



# Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

**Tiago Henry Brito son of Leanne & Miguel**  
**Mason Wesley Miranda son of Lidia & Danny**

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.

## FRAUD ALERT

Again, we would like to bring to your attention cases of extortion of money from Polish seniors. The scammers claim that a family member or friend of the victim is having legal problems, and money is needed right away in order for the person to be released from police custody.

The Peel Police states that no police activity of this kind is ever done over the telephone. It is done in-person, and police have the duty to identify themselves properly. In the case of a telephone call asking for a loan, please remember to not act in haste and postpone the transfer of funds (preferably for a few days) and not give in to the pressure of the scammers.

There have already been several victims from our parish of this crime, losing a lot of money.

## In Short

### ATTENTION COUPLES PLANNING THEIR CHURCH MARRIAGE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE DATE CHANGE

The next course will be held from Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00pm to 10:00pm, for a total of 6 classes. Cost \$100.00 Sign up – parish office.

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

**ADULTS PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION** - Meetings for adults preparing for the sacrament of confirmation will take place on following **Fridays: March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:00pm** in Br. Anthony Room. Classes will be held in Polish. All interested are asked to register themselves by coming to the parish office. *A copy of the baptismal certificate is mandatory upon registration. ADULT CONFIRMATION is planned for Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 8:00pm.*



The parish council has decided to set up a new memorial dedicated to both victims of abortion and euthanasia, honouring life from conception to natural death. The memorial will be a witness to the fundamental truth that human life is a sacred gift from God, and should be valued and protected in every moment of development, from conception to natural death. The cost of the entire project is \$30,000.00

The new memorial will be located near the new entrance to the church, next to the parking lot. It was designed by Canadian artist, Timothy Schmalz, whose work may be found in many churches around the world, public spaces, and even at the Vatican. The sculpture, made from bronze, is called "A Quiet Moment" and depicts the Holy Family affectionately surrounding the Baby Jesus. It is a symbol of love and care for life from conception to natural death.

<https://www.sculpturebytps.com/>

On Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> there will be an opportunity to make an offering that will be used to cover the costs of the memorial "A Quiet Moment" and its installation. Renovation Fund envelopes placed in the main church hall can be used for this collection.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** - on Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> following Holy Mass at 7:00pm and the exchange of the Mysteries of the Living Rosary. After Mass, a meeting will be held in the Knights of Columbus room at the John Paul II Cultural Centre

**FAMILIES OF JP II** – would like to invite to join married couples during their retreat in Melrose, ON at the time of "family long weekend" February, 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. Info: Karolina or Jacek 647 400-1304

**"SOUL DOCTOR"** – *Your home is where your heart is* - a documentary on a remarkable story of Bishop Wieslaw Antoni Krotki, a Polish Missionary among Canadian Inuit. The call of the heart that led a youth from Jaworzynka to the most demanding missions in the snows of the Arctic, where he became a soul doctor. **DVD's - \$15.00 are available in the parish office.**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH – Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>** Exchange of the Mysteries of the Living Rosary for the English groups will take place following the Mass at 9:30am

**FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH** February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Prayer for vocations at 6:30pm.

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD & THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** – The date of Candlemas is established by the date set for the Nativity of Jesus, for it comes 40 days afterwards. Candlemas therefore corresponds to the day on which Mary, according to Jewish law (see *Leviticus* 12:2-8), should have attended a ceremony of ritual purification. The gospel of *Luke* 2:22-39 relates that Mary was purified according to the religious law, followed by Jesus's presentation in the Jerusalem temple, and this explains the formal names given to the festival. **Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Masses will be held at 11:00am & 7:00pm (all in Polish).**

On Thursday, we will come to church with our candles, which we will bless so that they remind us of the Light of the World, Jesus Christ for the entire year, especially during difficulties. This feast also ends the traditional period of Christmas Carol singing.

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE** Since 1997, the universal Church celebrates the **World Day for Consecrated Life on February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, established by John Paul II. The Day is dedicated to prayer for those who have offered their life to serve God and people in countless convents, religious orders, communities of apostolic life, and lay institutes. *Let us remember them in our prayers at the Eucharist.*

**FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH – Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> VISITING THE SICK** (by our parish Fathers) – please forward names to the parish office. Masses are at 8:00am, 10:00 am and 7:00pm. Confession starts at 6:00pm.

**SAINT BLAISE – Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Church celebrates memorial of St. Blaise. Blaise is traditionally believed to intercede in cases of throat illnesses, especially for fish-bones stuck in the throat. **Traditionally in Poland small candles and apples were brought to be blessed. A blessing of St. Blaise will be given on February 3<sup>rd</sup> following the Masses.**

**FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH – February 4<sup>th</sup>** - Mass and First Saturday Service are at 8:00am.

