

This coming Wednesday, May 20th, marks the 10th anniversary of the ordination to priesthood of Fr. Marcin.



We wish him all the best and assure him of our prayers in his intention.

Our response to today's accounts of the Ascension of the Lord includes repentance, action and hope. First, we are called to repentance. In today's Gospel, the Risen Lord tells us that only those who believe will be saved and that these believers will do such things as cast out demons and heal the sick. When I read this teaching I am reminded how far I have to go in my faith journey, and that I must always pray for God's mercy. Second, we are called to action: to bear witness to the Risen Lord to the ends of the earth; to preach the Good News to the whole creation. The Son of God has returned to his Father in heaven. No it is up to us to pray for the Holy Spirit to work through us – as the Spirit does through the signs the disciples perform – that God's kingdom might come on earth, as it is in heaven. Finally, we are called to be people of hope. Despite all the struggles in our lives, and despite all the suffering that we see in our community and in our world, we can have hope: hope that the Risen Lord will come again to fully restore God's kingdom in the world, as he indeed comes again into our lives today, at this Eucharistic celebration.

Rev. Armand Mercier, Edmonton, AB

First reading: Acts 1.1-11
Responsorial Psalm: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.
Second Reading: Ephesians 1.17-23
Gospel: Mark 16.15-20

Rose # 2 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be sold by Youth today (until 12:00pm only due to the First Communion).

PRAYER EVENING IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZE – We invite everyone for today's evening prayer from 8:00pm - 9:00pm in the church (following the evening Mass). The spirit of Taize is based mainly on prayer through singing, the most important way of expression when looking at God's closeness. Next prayer evenings will be held on Sunday, June 21st.

VICTORIA DAY – LONG WEEKEND - May 18th We wish everyone a safe, sunny and relaxing long weekend.

Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Martina Elise Ormonde Silva daughter of Ashley

Natalia Paulina Wojtczak daughter of Vanessa & Daniel

Ana Piljak daughter of Sheila & Petar

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.

Ascension of the Lord

PRIESTHOOD JUBILEE

Today at 11:00am Mass we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of ordination to priesthood of Fr. Antoni Mendrela. Homily in honour of Fr. Mendrela will be given by Fr. Artur Piwowarczyk.

The golden jubilee is a time of great joy and gratefulness. We thank God for the gift of 50 years of priesthood of Fr. Antoni Mendrela, OMI. Fr. Antoni was a professor at the minor seminary of Oblates of Mary Immaculate in Markowice, in Poland. He was an assistant pastor at St. Casimir, as well as St. Stanislaw Parish in Toronto, a pastor at St. Mary's, as well as St. Casimir Parish. Between 1978 and 1981, Fr. Mendrela was the chaplain of the Polish Combatants Association of Canada and the Provincial of the Assumption Province of Oblates of Mary Immaculate between 1984 and 1990.

Fr. Antoni Mendrela participated in establishing of Polish parishes in the province of Ontario (Mississauga), as well as Edmonton. Between 1984 and 1990 he was the president of the Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada. Currently, Fr. Antoni is a resident at the Senior's House in Brampton. He was awarded the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland by president Lech Kaczynski for his academic and pedagogical achievements for the Canadian Polonia that were forced to emigrate from Poland during the Martial Law. Fr. Mendrela also helped to establish a plan by the Canadian government to help Polish people, who were forced to emigrate from Poland, as well as a bill simplifying the procedures of immigrating to Canada.

We would like to invite all parishioners to join and ask everyone to pray for Fr. Antoni.

ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD

Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate invite all to attend the Priestly Ordination of Deacon Paul Patrick, OMI, member of St. Maximilian Kolbe

Parish community in Mississauga. Deacon Paul will be ordained by His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI of the Diocese of Hamilton, on June 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe church in Mississauga. Following the celebration, all are invited to the parish hall for a reception and to express their wishes to the newly ordained

Fr. Paul Patrick OMI.

Deacon Patrick completed his Pastoral Year 2014/15 at the oblate community in Kiev, Ukraine while doing ministry at St. Nicolas Parish, Oblate Media Centre and serving homeless people in different parts of Kiev.

Paul Patrick says, "I look back on my vocational journey with a great sense of gratitude to God and those people and circumstances through which I was able to meet Him along the way, especially for the Missionary Oblates of Assumption Province for their witness and testimony of life."

First Holy Communion

This year a total of 214 children from our parish received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time.

Today a group of 93 children will receive their Holy Communion.

May the Good Lord Jesus Christ become their protector and guide on their journey through life. We congratulate their parents for bringing them to our Lord's Table and for showing them the importance of God in their love towards other people and their goodness among those we live with.

