



Focus Bulletin

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH – NOVEMBER 24, 2024

Solemnity of Christ the King

Uroczystość Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata

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Rite: Pew Missal, page 63, Canon, page 88.

First reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Psalm: 93:1-2,5

R. The Lord is king; He is robed in majesty.

Epistle: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Intention: 10am and Noon for all faithful departed commended to us.

Celebrant: Rev. Jim Konicki.

Lector: 10am, Larry Panfil

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

THIS WEEK'S ENTRANCE HYMN

V. The Lord guides the world with a turn of His hand, and all things obey His will. For He is King of all, and by His power He separates what is holy from what is not.

R. All the ends of the earth will worship and turn to the Lord; all the families of nations will bow low before You. For kingship belongs to the Lord, the ruler over the nations.

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: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King (handout).
- Gloria: E1, Glory Be.
- Sacrament of the Word: E9, Come Holy Ghost.
- Offertory: Glory And Praise To Our God (handout).
- Communion: Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All (instrumental)
- Communion Reflection: R347, All Creatures Of Our God And King.
- Recessional: Alleluia, Sing To Jesus (handout).

+++ Reminders & Notes +++

- Please 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.
 - **Winter Clothing Drive**, now until January 6th. Count sheets are available.
 - **Food Collection for those in need in our community.** Please place your offerings by the Mary Altar.
 - **Fall Comfort Food Sale**, Sunday, December 8th from 1:30 until gone. 16oz. individual services with bread for \$10, 64oz. family size for \$30 (save \$10). Please pre-order if you can.
 - **Annual dues** of \$125 per individual are due by December 31st. Please get yours paid-in-full by then. It is no more than \$2.40 a week, less than a cost of a cup of coffee.
- **School of Christian Living.** Please have your children attend each Sunday. Tell friends and neighbors too.
- **Please continue to pray** for our six seminarians: Deacons Sean and Justin, David, Todd, Joel, and Jon. Pray for a continued increase in vocations to the priesthood and diaconate.
- **Christmas Vigil Raffle:** Please see Joe Kaczynski to get your tickets. They are \$50 each.
- **Advent Begins.** We will bless the Oplátky (Christmas wafers) and Advent wreath next Sunday. Rorate Candlelight Holy Masses each Wednesday at 7:30am. Weekday Cycle I and Sunday Cycle C reading will be used.

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."* ---

“...have others told you about Me?”

For seven Sundays this summer we journeyed with Jesus and His apostles coming to understand that we receive Him.

Jesus' journey continued as He moved from Galilee into Judea and on to Jerusalem. He is now at the end of His journey, standing before Pilate, awaiting torture and death. Along the way of this journey Jesus has discussed the many ways we are to apply His presence within us.

Pilate begins his interrogation of Jesus by questioning Jesus' kingship. We have an opportunity here to explore a bit about Pilate.

He was a member of the Equestrian Order which were Roman Cavalrymen who came from the landed gentry. That means he was educated and already had wealth, and political and social connections as a young man that further grew through his service to Caesar. He was appointed governor and prefect of

Judea which gave him immense power over the military (who were really police), taxes, judicial power including the power to condemn people to death. He could mint coins and grant certain measures of control to local authorities.

Like many politicians, Pilate was skillful, competent, and manipulative. He reigned as governor for ten years, which is quite long, this thought owing to his skill. Historians from Pilate's time also note that he was a cruel and obstinate man.

One interesting note is that he liked to poke the bear in that he would purposefully provoke the Jewish leaders and people.

This little vignette of Pilate is intended to show that he had absolutely no interest in the Jewish religion, nor did he have any regard for it. This is why Pilate clearly says: *"I am not a Jew, am I?"*

Pilate knew nothing about Jesus, His claims, teaching, miracles, or of the Kingdom He said, *"is at hand."* All he knew is that an accused man was presented before him for execution.

Jesus' question to Pilate was somewhat rhetorical. He knew that Pilate knew little to nothing of Him. That question however confronts us with how we live out our obligation of witness to Jesus and His Kingdom. Hear Jesus saying this to us: *"Have you told others about Me?"*

The presence of Jesus within us calls us to a life of witness, of talking about Jesus and inviting those we encounter to join us in meeting Him and entering His Kingdom.

Indeed, if Jesus is our King, Leader, Ruler, and ultimate Judge we need to be telling everyone about Him. Come to church with me. Meet

Jesus, the King.

Memory Verse

On His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Revelation 19:16

Time to Study God's Word

SUNDAY: Hebrews 1:1-2
MONDAY: Hebrews 1:3-4
TUESDAY: Revelation 17:14
WEDNESDAY: Psalm 47:2
THURSDAY: Isaiah 9:6
FRIDAY: Revelation 11:15
SATURDAY: Psalm 22:28

Pray

Lord Jesus, grant me humbleness of heart. Make me Your servant. Grant that I may witness to You by telling all I encounter about the joys of Your Kingdom where we worship and adore You. Amen.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Laura Covari, Stan Podkulski, Kelly Noble, Elizabeth Węglinski, 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, Helen Spencer, Michael Clough, Frances Gary, Dan Crawley, Bob Chelkowski, Lyle, Ralph Zell, Phil Wielewinski, Brian Rohan, Tom Walters, Nedra Liebert, Dawn Main, Fran Muscatello, Zosia Wiczorek, Bob Giczkowski, Bishop John, Bishop Paul, Gordon Lamb, Aimee, Liz, Barbara VanShufflin, Dorothy Morrison, 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, 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 pray for the people and clergy of St. Joseph's parish, Brandon, Manitoba.

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

Upcoming

- **November 24: Solemnity - Christ the King. Holy Mass at 10am and Noon. Lector: Larry Panfil. SOCL.**
- **November 25: Food Pantry, 3 to 6pm.**
- **November 26 - 29: No Holy Mass.**
- **November 28: Thanksgiving!!!!**
- **November 30: Feast - St. Andrew, Apostle.**
- **December 1: 1st Sunday of Advent. Holy Mass at 10am with Blessing of the Advent Wreath and Opłatki (Christmas Waffers) and Noon. Lector: Joe Kaczynski. SOCL.**
- **December 2: Food Pantry, 3 to 6pm.**
- **December 3: No Holy Mass.**
- **December 4: Rorate Holy Mass at 7:30am.**
- **December 5: Holy Mass at Noon.**
- **December 6: Commemoration - St. Nicholas. Fr. Jim's 10th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood. Holy Mass at Noon.**