

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Imagine a father and teenage son who rarely speak. They are strangers living under the same roof. For years the father has tried to restore the relationship but the son is always cold, distant and non-responsive. The sad father longs for things to be the way they used to be. For some of us, unfortunately, our relationship with God is not so different. This is because we don't pray. Like the son, we sometimes ignore our heavenly father's calls to spend that quality time with him. Never giving up hope, the father again asks his son if he wants to play catch. Astonishingly, the son agrees. At first it is a bit awkward, but before long they are laughing and really connecting. Afterwards, the son says, "Dad, this was so much fun. We need to do this more often." Unbeknownst to him, his father is holding back tears. In today's gospel, Jesus invites us to connect (or reconnect) with our heavenly father through prayer. No matter how distant we have been or how far away we have turned, God will rejoice if we respond to his call to spend time with him. He knocks on the doors of our hearts every day and waits. Today is the time to let him in. Today is the time to pray!

Connor Brownrigg, Ottawa, Ontario

First reading: Genesis 18.20-32
Responsorial Psalm: On the day I called, O Lord, you answered me.
Second Reading: Colossians 2.12-14
Gospel: Luke 11.1-13

Rose # 5 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE & DONUTS will be sold today by **FRIENDS OF OBLATE MISSION.**

Next Sunday, July 31st we will be hosting **Archbishop Mieczyslaw Mokrzycki** in our parish.

Archbishop Mieczyslaw Mokrzycki is the current metropolitan archbishop of the archdiocese of Lviv, as well as the head of the Conference of the Roman-Catholic Episcopate in Ukraine.

He will celebrate Masses at 8:00am and 11:00am with homily during both.

The collections by the entrance of the church will be used to support the Catholic Church in Ukraine.

CHANGES IN THE BULLETIN - We ask the leaders of parish organizations to notify the parish office of any changes in the contacts names and phone numbers that appear on the outermost page of the bulletin. **Deadline - the end of August.**

Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Patrick Sokol son of Monika & Artur
 Matthew Gabriel Gaczol son of Anna & Daniel

Antoni David Dudek son of Joanna & David
 Julia Katarzyna Lachcik daughter of Karina & Wojciech

Julianna Janina Rajchel daughter of Malgorzata & Greg

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.



Weddings

The following couples are planning to be married:

Justyna Wlodarczyk daughter of Krystyna & Zbigniew

Stephen Bryan Guertin son of Gloria & Joseph

Barbara Cecylia Skorka daughter of Malgorzata & Wieslaw

Karol Kossakowski son of Urszula & Leszek

Margaret Malasinski daughter of Barbara & Wieslaw

Kamil Krzysztof Kubicki son of Malgorzata & Krzysztof

Natalia Magdalena Juzwiak daughter of Barbara & Jan

Jaroslaw Marcin Miskiewicz son of Jolanta & Stefan

We wish them all God's blessing.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CLASSES
 Preparations for the Sacrament of First Communion, as well as the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin in October 2016 after Thanksgiving Weekend.

Registration for these Sacraments will take place the week of September 12 to 16, 2016 from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the parish hall.

- For registration we ask to bring:
1. Completed registration form (available on website www.kolbe.ca)
 2. Copy of Child's Baptismal Certificate,
 3. Registration Fee: \$100

Date of First Communion 2017:
 May 13th at 4:00pm – English
 May 14th at 2:30pm – Polish
 May 21st at 2:30pm – Polish
Date of Confirmation 2017:
 Saturday, April 1st at 4:00pm

For more information please contact Fr. Wojtek and for the detailed calendar please visit our website.

From the Pulpit

CHURCH RENOVATIONS

We are slowly finishing the renovations in the parish kitchen, as well as the church. The big speakers in the sanctuary were moved and the wall was fixed and painted. In the last week, new carpet, as well as a new altar was installed. The new altar is made from the altar on which St. John Paul II celebrated the Holy Eucharist during the World Youth Days that took place in Toronto in 2002. It is an extraordinary gift as well as relics of Saint John Paul II that our parish received.

The main altar was completed by Mr. Jan Prymicz and finished, painted and installed by Mr. Wladyslaw Guzda of Flexwood.

We have a new baptismal font and in the next 10 days we will also have a new pulpit and ambo. This way the entire sanctuary has been changed. We are awaiting a new tabernacle, in the shape of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The entire renovation of the sanctuary was possible through Family of Faith founding.

We would like to thank for the help in removing the old carpet from the church this last Monday, as well as for cleaning the sanctuary.

We are very grateful for all the help.

WYD 2016



Our priests and youth arrived safely in Poland, and begin the WYD diocese days on Wednesday in Wroclaw. They will head to Krakow shortly, where they will meet young people from all over the world, as well as Pope Francis. The group consisting of 300 people is accompanied by Fr. Marcin Serwin, Fr. Tomasz Koscinski, Fr. Marcin Rosinski, Sr. Karolina, as well as Mr. Stanislaw Reitmeier.

Altar Servers are currently in Kaszuby, Ontario at a formation retreat, accompanied by Fr. Wojciech Stangel and some parents. We wish all of them a fruitful adventure.

We ask all parishioners to pray for our youth and Altar Servers that this may be a fruitful time for them, and they return home happy and healthy.

We also ask that the rosary said in the church be said in their intention until the end of the month. Pictures are available through Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Maximilian-Kolbe-Mississauga>

MASS ON THE OCCASION OF THE 21st ANNIVERSARY OF THE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be held on Sunday, August 14th at 7:00pm.
PARISH FEAST OF OUR PATRON ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE - August 21st at 11:00am
 Mass will be led by Abp Stanislaw Gadecki who serves currently as President of the Polish Episcopal Conference.

