

Third Sunday of Advent



Baptism



The following child will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Camilla Leigh Marszalek daughter of Chantal & Michal

We welcome Camilla and congratulate her parents and godparents.

THANK YOU FOR ALL GIFTS FROM THE HEART DONATED LAST SUNDAY

- ◀ Non-perishable food for the Mississauga Food Bank (over 1,000 kg of food)
- ◀ all donations to sponsor "Royal Packages" for children from an orphanage in Poland
- ◀ diapers to help Sisters of Life, whose mission is to help mothers with small children (more than 10,000 diapers were already delivered to Toronto by our Youth)
- ◀ special donation offered by Consul General, Grzegorz Morawski and Altar Servers from our parish

Christmas gifts for the children from five orphanages in Poland were already ordered and will be delivered to children between December 12th and December 15th as a gift from St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish.

We also would like to thank the Holy Rosary Family, as well as the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring St. Nicolas gifts for children from our parish. More than 350 children received gifts during the Mass visited by St. Nicolas.



THANK YOU & GOD BLESS

ADVENT RETREAT

Advent is a time during which we participate in Advent Retreats in our parishes and a time when we have a great opportunity to prepare to fully experience the Birth of Jesus.

It is worth asking at the beginning of Advent what we can do to wisely use the Retreat time given to us.

Today we begin our Advent Retreat in Polish and we would like to welcome Fr. Adam Filas, OMI a MAMI Director who will preach our Advent Retreat from Sunday, December 11th to Wednesday, Dec. 14th

The program is as follows:
Sunday, December 11th

Retreat message intended for all during Polish Masses as well as 9:30am Mass in English
Monday, December 12th

10:00am Mass and message intended for all
7:00pm Mass and message intended for all
Tuesday, December 13th

10:00am Mass and message intended for the elderly and Sacrament of the sick

7:00pm Mass and message intended for all
8:00pm Fatima Devotion
Wednesday, December 14th

10:00am Mass and message intended for all
7:00 pm Mass and message intended for all & Conclusion of Retreat

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

In both languages will be held: in our parish on Monday, Dec. 19th at 7:00pm and Wednesday, December 21st at 7:00pm. We remind everyone that penitential service is also held a half hour before every Mass.

ANNUAL CLEANING OF THE CHURCH - before Christmas will be on Tuesday, Dec. 20th from 6:00pm. All volunteers are welcome!

GROUP MASS INTENTION

Due to Christmas Season there will be no Group Mass intentions on Wednesday, December 14th and 21st. All offered intentions will be read on Wednesday, December 28th

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

is available in a special envelope by the entrance to the church, as well as in the main hall. Please pick up one!



From the Pulpit

OFFERATORY ENVELOPES FOR CURRENT & NEW USERS FOR 2017 – are displayed in the parish hall in alphabetically order according to the family name. 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.

RODZINY OF JOHN PAUL II – meeting will be held today, December 11th at 2:30pm in Fr. Bak Room (new catechetical Centre).

PRAYER EVENING IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZE led by Adoremus Prayer Group - December 17th from 8:00pm - 9:00pm in the church (following the evening Mass). We pray singing Taize songs, listen to a formation talk on selected themes in spirituality, do a guided meditation on the Gospel and allow some time for private prayer in silence around the icon of the cross.

ANNIVERSARY MASS – December 25th at 11:00am for couples celebrating their wedding anniversary. Please forward the names to the parish office at 905 848-2420.

OPLATEK FOR THE ROSARY FAMILY will take place on Friday, December 30th 2016 at 4:00pm. Tickets \$10.00 each are available today in the parish hall. Due to the New Year First Sunday the next Exchange of Mysteries will take place on Second Sunday, January 8th 2017.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH – The next Exchange of Mysteries of the Living Rosary for the English groups will take place on Sunday, January 8th 2017, after which the Rosary Group shares the Christmas Wafer (OPLATEK), in the parish hall at 10:30am. All are welcome!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE - The next course will be held from Feb. 20th - March 23rd 2017. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00pm to 10:00pm, for a total of 6 classes. 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

In Short

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – December 13th - 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

WIGILIA – Polish Congress as well as Association of Polish Combatants and Association of Ladies of Hope invite all the lonely to a Christmas Vigil on Saturday, December 24th at 6:00pm at the SPK Centre, 206 Beverley Street. Fee of \$30.00 per person in cash to be paid until December 16th at Piast Travel, Toronto 416 531 8786 or 416 533 5526 or in Mississauga at 905 270 2600 or 905 277 5200. Info: Bartłomiej 416 533-5526 or Krystyna 416 763-0296



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.

