



Recent times have provided horrendous tragedies throughout the world: tsunamis, earthquakes, hurricanes, civil wars and other horrific events. Reading Daniel and then hearing Jesus speak about the end times, we do get the strong feeling that history has been, and constantly will be, plagued by what the prophet calls "a time of anguish" and Jesus calls "a time of suffering." Most of these signs are caused by nature and, however fearful they are, none should be considered as fateful or, even less so, as a punishment from God in anger. Nowadays we have been made sensitive to the fact that nature alone is not to blame. We too have our share of responsibility in the dramatic changes in nature and climate. We too are responsible or complicit in the mistrust between religions, races and countries that fuels conflicts. Nevertheless, both Daniel and Jesus emphasize not the dark side of human history but the bright side of God's saving plan. The end times lie in the hands of God who sends out the archangel Michael to protect his people when persecuted and, ultimately, Jesus, "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory." When contemplating the future of humankind, Christians are never to yield to fatality or fear. For do we not wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour?

Jean-Pierre Prevost Cheneville, QC

First reading: Daniel 12.1-3
Responsorial Psalm: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
Second Reading: Hebrews 10.11-14, 18
Gospel: Mark 13.24-32

Rose # 28 will lead the rosary this week.



COFFEE AND DONUTS will be served today by the **WYD Youth**.

HOT MEAL WILL BE SOLD BY WYD YOUTH TODAY AS WELL.

The entire profit will go to help our youth who will travel to Poland for WYD 2016.

EUROMAX – today there will be an opportunity to purchase Poznan's specialty: **St. Martin's Croissants**, prepared on an original recipe from Poznan. **20% from the profit will go to help our youth who will travel to Poland for WYD 2016.**

SLASK SONG CONCERT TICKETS - for **SLASK SONG AND DANCE ENSEMBLE** are available during this weekend and are distributed by our youth in the parish hall after all Masses, as well as in the parish office during the week (if any left). Concert will be held on **December 9th & 10th at 7:00pm at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church.** Tickets \$45.00

We would like to invite everyone to purchase tickets as a gift for family, friends and/or co-workers.

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION – will be taken for **Shepherd's Trust**. The Shepherd's Trust is an Archdiocesan retirement program that provides elderly and infirm priests with the financial support they require to lead a dignified life after their many years of service to us. **Offering can be used as a tax write-off.**

THANK YOU & GOD BLESS



Family of Faith

Dear Parishioners,

We would like to express our sincere thanks for the heartfelt gift that you have made for the Family of Faith Campaign led by the Archdiocese of Toronto. Your offering will support numerous worthwhile causes such as the renovations of St. Michael's Cathedral, the preservation of historic churches, while ensuring the continual presence of hospital and university chaplains.

It is thanks to your generous sacrifice that we have surpassed our parish goal. The archdiocese asked us for \$1.5M and you, our parishioners, have pledged \$2.5M. Over 1140 families have donated to the campaign, the highest number of pledges in the entire archdiocese. We are extremely proud that our Polish ethnic parish made such a significant contribution to the archdiocesan family of faith. St. Maximilian Kolbe ranked second in the archdiocese for the amount pledged. **We are especially grateful to those who supported this campaign through prayer.**

We trust that this initiative has reminded us about the beautiful community which we are continuously creating, not only as members of St. Maximilian Kolbe parish but also as members of the larger Catholic community within the Archdiocese of Toronto. Namely, that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ, co-responsible for the greater Good, which will produce bountiful fruits for our faith in our homes, our parish and the whole of the Catholic Church. **Thank you once again for your generosity and may God Bless you.**

Parish Council

Below, there are the biggest parishes and their goals and collections for Family of Faith Campaign:

	Goal:	Total:
St. Patrick's Parish, Markham	\$1,510,000	\$2,604,540 172%
St. Maximilian Kolbe, Mississauga	\$1,500,000	\$2,590,142 172%
St. Justin Martyr Parish, Unionville	\$945,000	\$2,214,975 234%
SSt. Agnes Kouying Tsao, Markham	\$490,000	\$2,083,184 425%
St. Blessed Sacrament Parish, Toronto	\$960,000	\$2,013,382 210%

We are looking for experts, who would volunteer to take care of the audio-visual equipment in our parish. Their responsibilities would consist of maintaining the equipment, preparing it prior to conferences, including recording such conferences, as well as other meetings and then publishing them on our YOUTUBE page. All those interested are asked to contact the parish office.

Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Antoni Monicki son of Anna & Dawid
- Violet Alexia Gwozdz daughter of Karolina & Tomasz
- Maja Maria Raczka daughter of Monika & Michal
- Adrian Borawski son of Elzbieta & Michal
- Robert Jacek Boland son of Malgorzata & William

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.

From the Pulpit

PRAYER EVENING IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZE –TODAY –November 15th 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.

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT WEEKEND – at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga, **November 20th - 22nd.** Theme: "Become an Icon of Jesus." Preached by the Centre Team. For more info or to register please call 905 278-5229.

PRESENTATION OF MARY - Nov. 21st The **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** is a liturgical feast celebrated by the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches. The feast is associated with an event recounted not in the New Testament, but in the apocryphal Infancy Narrative of James. According to that text, Mary's parents, Joachim and Anne, who had been childless, received a heavenly message that they would bear a child. In thanksgiving for the gift of their daughter, they brought her, when still a child, to the Temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her to God.

CHRIST THE KING - Sunday, Nov.22nd - Last Sunday in Ordinary Time.

MEETING FOR ROSARY SOCIETY LEADERS' will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 28th** following the evening Mass in the parish hall.

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.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY CATHOLIC COUNSELLING - The Catholic Family Counseling in our parish provides free help in dealing with marriage and family issues.

To schedule an appointment please sign up in a special book that is provided during the counselling time every Wednesday & Friday from 7:00pm -9:00pm.

Sometimes it may seem that our problems cannot be solved from our own perspective, but there is no impossible for God!!!

Calling ALL Mothers!

Mark your calendars for Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:30pm Meeting will be held in the parish hall. Our parish will be having a special visitor!

Dorothy Pilarski is author of *Motherhood Matters*, and the children's stories *Monica Loves Dresses & I Love You More than Pizza Pie*. She appears on Salt + Light TV and has been a columnist with the Catholic Register, radio host with Radio Maria & Radio Teopoli. Dorothy launched the popular *Dynamic Women of Faith* conference.

Dorothy will be giving a talk –

Raising Catholic Kids

Dorothy is looking for moms interested in belonging to an English speaking moms group at our parish. For more information visit www.CatholicMomsGroup.com

DIVINE MERCY YEAR

Pope Francis has announced that the 2016 liturgical year will be an Extraordinary Jubilee Year dedicated to the Divine Mercy. The year will begin on **December 8, 2015** with the opening of the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican, and will conclude on **November 20, 2016** with the liturgical solemnity of Christ the King, and the closing of the Holy Door. On that day, the Church will also be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council. This will be the first time in the history of jubilee years where Holy Doors—Gates of Mercy—will be opened in all dioceses, and especially in cathedrals and selected parishes, and in sanctuaries that have special significance for pilgrims. **In our parish, Divine Mercy Year will commence with a Solemn Mass on Sunday, December 6th at 11:00am. Mass will be led by Bp Wieslaw Krotki from Arctic.**

OMI JUBILEE TESTIMONIES

On the occasion of the 200th 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 17th 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.

SIGN OF PEACE

During the fall we tend to get sick. We ask that you pass the sign of peace by bowing your head if you have a cold.

ADVENT RETREAT in our parish will take place from **Sunday, December 13th to Wednesday, December 16th** and will be led by **Fr. Pawel Wyszowski, OMI** a missionary from Ukraine.



