### Today



The feast of All Saints is an occasion to remember and honour the women and men, known and unknown, who lived courageous lives with an unwavering faith in Jesus Christ. I tend to regard the saints as a

distinct group of individuals chosen by God: part of the "great multitude," a people set apart. So when I read a statement by Mother Teresa that "to be a saint. you have to seriously want to be one," I was taken aback. I felt an invitation, even encouragement, to reflect on what I had chosen - in my life, with my life. I have come to learn that these women and men struggled with their sinfulness, failures and life's disappointments. In their relationship with God, they were prone to doubts, confusion, selfishness and even anger. In other words, they were very much like us. Yet, despite their limitations and imperfections, they never gave up on saying "yes" to Christ. They continued to say "no" to worldly values and concerns. The saints, it seems, would not serve two masters. They strove to be faithful to the kind of life the Beatitudes urge us to live - even to death. The saints' lives reveal that each of us is being called to live our life as a child of God, caring for peace, reconciliation and the poor. What will our response be to God's invitation?

Julie Cachia, Toronto ON

First reading: Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14
Responsorial Psalm: Lord, this is the company of those who seek your face.
Second Reading: 1 John 3.1-3
Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12a

Rose # 24 will lead the rosary this week.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS** will be served by **Catechists** today for the parish needs.

Due to the increase of prices of certain products, there is an increase of prices of donuts (\$1.00), buns (\$1.50), rurka (\$1.75).



## PIEROGIES FROM SUPREME PIEROGIES will be sold today in the parish hall by

Youth heading to WYD 2016.

We are warmly invited for pierogis: cabbage & mushrooms, fruits (strawberry or blue berries), potato & onions, potato & cheddar cheese, sweet cheese, cottage cheese,

meat and more. Cost: \$3.00 or for 5kg (165 pierogis) - \$25.00

You make your purchase at the youth table in the parish hall and pick up your pierogis from the car at the parking lot.

#### **OMI Jubilee Testimonies**

On the occasion of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate we invite you to submit a short testimony of how the ministry of the Missionary Oblates influenced your life.

Length no more than 500 words, **deadline February** 17<sup>th</sup> 2016. Testimonies may be submitted by e-mail to secretary@omiap.org. (documents saved as docx, doc or pdf files) or by mail to 200 Years of OMI, 71 Indian Trail, Toronto, On. M6R 2A1.

If you wish to participate in a prize draw, complete contact info: address, telephone & e-mail (optional) must be included in top right hand corner of submission. Draw will be May 21, 2016.

Selected testimonies will be featured in Jubilee Book and on Oblate website.

# All Saints

## THANK YOU & GOD BLESS



Dear Parishioners.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all those who supported the Family of Faith Campaign through their generous donations. Your offering will support numerous goals, such as the renovation of St. Michael's Cathedral and the preservation of historic churches, while ensuring chaplains in hospitals and universities. We also give thanks to Cardinal Thomas Collins, the Parish Pastoral Council and our volunteers.

We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to the Parish Pastoral Council for preparing last Sunday's presentation, and to Dr. Waldemar Paliga for giving witness to the importance of this campaign. Moreover, we must highlight the dedication of our volunteers who have donated their time and energy in bringing this campaign to a successful conclusion: Gabriela and Michal Kasprzak, Agata and Wojtek Opala, Kristina and Staszek Reitmeier, Lilianna Juchniewicz, Sr. Karolina Szymkowiak, our parish fathers, Maryla Skibinski, Ania Olejniczak, Agata Molas, Jean Betkaluk, Roman Gryczynski, Bozena Sikorski, Jacek Pawlus and Wladyslaw Nowak. May God bless and reward you for your time, effort, work and dedication.

Next Sunday, we will publish all of our data, following the registration of all donations. We would also like to thank all those who were not able to donate funds but supported the initiative through prayer. We trust that this initiative was able to remind all of us that we are part of a beautiful community, not just as members of St. Maximilian Kolbe parish but as brothers and sisters of all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto. We are all brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, responsible for each other. Let this initiative bear fruit in the future in our homes, our parish and our diocese.

#### **ALL SAINTS BALL**

Our sincere gratitude goes also to all sponsors of our ALL SAINTS BALL for children from our parish: Eddie's European Meat & Deli Market, Janusz Szybalski from Royal Lepage, Janczura & Lukaszczyk Families, Kasia Czaplinska from Reality Executives, R. P. Electrical and Renovation INC., Maya Bee School, Polcomat Math School, Piascik Family, Marlena Foksa, Komfort Plumbing, , Leszek Kraska from Engine Rebuilding & Auto Services Ltd., Ania Swiader from Swiader Law Firm, Leszek & Ewa from Country Kitchen Restaurant, ORBIT Restaurant, Dr. Beata Sowinska & ABM Dental office, and Bartex Import Inc.