Pilgrimages

ANNUAL POLONIA PILGRIMAGE TO THE CANADIAN MARTYR'S SHRINE IN MIDLAND

will take place on Sunday, August 14th 2016.

This year's celebrant will be His Eminence Archbishop Stanislaw Gadecki from Poznan.

Bus tickets for pilgrimage to Midland are available through Rosary Family by contacting Wieslawa at 416 799-2122

GOLDEN ROSE APOSTOLATE invites all on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje. This pilgrimage will take place from September 26th to Oct. 5th, 2016. For more information, please contact Marzena at 647 284-1631



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN – November 15th – 25th 2016 A pilgrimage to the Holy Land under the spiritual direction of Fr. Wojciech Stangel. The itinerary includes: Haifa, Mount Carmel, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Nazareth and much more. **Info and sign up:** Polimex 905 238-6683 or www.polimex.com

PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALEPUE - Fr. Jozef Machaj is organizing a pilgrimage to Guadalupe from November 23rd - December 1, 2016, at the cost of \$1,950.00. For more information or to register, please contact Julia at 416 857-2377 or Halina 416 757-6841

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST in Mexico with Oblate Fathers December 9th - 14th
 Cost: \$1598.00 + taxes \$255.00
 Info & reservation 905 238-6683 (ask for Mira) or at www.polimex.com



Other Events

POLISH SUMMER CAMP-BRAWO – July 25th - 29th & August 2nd - 5th – Music & art workshops, sports & games at John Paul II Polish Culture Centre. Info: 647 317-4747 or www.BrawoMusical.com

XXXIV ANNUAL WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO THE CANADIAN MARTYR'S SHRINE IN MIDLAND will be held from Monday, August 8th to August 14th. The theme of the pilgrimage will be "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy." (Matthew 5:7). More info at www.pielgrzymka.ca

Please visit our website www.pielgrzymka.ca for more information or to register online.

Contact person: Jasiu 905 510-2034

Who can participate in the pilgrimage?

Anyone who has the strength and perseverance can participate in the pilgrimage. We do not, however, encourage elders, those who are sick, those with weak hearts or with very small children to participate. Youth up to 19 years of age may participate in the pilgrimage only after receiving writing permission from their parents or guardians.

What is there to do during the pilgrimage?

Each day is filled with: praying the rosary, conferences, testimonies of the leaders as well as the participants' of the pilgrimage, singing, and conversation. Attendance at morning Mass is mandatory. In the evening there is time for a bonfire, singing and fun, and sometimes even a soccer game.

What do I bring with me on the pilgrimage? Supplies:

- tent (it's better to share a tent with friends, there is little room on the farm fields and a lot of tents, we must make use of the space we have wisely)
- warm sleeping bag, blanket
- propane bottle, metal or plastic dishes and utensils, can opener
- water bottle
- cotton socks
- shirts with sleeves
- comfortable (not new!) shoes
- hat
- raincoat, poncho

Cosmetics:

- sunscreen with UV protection
- bathroom supplies
- toilet paper
- mosquito repellent-basic medicine (pain relievers, band aids, vitamins)



ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on

Wednesday, August 17th 2016 at 7:00pm.

Cemetery **Celebrants**

Assumption, Mississauga Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

Christ the King, Markham Rev. Msgr. Ambrose Sheehy

Holy Cross, Thornhill Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

Mount Hope, Toronto Rev. Msgr. Lawrence Bordonaro

Queen of Heaven, Wood. His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins

Resurrection, Whitby Msgr. Robert Nusca

St. Mary's, Barrie Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, July 25th Saint James

8:00 ✠ Kazimierz Przedpelski (12th anniv.) – wife & daughter & family

19:00 ✠ Krzysztof Kaczmarek – parents & family
 Special intention for God's blessings and for health for children & grandchildren - mother

TUESDAY, July 26th

Saint Anne and Saint Joachim

8:00 ✠ Anna Ozga – daughters

19:00 ✠ Bronislaw & Bronislawa Lis – daughters
 Special intention for God's blessings for Stefan on his 70th birthday – wife & sons & their families

WEDNESDAY, July 27th

8:00 ✠ Genowefa Kuznicka (anniv.) – daughter & family

✠ Aniela & Michal Proc – grandson & family

19:00 **Group Intentions**

THURSDAY, July 28th

8:00 ✠ Stanislaw Gawron – son & family

19:00 ✠ Stanislaw Stasicki – wife & children
 Special intention for God's blessings for Marek Jeziorski on his birthday

FRIDAY, July 29th Saint Martha

8:00 ✠ Stanislaw Kowalski – wife

19:00 Special intention for God's blessings and for health for children - parents
 ✠ Katarzyna & Pawel Pepkowski & Katarzyna Wladyslaw Niedziela – Niedziela family

SATURDAY, July 30th

8:00 ✠ Feliksa & Stanislaw Borwski & sisters & brothers - Mieczyslaw

14:00 **Wedding: Monika Patla & Rhys Solymar**

15:30 **Wedding: Anna Panasiewicz & Matthew Gilbert**

17:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Rozalia & Jozef

19:00 ✠ Franciszka Jaganow – son & family

SUNDAY, July 31st

8:00 ✠ Kazimierz Krawczyk (1st anniv.) – wife & daughter

9:30 ✠ Joseph & Paulina & Edward & Iris Chmiel & Fred Philchuk - family

11:00 **FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS**

13:00 ✠ Aleksandra & Julian Slawinski – son & his wife

14:30 ✠ Mikolaj Tchir & Julian Antonina Duch – children & family

19:00 ✠ Jozef & Eugeniusz Grabowski – daughter & family