

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ



People have mixed feelings about kings and queens these days. Modern monarchs usually enjoy privileged lives and are far wealthier than their subjects. Because they are often figureheads, they may seem irrelevant to us, as if they are from another world. But in Jesus' day, the king was all-important. He had great authority over the people's lives and commanded deep respect. He held the power and he was anointed, the chosen one. Those who followed Jesus saw him as their king, yet others protested this use of the term. Even as he hung on the cross, the debt continued. The religious leaders and soldiers scoffed at him and mocked him. One of the criminals crucified with him derided Jesus. But the other criminal got the last word. He spoke from the heart, in faith and humility: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." This refrain is often sung during the Triduum, when we recall Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. And today, as we celebrate Christ the King, these words of faith and hope and trust echo in our hearts once again. This king is not about power or wealth. This king is "the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation." For Christians, what could be more relevant?

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First reading: 2 Samuel 5.1-3
Responsorial Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
Second Reading: Colossians 1.12-20
Gospel: Luke 23.35-43

Rose # 20 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE & DONUTS will be sold today by **Rodzinki of St. John Paul II.**

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION - will be taken for the John Paul II Foundation whose executive director is Father Krzysztof Wieliczko. The existence of the foundation can only be possible through the support of generosity people from around the world.

CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS for the youth preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held today - **Sunday, November 20th at 9:30am Mass.**

CHRISTMAS CARDS (Polish & English) & BLESSED CHRISTMAS WAFERS (OPŁATEK) & PARISH CALENDAR 2017 are available in the parish hall and are sold by the Rosary Family.

Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Natalie Mydel daughter of Katarzyna & Rafal
Mila Bronislawa Kulpa daughter of Kamila & Emilian
Ariana Maria Burda daughter of Agata & Marcin
Amelia Kaluzny daughter of Anna & Jaroslaw
Alexander Krajewski son of Daria & Damian

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.



Weddings

The following couple is planning to be married:

Agnieszka Kmiec daughter of Bronislawa & Jozef
Andrzej Piotr Kasperski son of Stanislaw & Piotr

We wish them all God's blessing.



The John Paul II Foundation was established by a Papal Decree on October 16, 1981 as a religious, educational, charitable and non-profit organization. Its official seat is located at the Vatican. The Foundation owns a building in Rome at 1200 via Cassia where the secretarial offices are located. The main goals of the Foundation include:

- preservation and development of Christian heritage and culture;
- collection and preservation of documents and propagation of the teachings of Pope John Paul II;
- assistance to Christian pilgrims on visits to the Holy See, particularly pilgrims from Poland and Eastern countries;
- providing educational assistance and scholarships to young intellectuals from Eastern countries to study at the Catholic University in Lublin, Poland.



Today the Church celebrates the final celebration in this liturgical year, Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yesterday, November 19th on the occasion of the closing of the JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY and the Jubilee of 1050th anniversary of Poland's Baptism the Polish Episcopate announced the Act of acceptance of Jesus Christ as King and Lord.

Today, at 11:00am Mass, our Pastor, Fr. Janusz Blazejak will read the Act of Acceptance of Jesus as King and our Lord and will offer our Parish and Polish community to Jesus.

Today, we celebrate the end of the extraordinary year of Divine Mercy in the Catholic Church.

It was a time of grace and mercy for each and every one of us. How did you celebrate this special time? Have you visited the Chapel of Divine Mercy and walked through the Holy Door?

We thank God for the grace of the gate of mercy in our parish and especially Cardinal Maurus Placenza for provided our parish with such a wonderful spiritual gift.

We also would like to thank Fr. Krzysztof Wieliczko, executive director of John Paul II Foundation in Rome for leading the Triduum ending the year of Divine Mercy.

Special thanks go to Fr. Jacek Cydzik from Radio Maryja for leading the day of an Extra-Ordinary Penance and all the help in the confessionals.

CLOSING THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY SOLEMN MASS will be held today, **Sunday, November 20th at 11:00am (in Polish).**

From the Pulpit

CHURCH RENOVATION

We are in the last phase of the construction of the new church entrance. It is expected to be completed in the next few weeks. We are already able to use this entrance during the weekends.

The entire project will cost \$300,000.00. The parish is counting on your help and support. We would be incredibly grateful if each family could donate \$50.00 towards this cause, however we greatly appreciate each and every gift. Collection for the project was \$78,741.00 and 1464 families supported the enterprise with their donations. We thank all parishioners for their understanding and generosity. God Bless!

CHURCH RENOVATION – This past year we had a lot of church renovations and new equipment replacements. Along with many changes the entire sanctuary was renovated. Additionally, the church sound system was replaced. The old one was installed at the time when Fr. Stanislaw Bak was the pastor. The new sound system was installed by **RDUCH Company from Poland**. This company is very famous from their spectacular work for the church sound systems. The last step is to replace the sound system in the parish hall downstairs. It is planned for the beginning of the next year.

OFFERATORY ENVELOPES FOR CURRENT & NEW USERS FOR 2017 – will be displayed in the parish hall in alphabetically order according to the family name **from Sunday, November 27th**. All users of the envelopes are asked to write their name, last name and address on the first "beginning offertory" envelope in order to match the envelope number with the family name signed for it.