GOD BLESS THE CATECHISTS

for their dedication in preparing the children to receive First Holy Communion:

Irena Turzynska, Dorota Sciuk, Bozena Erdzik, Piotr Krzyczewski, Bozena Pasierbek, Teresa Bielecka, Malgorzata Hubisz, Kasia Szaflarska, Justyna Teper, Magdalena Hofman, Alicja Pawlikowska, Anna Kowalczyk, Anna Wiercigroch, and Barbara Ornat.

Ewa Czepielewska, Katarzyna Czechoska and Aneta Merta for teaching and leading the vocals and for leading the presentations: Ula Hofman, Anna Baj and Malgorzata Koziak and all volunteers: Nicole Sobieszek, Renata Bzdyk, Monika Pakulski, Justyna Armatowicz, Monika Wiercigroch, Maria Kozlowski, Ania Polkowski and Irena Crisolago as well as the Good Shepherd Catechists: Helena & Kasia Rogala and Maria Ryba and the Coordinator Sr. Karolina Szymkowiak.



WHITE WEEK

All First Communion Children, in their First Communion attire, are invited to 7:00pm Mass during the White Week.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF HOLY COMMUNION

All children who received their First Holy Communion last year are invited to participate in a special anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 24th at 1:00 pm. They are asked to come dressed in their First Communion attire, and gather in the parish hall (downstairs) at 12:30pm.

REMINDER

May 22nd at 7:00pm – End of the Catechetical year for all First Communion children with a Holy Mass.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS - The Month of May is both named for and dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Join us daily at 6:30pm for the Marian Devotions, and in Wednesdays along with the Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and on Saturdays following morning Mass.

All meetings scheduled for Monday, June 8th are cancelled due to the ordination to priesthood of Paul Patrick.

All rooms will be used by the organizers.



WORKSHOPS FOR MARRIAGES IN POLISH - "How to raise children wisely?" will be the topic of lecture as part of the marriage seminars on Monday, May 18th at 8:00pm in the parish hall. Next meetings will be held on May 25th and June 1st. Meetings are led by Waldemar & Halina Paliga.

COME AND SEE – Do you feel God calling you to Priesthood? For any interested males on Saturday, May 23rd a "Come and See" will be held. This day will give you the opportunity to explore and understand what it means to be an Oblate. To register or for more information please contact Fr. Marcin Serwin, OMI at 416 532-2822 or Fr. Wojciech Kurzydlo, OMI at 416 504-4643

COINS FOR LIFE 2015

Again this year there will be boxes to collect money. Boxes will be available by the end of May. We encourage everyone to fill Coins for Life box with your loose change. The proceeds will help fund CLC initiatives such as the National march for Life, LifeChain, and 40 days for life. Please remember to pray for the unborn, and for those who have been affected by abortion. More info: www.coinsforlife.org

CONSECRATION OF ANNA HECOLD - On Sunday, May 31st during the 2:30pm Mass, a consecration of Anna Hecold will take place. The ceremony will be presided by Bp. Matthew Ustrzycki. Such form of consecrated life was very popular during the first centuries of Christianity and was re-introduced after the Second Vatican Council. A consecrated layperson decides to adopt a life of perfect purity and to become celibate for the kingdom of God. Such a person lives his/her vocation in the heart of the Church and promises obedience to the bishop. S/he lives an intense life of prayer and constantly aims for perfection through the love of God and people by following the path of Christ - poor, chaste and obedient. Consecrated layperson wants to bear witness of Christianity by being engaged in the life of the Church and the world. We would like to cordially invite you to the ceremony of Anna's consecration and ask that you pray for her.

ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO - "Our family of faith is coming together in partnership in this historic campaign to meet the critical needs of the Archdiocese of Toronto. To address our identified target of at least \$105 million, we require an outstanding fundraising effort over the next three to five years. Drawing on extensive consultation within the Catholic community, the Family of Faith campaign will address significant priorities for today and leave a lasting legacy for the Church of tomorrow. Your participation in the Family of Faith campaign will help build and strengthen our Catholic community. The campaign will fund youth, campus and lay ministry, ensure a strong Catholic voice in the 'public square,' build and enhance churches, maintain our 'mother church,' St. Michael's Cathedral and help support the needs of every parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto. For more information about the Family of Faith campaign, please visit: www.ourFamilyofFaith.ca"

WYD 2016



BOTTLE COLLECTION

Our youth will be collecting used bottles from alcoholic beverages and beer cans during the two weekends: May 23/24 and May 30/31. Collection will take place by the garages at the church's parking lot. All profits will support those participating in WYD 2016 in Poland.

CONTEST FOR 2016 WYD

The Parish Council organized a contest for the youth going to Krakow for World Youth Day next year.

The details of the contest, as well as its rules will be outlined during the meeting on Sunday, May 24th. The contest will have three categories and there will be one winner in each category.

