



PARISH ORGANISATION

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PARISH COMMITTEE

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PARISH COMMITTEE

meets normally once a month.

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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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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

- 10.00 am**
- in English (po angielsku)
- 12.00 pm**
- in Polish (po polsku)

MASS INTENTIONS

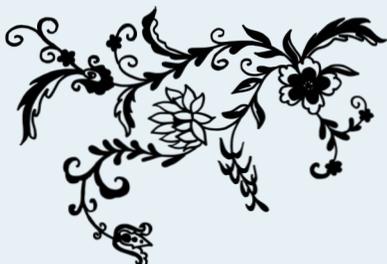
If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will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

V Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S MASS INTENTION 10 am

In memory of
JEREMY WIERZBICKI
(req. by Henry
Wierzbicki)



TODAY'S MASS INTENTION 12 pm

O powrót do zdrowia dla
Bogusławy DZIURA
(req. by Chris & Alexan-
dra Dziura)

Contemporary Mass: Mass Book p.63

ENTRANCE HYMN - BARKA

Lord, when you came to the seashore
you weren't seeking the wise or the wealthy,
but only asking that I might follow.

Ref: Oh Lord, in my eyes you were gazing
Kindly smiling, my name you were saying,
All I treasured, I have left on the sand there
Close to you, I will find other seas.

Lord, have you need of my labor,
hands for service, a heart made for loving
my arms for lifting the poor and broken?

INTROIT

C: Enter, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the
Lord who made us.

R: **For this is our God, whose people we are, God's well
-intended flock.**

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

2/16 (Saturday) **PIEROGI & GOLABKI SALE 10am-2pm.** Our FROZEN freshly hand made and abundantly stuffed PIEROGI will be available for sale in the Church hall along with our delicious GOLABKI (stuffed cabbage rolls with meat). PIEROGI: \$10 per dozen (12) potato&cheese (farmer's or cheddar), mushroom&sauerkraut; GOLABKI: \$12 per 1 tray (4 big golabki).

- **Community Project for 2019:** fence around the backyard of the rectory. A fundraising goal for this project is **\$5,000**. You will find "FENCE FUND" envelopes in the back of the church – you can mail it back to us with cash or check payable to: St. John the Baptist Church – Fence Fund. Even if you can't make a large gift, know that every little bit helps! **Thank you for your generosity!**
- Beginning on Friday, March 29, 2019, the PNCC will present the **XIX National Mission and Evangelism Workshop**, which will be held in Plantsville, CT at Holy Trinity Parish for 3 days. If you are interested in taking part in this event, please, contact Fr. Adam for additional information & registration form.
- We would like to remind you about the possibility to offer a Holy Mass in your own, particular intention. Take one of the envelopes from the back of the Church, write down your intention and return it to Fr. Adam.



Do not be afraid; from now on
you will be catching men.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Gospel account of Jesus' providing the fishers with a huge catch of fish and their being called to be His disciples has parallels in the other Gospels, but there are also differences which allows us to see the emphases that Luke wants to bring to this event. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus calls the fishing partners (Simon-Peter, Andrew, James, and John) at the very beginning of His ministry (Mark 1: 16-20). In John's Gospel, the miraculous catch of fish and Peter's admission of his sinfulness takes place after the resurrection (John 21: 1-14). Luke relates these experiences here in the fifth chapter, after the disciples had been with Jesus for a short period of time. They have begun to see the specialness of Jesus. He has performed many miracles around the Sea of Galilee, returned to His home town of Nazareth (the Gospel for the last two Sundays), healed the mother-in-law of Simon (Peter). After preaching and ministering to the crowds near the Sea of Galilee, Jesus climbs into Simon's boat and tells him to move out a little so He could preach to the people from the boat. Obviously it was now at least the middle of the day (the least likely time to catch fish); yet Jesus tells Simon to go out farther in the sea and let down his nets. Simon, being obedient, but also probably questioning Jesus' knowledge of fishing, does what he is told, and he ends up with a catch of fish that strains the nets and, when hauled in, fills two boats to the sinking point with the mass of fish. Simon, paralleling John 21, admits his sinfulness. Being in the presence of such a person of power and authority (holiness), Simon realizes how undeserving he is of such kindness. It is at that very moment that Jesus calls Simon to a new vocation – instead of gathering in nets full of fish, he is being commissioned to gather in humans so that they can experience the awesomeness (holiness) of Jesus.

READING 1

IS 6:1-2A, 3-8

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, with the train of his garment filling the temple. Seraphim were stationed above. They cried one to the other, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!" At the sound of that cry, the frame of the door shook and the house was filled with smoke. Then I said, "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of

hosts!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, holding an ember that he had taken with tongs from the altar. He touched my mouth with it, and said, "See, now that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged."

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said; "send me!"

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 138

„Before the Angels I sing your praise, O Lord.“

READING 2

1 COR 15:3-8, 11

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters,
I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
that he was buried;
that he was raised on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve.

After that, he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at once, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. After that he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one abnormally born, he appeared to me. Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory be to You, Lord.

While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that the boats were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

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 - HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME

1 Holy God, we praise your name;
 Lord of all, we bow before you;
 all on earth your scepter claim,
 all in heav'n above adore you.
 Infinite your vast domain,
 everlasting is your reign.

2 Hark, the loud celestial hymn
 angel choirs above are raising;
 cherubim and seraphim
 in unceasing chorus praising,
 fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
 "Holy, holy, holy Lord."

3 Lo! the apostolic train
 join your sacred name to hallow;
 prophets swell the glad refrain,
 and the white-robed martyrs follow;
 and from morn to set of sun,
 through the church the song goes on.

4 Holy Father, Holy Son,
 Holy Spirit, Three we name you;
 while in essence only One,
 undivided God we claim you,
 and adoring bend the knee,
 while we sing this mystery.

COMMUNION SONG - HALLOWED BE FOREVER (BĄDŹŹE POZDROWIONA)

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

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

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

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

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

FINAL HYMN - Here I am, Lord

1) 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 have made the stars of night
 I will make their darkness bright
 Who will bear my light to them?
 Whom shall I send?

2) I the lord of wind and flame
 I will tend the poor and lame
 I will set a feast for them
 My hand will save
 Finest bread I will provide
 Till their hearts be satisfied
 I will give my life 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