MASS INTENTIONS & GREGORIAN MASS SERIES – All those who did not get a chance to reserve individual Mass intentions in our parish can still book Mass intentions **in our parish office**. Those extra Masses will be celebrated at **Provincial House or at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre** or by Fr. Marcin Rosinski.

ADVENT TIME

Advent is a season of joyful hope and a time of preparation and waiting. **On Sunday, November 27th we begin the Advent Season and therefore a new liturgical year.** A time of an advent gives us also a great opportunity to prepare to fully experience the Birth of Jesus.

The *Rorate Caeli* Masses are an excellent way to prepare for the time of Christmas. These Masses honor Mary for accepting the news of the angel Gabriel, and becoming the Mother of God. We prepared a special program, similar to last year, of *Rorate Caeli* Masses for children.

In Short

HOLY NAME OF MARY SCHOOL Grade 9 information evening – Wednesday, Nov. 23rd from 7:00pm – 9:00pm Info: 905 891-1890 or www.hnmcs.ca

MARRIED COUPLES – are invited for a meeting with Cardinal Thomas Collins on Sunday, November 27th at 4:00pm at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE KNIGHTS OF MARY IMMACULATE - Acceptance of the new members of the Knights of the Mary Immaculate will take place on **Thursday, December 8th** during the evening Mass. Sign up Teresa Watroba 905 495-7035

ADVENT RETREAT

in our parish will take place from **Sunday, December 11th to Wednesday, Dec.14th** and will be led by Fr. Adam Filas, OMI.

OPLATEK FOR THE ROSARY FAMILY will take place on **Friday, December 30th 2016 at 4:00pm**. Tickets will be available on first Sunday of December.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF APPARITIONS OUR LADY OF FATIMA

On May 13, 2017, we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the appearance of Blessed Virgin Mary to three young Portuguese shepherds in Fatima, Portugal. We believe that the celebrations taking place in Fatima will be a time of special blessings. We also believe that in accordance with the message of Blessed Virgin Mary, we are invited to participate in the fulfillment of the promises from Fatima. We want to get ready for this celebration through prayer, which will be a prayer for God's presence, a time of dedication to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as well as a time of sacrifice in our daily lives so that we can be closer to Her Pure Heart. It will be a time of opening of the heavens for the sinners. It will be a time of dedication to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which is the best way to God according to Jesus. It will also be a time of deepening our knowledge of our Mother in order to get closer to the Saviour, who said that he wishes that Mary is more known and loved.

We are getting ready to the 100th anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions. We believe that the celebrations in Fatima will be a time of special grace. We want to get ready for this event through prayer.

We invite everyone for the Fatima Prayers in our parish on every 13th day of the month. **NEXT FATIMA DEVOTION TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th.**



ANDRZEJKI DANCE – Saturday, November 26th at 7:00pm Music provided by "NON STOP". Dinner by Jan Gromada Tickets \$50.00 are available at Polish Culture Centre 905 306-9900

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>

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, November 21st

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 ☩ Czeslawa Zaremba - daughter

19:00 ☩ Leszek Piatkowski - wife

☩ Tomasz Ujda - mother

TUESDAY, November 22nd

Saint Cecilia

8:00 ☩ Jozefa Hnatyk (6th anniv.) – daughter & family

19:00 ☩ Janina Dobosz (7th anniv.)

☩ Wacław & Stefania & Jozef Papuga

WEDNESDAY, November 23rd

8:00 ☩ Stanislaw Markowski (2nd anniv.) – wife & son

☩ Zygfryd & Elzbieta - son & family

19:00 Group Intentions

THURSDAY, November 24th

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

8:00 ☩ Lucyna Kedziak (14th anniv.) –daughter & family

19:00 ☩ Jozef Chmielewski (6th anniv.) – Barbara

☩ Slawomir & Tomasz Felendzer & all deceased from Leja & Iwanek & Trapszo & Kubiak families - family

FRIDAY, November 25th

8:00 ☩ Jerzy Sawicki (3rd anniv.) – daughters Iwona & Edyta

19:00 ☩ Stanislaw Sajewski (1st anniv.)

☩ Teresa & Jan Hul – daughter & family

SATURDAY, November 26th

8:00 ☩ Aniela & Piotr Kmietek – grandchildren

12:30 Wedding: Anastasia Skouridina

& Krzysztof Zieba

14:00 Wedding: Katina Deichsel

& Mauro Sebastian Vera Buitron

17:00 ☩ Janina Wos – daughter & family

19:00 ☩ Henryka Bednarczyk (7th anniv.) - husband

SUNDAY, November 27th

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 ☩ parents Jan & Helena Wnuk – daughter & family

9:30 ☩ Stanislaw Michalski (6th anniv.) – daughter & family

11:00 FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS

13:00 ☩ all deceased from Owcarz & Kampa families - family

14:30 ☩ all deceased from Chyjek & Lewczuk & Baran & Kozak families - family

19:00 ☩ Aniela & Antoni Chmiel & Janina Dobosz