Fr. Pawel Wyszowski OMI was born in 1975 in the town of Bar in Ukraine. Since 1992, he is a member of the congregation of Oblates of Mary Immaculate. From 1993 to 1999 he studied at the Missionary Seminary in Odra (Poland) where he was ordained to priesthood. In 1999 he began his pastoral work as a missionary and a formator in Ukraine. From 2001 to 2003, he studied in Rome, where he obtained a bachelor degree and a doctorate in Theology.

From 2006 until January 30, 2012 he was the secretary of the Apostolic Nunciature in Ukraine. He is also the director of the Catholic Media Center in Kiev since March 7, 2005 and the press secretary of the Ukrainian Episcopate since November 24, 2012. Fr. Pawel published over 20 books. He was responsible for building of the new office of the Catholic Media Centre and is the initiator of establishing "Radio Maria" in Ukraine, a Catholic TV Programme, as well as other projects.

Fr. Pawel is a recipient of the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice award for his contributions to the Catholic Church.



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 \$8,900.00 from bottle collection.

Below are the upcoming dates of meetings and the names of the leaders of each one:

- November 22** – Fr. Wojciech Stangel, OMI
- December 6** – Mass at 7:00pm & Praying Evening
- December 20** – Bp Douglas Crosby OMI "True meaning of Christmas"

Fundraising activities:

- November 15** – donuts & hot meal
- November 29** – donuts & pierogis
- December 13** – donuts & hot meal
- December 20** – pierogis



CATHOLIC FAMILY RADIO invites you to the **26th 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 today in the parish hall and in the parish office during the week.

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

NEW YEAR'S DANCE – Thursday, December 31st – Cost \$130.00 Included in the cost of the ticket is a hot supper by Jan Gromada. Music provided by NON-STOP. Info & tickets: 905 306 9900

✠ 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.

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.

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.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, November 16th

- 8:00** ✠ Jan & Stanislaw Sosis & Michalina Maksymow & Anna Pyrzynska – Malgorzata & Agnieszka
- 19:00** ✠ all souls suffering in purgatory ✠ Halina Kosmowska (3rd anniv.) – niece & family

TUESDAY, November 17th

- Saint Elizabeth of Hungary**
- 8:00** ✠ Wladyslaw Gorowski & Stanislaw Wroblewski – wife Danuta
- 19:00** ✠ Dariusz Lisowski – wife & children ✠ Tomasz Ujda - mother

WEDNESDAY, November 18th

- 8:00** ✠ Wladyslaw Jankowski (3rd anniv.) - grandson ✠ Stanislaw Kielbasinski (3rd anniv.) – son & family
- 19:00** **Group Intentions**

THURSDAY, November 19th

- 8:00** Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Maksim on his 8th birthday
- 19:00** ✠ parents from Jachymiak & Zoltek families ✠ Maria & Jozef Saracyn & all deceased from Pawloski & Saracyn families

FRIDAY, November 20th

- 8:00** Special intention for God's blessings for Marcela & Marcin Kruk - mother
- 19:00** ✠ parents & siblings from Manuszak & Swiatek families - children ✠ Leszek Piatkowski – wife Janina & family

SATURDAY, November 21st

- The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- 8:00** Special intention for God's blessings for brothers Adam & Janusz - sister
- 17:00** ✠ Domingo Leus – Joan Militar
- 19:00** ✠ Pawel Milaniak – Jan & Helga Ambrozic Family

SUNDAY, November 22nd

- Christ the King**
- 8:00** ✠ Zenon Koczwaro (4th anniv.) - wife
- 9:30** ✠ John Bauer – wife & family
- 11:00** **FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS**
- 13:00** ✠ all deceased from Sak & Sliwak families
- 14:30** Special intention for God's blessings for Helena & Krzysztof on their wedding anniversary
- 19:00** ✠ Janina Dobosz (7th anniv.)

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