

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Today's readings bring up a difficult question: is it possible for one who enjoys a life privilege to be a true Christian? I am reminded of the uncomfortable image of the camel trying to pass through the eye of the needle. Are good intentions enough? Amos

and Paul offer some valuable clues. The first reading sternly warns the rich and powerful against cheating and taking advantage of the poor in the pursuit of profit. The second reading reminds us that "kings and all who are in high positions" need our prayerful support in order to carry out their responsibilities to promote peace and dignity for all. The psalm, however, draws us deeper. We are told, "The Lord raises the poor from the dust...to make them sit with princes." In other words, God erases the artificial distinction between rich and poor, between the powerful and the needy. For the Christian, there can be no "us" and "them". "There is one God," says Paul, and so we are all members of the same family, the same body. As we work to promote justice, peace and equality in our world, we are called to embrace each person as our sister or brother. Though our circumstance may differ, we are all in need and we are all blessed.

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, Ontario

First reading: Amos 8.4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord who lifts up the needy.
Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2.1-7
Gospel: Luke 16.1-13

Rose # 14 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE & DONUTS will be sold today by Rodzinki of JPPII.

A new Coffee & Donuts schedule for 2017 is available in the parish office.

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION – will be taken for the building and renovation fund.

RECRUITMENT OF NEW ALTAR SERVERS CANDIDATES for the year 2016/2017 will take place on Sunday, following each Mass in the Sacristy.



CHANGE FOR LIFE 2016
Today, Pro-Life volunteers are collecting Change for Life Bottles. Thank you for your participation and your generosity. Your contribution will help save countless innocent lives now and in the future.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish is now on Facebook. We would like to remind all, that we post parish news and information, as well as many photos from parish life and events. We invite you to visit and like our page: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Maximilian-Kolbe-Mississauga>



Baptisms

The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Violetta Krystyna Stencel daughter of Mariola & Adam
Natalia Aria Krzeminski daughter of Patricia & Kamil
Kacper Markowski son of Katarzyna & Jacek
Olivia Chmielewska daughter of Zaneta & Daniel

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.

Weddings



The following couples are planning to be married:

Anna Zofia Kijanka daughter of Ewa & Czeslaw
Radoslaw Jacek Jasik son of Halina & Jacenty
Victoria Ewa Walaszczuk daughter of Ewa & Dariusz
Domenic Commisso son of Teresa & Domenic

We wish them all God's blessing.

CHURCH RENOVATION

We have begun construction of the new church entrance by the missionary cross. The current entrance will be demolished, and a new, larger entrance will be built in its place to better suit our needs. It is the most-used entrance to our church. During construction, this entrance will be inaccessible for a few weeks. Please enter the church through the entrance by the chapel or parish hall as well as the main entrance or the entrance faced John Paul II Culture Centre. The work will be done by Kemic Construction, the company that also constructed our new Catechetical Centre.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – The *40 Days for Life Campaign* is a special campaign aimed at saving innocent lives through three main components: prayer, fasting and a peaceful vigil at a local abortion clinic. In our community a peaceful prayer vigil will be held outside the *Mississauga Woman's Clinic* at 101 Queensway Blvd W. at Confederation Pkwy. Campaign runs from **September 28th to November 6th**. Please consider joining us daily from 8am to 8pm in praying for the vulnerable unborn members of our society. Sign up-today in the parish hall. For more information or to volunteer please see our website <http://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/mississauga/> An opening Mass will take place at St. Joseph Parish in Mississauga on Sunday, September 25th at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

LIFE CHAIN – You are invited to Life Chain on Sunday, October 2nd from 2:00-3:00pm. Our parish will meet up at Dundas & Cliff Rd. (S/W corner).

From the Pulpit

RESERVATIONS FOR MASS INTENTIONS for 2017 will start on Wednesday, September 21st from 9:00am-9:00pm in the parish hall. We would like to remind everyone that there is a limit of three Mass intentions from each family for the entire year (one on Sunday and two during the week).

NEXT SUNDAY SECOND COLLECTION – on September 25th second collection will be taken for the Needs of the Canadian Church.

ST. JOHN PAUL II FAMILIES – will have their meeting on Sunday, September 25th at 2:30pm in St. Maximilian Room.

WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND - A get-together for all participants of the 34th Walking Pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland will take place on Sunday, September 25th, at 4 p.m. in the parish hall. Please bring a small plate of finger foods to share with others.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS "MEMBERSHIP DRIVE" – Sunday, September 25th - in the parish hall. The Knights of Columbus invite also for coffee and donuts on Sunday, Sept 25th and for their Autumn Dance on Saturday, October 15th.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE – The next marriage preparation course in English is being offered at our parish from October 17th to November 21st 2016. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00-10:00pm. The course consists of 6 sessions, held once a week. The cost is \$100. Sign-up - parish office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE FOR SECOND UNIONS – couples should attend a specialized marriage preparation offered by the Catholic Family Services. Information/registrations call: 416 921-1163

RCIA - is a preparation program for adults (19+) who wish to fully take part in the life of the Catholic Church, or to be baptized. The classes will start in the month of October. Adults wishing to be confirmed only may partake in a special program that begins in the season of Lent. Sign up-parish office.

YOUTH GROUPS - Thursday Group (high school students up to 18 years old) meets every Thursday at 8:00pm in St. Maximilian Room (new Catechetical Center). **Friday Group** (19 - 30 years old youth) invites for meetings on Friday at 8:00pm in St. Maximilian Room (new Catechetical Centre).

JUBILEUSZ2000 CHOIR – Sr. Karolina invites all children to sing for Jesus. Meetings every Friday from 6:00-7:00pm in Br. Anthony Room. For more info: jubileusz2000kolbe@gmail.com

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga for the weekend of October 21st – 23rd. The theme for this retreat will be The Road to God is Mercy, preached by the Centre Team. For more info please call 905 278-5229

DIVINE MERCY CONGRESS 2016

Friday, Sept. 30th
St. Maximilian Kolbe Church
October 1st & October 2nd
St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish, Brampton
Info: 905 452-MAMI(6264)
www.oblateworldmissions.org
director@oblateworldmissions.org

Detailed programme and information can be found in the fliers.

The "Banquet of Mercy" within the Divine Mercy Congress in Canada.

Everyone is invited to attend "The Banquet of Mercy" within the Divine Mercy Congress in Canada on Sunday, October 2nd at 4:30pm. The banquet will take place at the Millennium Gardens Banquet Centre in Brampton.

All proceeds from the Banquet are designated to support the widows and Children of the fisherman who died in the ocean in Madagascar.

Included in the price of the ticket: dinner with wine as well as 2 hour concert performed by two young artists; Pawel Szczepanek and Anna Leszowska – graduates of the Kinga Mitrowska Performing Art School, as well as the "Non Stop" ensemble. We will also see a documentary presenting the life difficulties and needs of the People of the sea in Madagascar.

Tickets and more information available:
[905-452-6262](tel:905-452-6262)

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION & GOOD SHEPHERD CLASSES

Preparations for the Sacrament of First Communion, as well as the Sacrament of Confirmation and Good Shepherd Program will begin in October 2016 after Thanksgiving Weekend.

For all who missed an opportunity to register their child, the registration for the Sacraments & Good Shepherd Program is still possible in the office.

For registration we ask to bring:

1. Completed registration form (available on website www.kolbe.ca)
2. Copy of Child's Baptismal Certificate (that includes also children baptized in our parish),
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.

As the summer - vacation period slowly comes to an end; we begin to return to our regular routines and schedules:

REMINDER – FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - we are an ethnic parish community. Our members are those who are formally registered. New registration forms (blue) as well as change of address forms (green) can be found in the narthex of the church. The forms can be deposited in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. Please inform us of any change of address or contact tel. number.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS – The parish office hours are: Monday - closed, Tuesday & Thursday & Friday - 9:00 - 5:00 pm, Wednesday - 9:00 - 9:00 pm, and Saturday - 9:00-12:00 pm. Please note that the office is closed during breaks from 12:00-1:00 pm daily and from 5:00-6:00 pm on Wednesdays. **Additionally office is closed on Saturday before long weekend.**

MARRIAGE – Couples intending to be married in the Church should make arrangements with the priest one year before the intended wedding date. Completion of a marriage preparation course is obligatory for all couples. The same procedure applies to parishioners wishing to be married outside of Canada. Members who plan to be married in another parish should contact a parish priest to obtain special permission.