Our parish is organizing a pilgrimage to Fatima, as well as other holy places in Portugal and Spain in May of 2017. It is currently sold out. Due to such high interest, we will organize a second pilgrimage from September 11th-18th 2017. It is, however, a program for those on a stricter budget but who wish to visit Fatima in the year of the 100th anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions, as well as Santiago de Compostela in Spain. Cost \$2195.00plus taxed \$504.00 Total: \$2699.00 Direct fly to Lisbon by Air Canada Sign up & info Polimex 905 238-6683 ext. 427 ask for Mira

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 at 8:00pm.



NEW YEAR'S DANCE at JPII Polish Culture Centre – Saturday, December 31st at 7:00pm – Cost \$140.00 Included in the cost of the ticket is a hot supper by Jan Gromada. Music provided by SONET Info & tickets: 905 306 9900

RADIO MARYJA OPLATEK & 25th ANNIVERSARY OF EXISTANCE will be held on Sunday, January 15th 2017. 2:30pm Mass at St. Maximilian Kobe and 4:00pm-banquet at Polish Culture Centre. Info & tickets: Joanna 905 819-1040 Tickets \$60.00 will be sold in the parish hall today - Sunday, December 11th following the Mass at 8:00am & 9:30am & 11:00am

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, December 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe

- 8:00 ☩ Aniela & Wojciech Kaminski
- 10:00 ☩ Maria & Bogdan & Wojciech Kowalczyk – Marta & family
- 19:00 ☩ Janina Czula & Aleksandra Mistela – Robert & family
- ☩ Zbigniew Kochman – son & family

TUESDAY, December 13th Saint Lucy

- 8:00 ☩ Regina Lewandowska - cousin
- 10:00 ☩ Roza Slota – Zbigniew Machlowski
- 19:00 (Pol.) ☩ Domicela Szumylo (10th anniv.) – daughter Grazyna & family (Pol.) Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Mirosława & Jan Szorc – sister Rela
- 20:00 Fatima Devotion

WEDNESDAY, December 14th Saint John the Cross

- 8:00 ☩ Ludwika & Boleslaw Kramkowski Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Ewa Stangel on her 60th birthday
- 10:00 ☩ Pawel Pieczonka (10th anniv.) - mother
- 19:00 Advent Retreat - Conclusion

THURSDAY, December 15th

- 8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Rafal & Mikolaj & Lukasz & Anna
- 19:00 ☩ Jakub Grad - family
- ☩ Seweryn Stadnik & Jacek Stadnik - family

FRIDAY, December 16th

- 8:00 ☩ parents Ksenia & Teodor - daughter
- 19:00 ☩ Remigiusz & Agnieszka & all deceased from family & Wladyslaw & Gertruda Lubinski & Stefania Zajac
- ☩ Edward Kulina (4th anniv.) - brothers

SATURDAY, December 17th

- 8:00 ☩ Irena Bryskiewicz (1st anniv.) – granddaughter & family
- 12:30 Wedding: Agnieszka Kmiec & Andrzej Kasperski

Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Sandra on her birthday

SUNDAY, December 18th Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 ☩ Edward Wilk (3rd anniv.) – wife & children
- 9:30 ☩ Andrew Gut – wife & family
- 11:00 ☩ Fr. Jakub Szwarc, OMI (8th anniv.)
- 13:00 ☩ Krystyna Siemiginowska (26th anniv.) - children
- 14:30 ☩ Bronisława & Sergiusz & Antoni & all deceased from family - family
- 19:00 ☩ Stanislaw Nowicki – daughter & family