We would like to thank Mr. Jan Nicki and Leszek Bazyl for polishing the floor in the rectory. We recommend their services to everyone.

## From the Pulpit

**OFFERATORY ENVELOPES** – are available for all who wish to support our parish financially. Those who already have envelopes pick them up once a year, usually at the beginning of December. All who wish to receive envelopes are asked to contact the parish office at 905 848 2420. Offerings can be used as a tax write-off. Tax certification for every year is mailed to parishioners at the end of February.

A NINE MONTH NOVENA – has begun and its aim is to prepare all the faithful to celebrate the 1050<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Poland's Baptism, which will take place next year. Novena began on the first Sunday of July and will follow the theme of the Great Novena of Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski, which prepared Poland for the Millennium in 1966. The novena will be will be held in our parish every first Sunday of the month during morning liturgy. It will end on Easter Sunday 2016 by renewing baptismal vows.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – Campaign runs from September 23<sup>rd</sup> to November 1<sup>st</sup>. Kolbe Pro-Life Group would like to invite everyone for a Holy Mass ending the 40 Days for Life campaign on Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm at St. Catherine of Siena Church (2340 Hurontario Str. Mississauga). Please consider joining us today, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in praying during the last hour of this campaign at Mississauga Clinic (101 Queensway West, Mississauga). More info: http://40daysforlife.com/localcampaigns/mississauga/

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH - November 5<sup>th</sup> - Prayer for vocations at **6:30pm**.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH – Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> – VISITING THE SICK (by our parish Fathers). Please forward names to the parish office. Masses are at 8:00am, 10:00am and 7:00pm. Confession starts at 6:00pm.

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH-November 7<sup>th</sup> - Mass and First Saturday Service are at 8:00am.

CONCERT TICKETS - for SLASK SONG AND DANCE ENSEMBLE will be available during the weekend November 7/8 and will be distributed by our youth in the parish hall after all Masses, as well as in the parish office during the week. Concert will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Tickets \$45.00

The Parish Council is organizing a Christmas Concert of SLASK to begin the Year of Divine Mercy. There will only be two concerts in Canada. We would like to invite everyone to purchase tickets as a gift for family, friends and/or coworkers.

We ask all Polish businesses to hang up posters advertising the Christmas Concert of ZESPOL PIESNI I TANCA SLASK.





#### **† CANDLES †**

will be sold by Altar Servers in the parish hall.

Please support the group.

Candles may ONLY be lit by the statue of John Paul II No candles may be lit near the Missionary Cross or by the Divine Mercy monument.

Prayers for the Faithful Departed on the occasion of the Solemnity of All Saints Day and All Souls Day will be held at our local cemeteries to pray for our brothers and sister who have gone before us to the Lord.

> Prayers for the faithful departed will take place today -SUNDAY, November 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 at the following cemeteries:

At 2:00pm: Resurrection, Whitby (Mass)
At 2:30 pm: Meadowvale, Brampton
At 3:00 pm: Park Lawn, Toronto
Sanctuary, Toronto
Mount Hope, Toronto
Holy Cross, Toronto
Pine Hills, Scarborough
Christ the King, Scarborough
Thornton, Oshawa

Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge
At 4:00 pm: Assumption, Mississauga
St. John's, Mississauga
St. Mary's, Mississauga
Mount Peace, Mississauga

#### **† REMEMBRANCE ENVELOPES †**

For the departed will be displayed in the narthex of the church. After they have been filled out they can be placed in the box near the altar.

The envelopes will not be read out loud but will be placed near the altar.

#### In Short

JUBILEE 2000 CHOIR - We would like to invite all children to sing for Jesus. Meetings every Friday from 6:00-7:00pm in Br. Anthony Room. First meeting will be held on Friday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>. Info: Sr. Karolina

PRAYER GROUP – invites all on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-9:00pm for a meeting with Jesus at the Holy Sacrament. Formation conference will be led by Fr. Janusz Blazejak.

FR. DARIUSZ OKO – On November 8<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting Fr. Dariusz Oko, a professor from Poland. Fr. Dariusz will preach during all Polish Masses on Sunday and will lead a conference on Wednesday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm

**ROSES FOR LIFE** - will be distributed by the Knights of Columbus on **Sunday, November 8**<sup>th</sup>.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> Holy Mass and the exchange of the Mysteries of the Living Rosary will take place at **7:00pm** Mass. Meeting following the Mass in the John Paul II Cultural Centre at 8:00pm.