PARISH BULLETIN – is printed every week and informs parishioners of important parish news and events. Please forward any parish organization-related announcements to the parish office by Friday. The next bulletin is ready on Monday. Unchangeable information relating to our parish is found on the outermost page of the bulletin. We ask that you use the Parish Bulletin when accessing information.

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 in October. Offerings can be used as a tax write-off. Tax certification for every year is mailed to parishioners at the end of February.

Other Events

ANNOUNCING A NEWLY ESTABLISHED CATHOLIC HOME SCHOOL – running at JPPII Culture Centre at 4300 Cawthra Rd. Mississauga. Those interested please contact Dominika 647 739-5565 or Ula 416 829-3280

THE 25th ANNIVERSARY RADOSC-JOY DANCE – Saturday, October 1st at 7:00pm at John Paul II Polish Culture Centre. Dinner by Master Chef Jan Gromada & Music provided by NON STOP.

CATHOLIC FAMILY RADIO invites you on Sunday, October 23rd at 3:30pm & 7:00pm to Concert - Oratorio "Because of my Name"; lyrics by Zbigniew Ksiazek, music by Piotr Rubik. This monumental work is dedicated to people who are persecuted in many different parts of the world because of their faith. It gives voice to those who became silent because they lost their lives. This magnificent work was composed for soloists, choir and symphony orchestra. The premiere took place in Krakow, Poland during World Youth Day 2016. Concert will take place at Living Art Centre in Mississauga. Tickets are available at Catholic Family Radio 416 588-0555 or www.radiorodzina.com or at Living Art Centre 905 306-6000 or 1888-805-8888

Pilgrimages

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



PILGRIMAGE TO MEXICO & OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SHRINE in Mexico with Fr. Wojciech Blach from St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish – November 19th – December 1st Cost: \$2700 + airport taxes (approx. \$150) Info & reservation Westend Travel 905 949-0345

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, September 19th

- 8:00 ✚ Wladyslaw & Maria Szymczak (25th anniv.) – son & family
19:00 ✚ Tadeusz Bratkowski (9th anniv.)
✚ Maria Krawczycka (14th anniv.)

TUESDAY, September 20th

- Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon,
Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions
8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Janina & Jan Kowalczuk on their 35th wedding anniversary
19:00 ✚ all deceased from Howe & Abundes families – Monica
Special intention for God's blessings for Dominika & Nelson Riquelme on their 4th wedding anniversary

WEDNESDAY, September 21st

- Saint Matthew
8:00 ✚ Franciszek Rabianski – wife & children
Special intention for God's blessings and for health for children – parents

19:00 Group Intentions

THURSDAY, September 22nd

- 8:00 ✚ Bronislaw Ryszka (5th anniv.) – sister
19:00 ✚ Wladyslaw & Helena Rebizak – Helena Rebizak ✚ all deceased from Baran & Betlej families

FRIDAY, September 23rd

- Saint Pius of Pietrelcina
8:00 ✚ Jozef Baczynski – son
19:00 ✚ Jerzy & Karol Rogowski & Jan & Helena Gryglik – family
Special intention for God's blessings for Monika – parents
In intention of Altar Servers and their parents and families

SATURDAY, September 24th

- 8:00 ✚ Romuald Szymkowiak (20th anniv.) - daughter
15:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Beata & Tomasz Jaworski on their 25th wedding anniversary
17:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Beata & Stefan on their 15th wedding anniversary

19:00 ✚ Jacek Mytnik (1st anniv.) - parents

SUNDAY, September 25th

- 8:00 ✚ Stanislaw Tkaczuk & Stefania & Aleksandra Bartkowiak - family
9:30 ✚ John Bauer - Rak family
11:00 In intention of all younger & older Scouts in a new school year
13:00 ✚ Otaia & Franciszek & Jozef & Adam Ratowski & Leokadia & Eugeniusz Kanigowski
14:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Agnieszka & Marek Rafacz on their 10th wedding anniversary - mother
19:00 ✚ Miroslaw Kamieniecki - family