The first prize in each category is a free trip to Krakow for World Youth Day.

We already have one sponsor, who will pay for the trip of one of the winners.

We would like to thank Dr. Beata Sowinska, from ABM DENTAL OFFICE at 4240 Wilcox Road, Mississauga, 905.272.9966 for sponsoring one of the participants.

We are still looking for two more sponsors to pay for the trip for the other two winners.

We currently have 400 young people signed up for WYD in Krakow in 2016. We would like to remind that interested participants of WYD 2016 are obligated to participate in formation meetings and fundraisings. Next meeting: May 24th – Fr. Janusz & Parish Council Foundering activities:

May 31 – hot meal

June 14 – pierogies

June 21 – donuts & hot meal

July 12 - donuts

July 30 - donuts & pierogies

September 13 – hot meal

September 20 - donuts & pierogies

September 27 - donuts

October 4 - pierogies

October 25 - donuts & pierogis

Other Events

ART BIS FORMATION - invites all to Polish Culture Centre at 4300 Cawthra Rd. on Sunday, May 31st at 4:00pm for the Music Program "Majowe Bzy". Tickets \$35.00 can be purchased at the parish hall or Polish Culture Centre 905 306-9900 or Basia at 905 625-6359 or Kazia 905 238-1938

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE AND MEXICO SHRINES PILGRIMAGE & ACAPULCO with Fr. Tomasz Koscinski – July 23rd - August 3rd Info: Polimex Travel Inc. 905 238-6683 (ask for Mira) or at www.polimex.com

QUEBEC SHRINES PILGRIMAGE WITH OBLATE FATHERS to St. Anne de Beaupre, Quebec & Our Lady of Cape Shrine (Cap-de-la-Madeline) & St. Joseph Oratory. Cost: \$350 Pilgrimage will be held from Sept. 18th-20th. Info & sign up: Teresa 905 495-7035 or Wieslawa 416 799-2122

Weddings



The following couples are planning to be married:

Anna Monika Murawska daughter of Renata & Zbigniew

Trifon Antonov Tonev son of Zlatka & Anton

Malgorzata Sulek daughter of Anna & Zygmunt Arthur Gregory Kolodziejczyk son of Urszula & Tadeusz

Barbara Wioletta Masiarek daughter of Albina & Kazimierz

Robert Frankiewicz son of Anna & Henryk

We wish them all God's blessing.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, May 18th

8:00 ✚ Genowefa & Eugeniusz Szyjanowicz & Feliks Wiszniewski - family

19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for children & grandchildren & mother - Maria ✚ Vincent Pogor - family

TUESDAY, May 19th

8:00 ✚ Joseph & Paulina & Edward & Iris Chmiel & Fred Philchuk - family

19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for granddaughter Wiktoria & grandson Lukasz – grandmother ✚ Fr. Teofil Szendzielarz, OMI

WEDNESDAY, May 20th

8:00 ✚ Anna & Leon Kulik - son Special intention for God's blessings for grandchildren Norbert & Emilia on their birthday

19:00 Group Intentions

THURSDAY, May 21st

8:00 Special intention for God's blessings and for health for grandchildren - grandmother

19:00 ✚ Teodozja & Franciszek Wlodarczyk – granddaughter & family

Special intention for God's blessings for Gabriel – great-granddaughter

FRIDAY, May 22nd

8:00 ✚ Barbara Sosonowski (2nd anniv.) – daughters & their families

19:00 In intention of Catechists & Children ✚ all deceased from Zajkowski & Szorc & Miastkowski & Dzierzanowski Families

SATURDAY, May 23rd

8:00 ✚ Bronislawa & Stanislaw Kucharski & Katarzyna & Marcin Kaczmarczyk – granddaughter & family

12:30 Wedding: Magdalena Czarniewska & Szymon Walczak

14:00 Wedding: Alicia-Jane Sobura & Michael Ferreira

17:00 ✚ Mirosława & Andrzej Korbien & all deceased from Korbien Family

19:00 ✚ Mikolaj Tchir (2nd anniv.) & Antonina & Julian Duch – children & their families

SUNDAY, May 24th Pentecost Sunday

8:00 ✚ Aleksandra & Wladyslaw Rydzewski - daughter & family

9:30 ✚ Roman Vilkas (8th anniv.) - wife

11:00 FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS

13:00 ✚ Eugeniusz Grudzinski (2nd anniv.) - wife

14:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Robert & his family

19:00 ✚ Stanislaw & Maria Guzik – son & family

CARASSAUGA 2015 EXPERIENCE THE WORLD FESTIVAL OF CULTURE May 22nd & 23rd & 24th The Polish Pavilion will be held at Tomken Arena Info: Janina 905 542-1237 or 905 615-3010