



PARISH ORGANISATION

ADMINISTRATOR (PASTOR)

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CHAIRMAN - Joseph Bednarz

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PARISH COMMITTEE

meets normally every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

PASTOR EMERITUS

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SACRAMENTS

- BAPTISMS:** must be arranged in person
- MARRIAGES:** 6 months prior arrangement
- CONFESSIONS:** by appointment
- SICK VISITS:** by appointment
- FUNERALS:** family should contact Fr. Adam as soon as possible

If you have a family member or a friend in the hospital or sick at home wishing a pastoral visit, notify Fr. Adam as soon as possible to schedule a visit.



SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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BEHOLD

PARISH BULLETIN

WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY!

Saint John the Baptist Parish of the Polish National Catholic Church has been an integral part of Manchester community for almost 90 years meeting the religious needs first for the Polish immigrants, and later for all residents of the Connecticut State.

Consider joining us for Sunday Worship! For more than two thousand years, the Sunday Eucharist has been at the very heart of the life of the Christian Church. There is no substitute for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass! Everything we are and everything we do flows into and out of this act of Divine Worship.

In addition, Catholics know that they must continually nourish their spiritual lives apart from Sunday Eucharist. Daily prayer, frequent reception of the sacraments, devotions, bible study, ongoing Christian formation and an active life of charity are the building blocks of what it means to be a CHRISTIAN-CATHOLIC. You will find all of these activities in our parish and we encourage your participation.

If you have questions or suggestions about the parish, you may contact us. Please feel free to stop by the Parish Office or to speak to one of the priests or lay members after Sunday Mass.

You are very welcome to our community!

*Fr. Adam Piekarczywski
Administrator*



HOLY MASS

. 9.00 am

- in English (po angielsku)

. 11.00 am

- in Polish (po polsku)

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

**TODAY'S MASS
INTENTION
9 am**

**For our parish that God
will bless us with new
members and renew our
spirit of love and service.**



**TODAY'S MASS
INTENTION
11 am**

**Za naszą parafię, by Bóg
błogosławił jej wzrost
i rozwój.**

XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

Contemporary Mass: Mass Book p.63

ENTRANCE HYMN - TO THEE WE COME

Come unto Jesus, come while you may;
Hear how He calls you, come now this day.
How he does love you, follow His way,
Gently He calls you, Come!

Ref: Lo, the vision wondrous to behold!
He would save us from this sinful world.
To heaven's blessed glory untold,
O dearest Lord we come!

Come O my child now, come heed His call,
Give Him your heart, your love and your all.
He shall uplift you, lest you should fall,
Gently He calls you, Come!

INTROIT

C: Therefore, holy "brothers," sharing in a heavenly calling,
reflect on Jesus, the apostle and High Priest of our confession.

**R: For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to
sympathize with our weaknesses, but one Who has
similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin.**

C: 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.**

COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

10/21 Today we celebrate Heritage Sunday and we hold second collection: Outreach to Poland.

10/27 Next Saturday in our parish we're going to have a special Healing Prayer Service at 3 pm. This is a powerful church service of bringing God's healing power into the lives of those who are suffering from illness, physical disabilities, grief, fear, and mental or spiritual health issues. If you suffer physically or spiritually come to experience the healing power of Jesus!

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

- We would like to remind you about the possibility to offer a Holy Mass in your own, particular intention. You can do it in two ways: stop by the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass or take one of the envelopes from the back of our Church, fill it and return to Fr. Adam. **We have still free Sundays in October and November without any Mass intention!**
- The envelopes for **ALL SOULS DAY** are available at the back of the church. Write down the names of your deceased family members and return the envelope either to Fr. Adam personally or during the Sunday Mass collection. **All the envelopes must be submitted until October 31.** The solemn celebration of the Holy Eucharist for all deceased members of our families will take place in our church on **November 2 (Friday) at 6 pm and on November 4 (Sunday) at 9 am. and 11 am.**
- If you have any suggestions or improvements for our Sunday Bulletin, do not hesitate to contact Fr. Adam. We'd like to have our bulletin friendly to the parishoners and guests.

Whoever wishes to be great
among you will be your servant!

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus reveals that to be great is to be a servant. Firmly put in your mind that God desires you to be a servant just as you are. That is, you serve God best by trying to be patient, gentle and loving in the activities and responsibilities that your state in life requires. Once you are convinced of this, you must bring yourself to a tender affection for your state in life. Because God wills it, we must love everything about it and give it first place in our heart, recalling it often, thinking it over seriously, welcoming and enjoying the truth of it.

Cultivate your own garden as best you can. Direct your thoughts to being very good at being what you are and bear the crosses, little or great, that you find there by frequently asking God to help you. Do not consider the importance of the things you do. For of themselves they are insignificant. Consider only the dignity they have in being willed by God's providence, and planned according to God's wisdom. In a word, if they are pleasing to God and acknowledged being so, to whom should they be displeasing?

Little by little exercise your will to follow God's will. God, who does nothing in vain, gives us strength and courage when we need them. Gradually the strong resistance you feel will become weaker and soon disappear altogether. Call to mind that trees bear fruit only because of the presence of the sun, some sooner, and some later. Not all of them yield equal harvests. We are very fortunate to be able to remain in the presence of God. So let us be content that God will make us bear our fruit sooner or later, or only occasionally, according to God's good pleasure. Our openness to the will of God allows us to be faith-filled servants of God, who never fails to help us in our needs...

READING 1

IS 53:10-11

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

The LORD was pleased
to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin,
he shall see his descendants in a long life,
and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.

Because of his affliction
he shall see the light in fullness of days;

through his suffering, my servant shall
justify many,
and their guilt he shall bear.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 33

„Let your love be upon on us, Lord, even as we hope in you.“

READING 2

HEB 4:14-16

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Brothers and sisters:
Since we have a great high priest who has
passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast to our confession.
For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who has similarly been tested in
every way,
yet without sin.

So let us confidently approach the throne of
grace
to receive mercy and to find grace for timely
help.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT - SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me! / x2
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me!

**OFFERTORY SONG - HERE I AM, LORD**

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Ref: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne my people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my words to them
Whom shall I send?

COMMUNION SONG - HALLOWED BE FOREVER (BĄDŹŹE POZDROWIONA)

Hallowed be forever, Living Host Divine,
In which Christ our Savior hidden is sublime.

REF: Hail Thou Jesus, Son of Mary,
Thou art God eternal, Won'drous mystery.

Hallowed be forever, Thou Angelic Bread,
Sacrament Most Holy, by which we are fed.

Hallowed be forever, Shepherd Crucified,
For us Thou didst suffer, for us Thou hast died.

Hallowed be forever, ris'n in victory,
In this Bread Most Holy we would worship Thee.

**FINAL HYMN - QUEEN OF THE ANGELS (KRÓLOWEJ ANIELSKIEJ)**

O sing to the Queen of the Angels, with roses adorning her brow;
O give her your heart then in confidence, As humbly we praise her now.
O Mary, Be thou ever blessed, be our haven evermore. / x2

O Mother of love it is through thee, The graces of God come to us;
In tribute of thanks, now, on bended knee, Our homage we render thus:
O lily! So arrayed in splendor, Virtue radiates from thee. / x2