ORGAZNIZATION CRUSADE FOR LIBERATION – will be having the Retreat from November 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> in Melrose. Info: Danuta & Krzysztof Wojcik 905 272-3717

November is a time of prayer for our dearly departed.
On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Church celebrates All Souls Day. We recall those who have left for

Father's House: parents, siblings, relatives, friends, clergy, neighbours and all those who we encountered in our lives and to whom we owe a debt of gratitude. We pray for them and offer them up to God's Mercy. Beside our private prayers and Mass intentions, the Church has a tradition dating back to 993 that of Remembrance intentions.

Saint John Paul II taught that "Praying for the departed is an important duty because even if the deceased passed away in grace and in friendship with God, it is possible that they may still need a last purification to experience the joy of heaven." One such type of prayer is the Remembrance Intention

During the month of November the faithful can obtain a plenary indulgence for the Poor Souls in Purgatory, i.e., for a deceased loved one, to assist them on their way to heaven. To obtain an indulgence the faithful must:

1.Visit a church or public oratory on Nov  $2^{nd}$  and pray for the dead saying at least one Our Father and the Creed – OR – Visiting a cemetery between Nov  $1^{st}$  and Nov  $8^{th}$  and praying for the dead,

- 2. the faithful must receive the sacrament of confession, either eight days before or after the pious act is performed,
- 3. receive Holy Communion on that day
- 4. and recite prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father (one Our Father and one Hail Mary is the minimum, but any other additional prayers may be added).
- 5. All attachment to sin, even venial sin, must be absent. If one's disposition is less than perfect or if some of the above conditions are not fulfilled, the indulgence becomes partial

There will be a Mass celebrated every day in the intention of all those mentioned on the remembrance envelopes throughout the entire month of November at Provincial House.



#### WYD 2016

PERMAMENT BOTTLE
COLLECTION POINT IS PLACED BY THE
GARAGES
AT THE PARKING LOT.

All profits will support those participating in WYD 2016 in Poland. Up to the day our Youth raised \$8,200.00 from bottle collection. Below are the upcoming dates of meetings and

the names of the leaders of each one:

November 8 - "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit"

November 22 - Fr. Weisigeh Stongel OMI

November 22 – Fr. Wojciech Stangel, OMI December 6 – Mass at 7:00pm

& Praying Evening

December 20 – "True meaning of Christmas"

Foundering activities:

November 15 – donuts & hot meal November 29 – donuts & pierogis

December 13 – donuts & hot meal

December 20 – pierogis

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CATHOLIC FAMILY RADIO invites you to the 26<sup>th</sup>
International Festival of Religious Song, which will take
place on Nov.21-22, 2015 at John Paul II Polish Culture
Centre. Information: 416 588 0555 or
www.radiorodzina.com TICKETS - are available in the
parish office.

ZHP CANADA – invites all to their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball of ZHP Canada on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm at Polish Culture Centre. Displays, lottery, buffet and other surprises. Dinner by "ELA\_BIS" Catering. Music provided by GOSIA & JACEK. Tickets \$75.00 –Renata 905 601-3351 or Konrad 647 338-7004

ANDRZEJKI DANCE – Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm Music provided by "SONET". Dinner by Jan Gromada Tickets are \$50.00 - 905 306-9900

#### **Mass Intentions**

MONDAY, November 2<sup>nd</sup>
Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
All Souls' Day

8:00 † for all dearly departed & mentioned on envelopes 19:00 † for all dearly departed & mentioned on envelopes

TUESDAY, November 3rd

8:00 ♥ all suffering in purgatory

10:00 In intention of Senior Kolbe Club members

19:00 ♥ Stefan Pikula (14<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – son & family WEDNESDAY, November 4<sup>th</sup>

Saint Charles Borromeo

for mother Krystyna – children & grandchildren & great-grandchildren

19:00 Group Intentions

THURSDAY, November 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00 ♣ all suffering in purgatory

**19:00** ♣ Ewa Gdula (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.) & all deceased from Gdula & Defanski families

♥ all deceased from Stefanowski & Matacz families

FRIDAY, November 6th

U:00 T Janusz Szczesniewski – Jozef & Wendy

SATURDAY, November 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 Intention for Rosary Family and Knights of the Immaculate

17:00 P Sabina Ginko – Millie Hrytzak

19:00 ₱ parents & all deceased from Grzywalski & Dziegiel & Skop & Grabowski families

- Krystyna & family

9:30 \$\Psi\$ Stanislaw Guzdek & Szczepan Balon - family

11:00 Intention on the anniversary of the restitution of Poland's Independence – CPC

13:00 ♣ Bronislawa Fuksa – son & family

**14:30** ♥ all deceased from Mendela & Powalowski & Bogusz families - family

19:00 🕆 Pelagia & Kazimierz Janusz – son & family

## CATECHESIS REGISTRATION (FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION)

Enrollment for First Holy Communion and Confirmation classes is still possible in the parish office during office hours.

> For any question please contact Fr. Wojtek or Sr. Karolina