bread and the wine. In their offering and the repetition of Jesus' words at the Last Supper, we will all be pulled into eternity with Christ. We will be in His presence, in heaven, for the briefest of moments. He will return with us providing us His gift of His Body and Blood.

In that moment, and in receiving Him, let us practice asking the same question, ‘What do I do with Him in me? How do I

understand and enact Him?’

The response we will get is Jesus repeating His closing words to the scholar: *“Go and do likewise.”*

We must take Jesus and take up His way of life as we walk the gospel path in our everyday lives. Our receiving Him is an awesome meeting with eternal love, but if we just keep it for ourselves, we fall short.

How to do it, what to take on? There are million plus ways to enact the example of the Good Samaritan. Visit a friend, talk with someone about Jesus, sing a hymn with someone, volunteer, encourage a young person in their journey, console the sick, comfort a mourner.

Like the Samaritan, we will come across the moment we are needed – the Holy Spirit will put it right there. Then answer the question: *“What is written in the gospel? How do I understand it?”*

## Memory Verse

*He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.*

**2 Corinthians 9:10**

## Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Luke 6:38

MONDAY: Isaiah 54:2

TUESDAY: Genesis 26:12

WEDNESDAY: Malachi 3:10

THURSDAY: Job 8:7

FRIDAY: Ephesians 3:20

SATURDAY: Romans 13:8-9

## Pray the week:

Lord Jesus, grant me increase, not in things, but in the love I show by the way I respond to Your question in serving You and my brothers and sisters.

## 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, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, 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 Holy Trinity Parish, Washington, PA.

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

## Upcoming

- **Sept. 8: Solemnity of Brotherly Love. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski.**
- **Sept. 9: Solemnity – Nativity of the BVM. Holy Mass at Noon. Food Pantry, 3pm until 6pm.**
- **Sept. 10: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **Sept. 11: 23rd Anniversary of 9/11/2001. Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **Sept. 12 – 13: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **Sept. 14: Solemnity – Exaltation of the Holy Cross.**
- **Sept. 15: 24th Ordinary Sunday. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Lauren DeBlois. SOCL Begins.**