**PRAYER EVENING WITH THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Adoremus Prayer Group** invites on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:00pm – 9:30pm in the church (following the evening Mass) for a prayer evening with the Blessed Sacrament. We praise and worship God in joyful songs, listen to a formation talk on selected themes in spirituality, do a guided meditation on the Gospel, pray for healing and receive individually a blessing with the Blessed Sacrament.

## BURIAL OR CREMATION

The Sovereign Pontiff Francis, in the Audience granted to the undersigned Cardinal Prefect on 18 March 2016, approved the present **Instruction, "Ad resurgendum cum Christo"** regarding the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation. To rise with Christ, we must die with Christ: we must "be away from the body and at home with the Lord". With the Instruction Piam et Constantem of 5 July 1963, the then Holy Office established that "all necessary measures must be taken to preserve the practice of reverently burying the faithful departed", adding however that cremation is not "opposed per se to the Christian religion" and that no longer should the sacraments and funeral rites be denied to those who have asked that they be cremated, under the condition that this choice has not been made through "a denial of Christian dogmas, the animosity of a secret society, or hatred of the Catholic religion and the Church".

The Church continues to prefer the practice of burying the bodies of the deceased, because this shows a greater esteem towards the deceased. Nevertheless, cremation is not prohibited, "unless it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian doctrine". When, for legitimate motives, cremation of the body has been chosen, the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery or, in certain cases, in a church or an area, which has been set aside for this purpose, and so dedicated by the competent ecclesial authority. The reservation of the ashes of the departed in a sacred place ensures that they are not excluded from the prayers and remembrance of their family or the Christian community. For the reasons given above, the conservation of the ashes of the departed in a domestic residence is not permitted. Only in grave and exceptional cases dependent on cultural conditions of a localized nature, may the Ordinary, in agreement with the Episcopal Conference or the Synod of Bishops of the Oriental Churches, concede permission for the conservation of the ashes of the departed in a domestic residence. **Nonetheless, the ashes may not be divided among various family members and due respect must be maintained regarding the circumstances of such a conservation.**

In order that every appearance of pantheism, naturalism or nihilism be avoided, it is not permitted to scatter the ashes of the faithful departed in the air, on land, at sea or in some other way, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewellery or other objects. These courses of action cannot be legitimized by an appeal to the sanitary, social, or economic motives that may have occasioned the choice of cremation. **When the deceased notoriously has requested cremation and the scattering of their ashes for reasons contrary to the Christian faith, a Christian funeral must be denied to that person according to the norms of the law.**

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en>

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, January 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00 † Marian Kniotek (7<sup>th</sup> anniv.) - children  
19:00 † all deceased from Cwalinski & Bogumil & Grzymala families – Cwalinski family  
† Kazimierz – daughter & family

### TUESDAY, January 31<sup>st</sup>

#### Saint John Bosco

8:00 † Joseph Marcel Leung Hung - daughter  
19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Krystyna & Wladyslaw Liczner on their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary – sons & their families  
† Natalia & Stefan & Stanislaw Michalec

### WEDNESDAY, February 1<sup>st</sup>

8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Teresa & her family  
Special intention for God's blessings for Katarzyna & Zbigniew & their families - mother

### 19:00 Group Intentions

#### THURSDAY, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 † Jan Kedziak (17<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – daughter & family  
11:00 Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Magdalena - family  
19:00 † Marian & Maria & Mariusz & Zeneusz & all deceased from Gajos family – mother & sister & family  
Special intention for God's blessings for children: Magdalena & Katarzyna & Antoni - parents

### FRIDAY, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Saint Blaise

8:00 † Wladyslaw & Zofia Grodecki – daughter & her husband  
† Stanislaw & Zygmunt Pracon – son & family  
10:00 † Janina & Eugeniusz & all deceased from Plonski family & Eugenia Moscicka  
19:00 † Tadeusz Chudzinski ( 2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.) – wife Barbara & children & grandchildren

### SATURDAY, February 4<sup>th</sup>

8:00 Intention for Rosary Family & Knights of Mary Immaculate  
12:30 **Wedding: Renata Reitmeier & Michal Ramzia**  
17:00 † Regina & Janina & Jan Dobosz  
19:00 † Janina Hanzel - parents

### SUNDAY, February 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00 Intention for members of the Holy Rosary Family & Knights of the Mary Immaculate  
9:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Maria & Franciszek Brynczka on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary – Brynczka & Mann Family  
11:00 **FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS**  
13:00 † Czeslawa Lyzwa (anniv.) - sons  
14:30 † Iwona & Ryszard Desperak - Godson  
19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Krystyna & Zbigniew on their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

## FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*The following members have left our community, and entered into the eternal life with the Lord in December & January:*

#### The Late:

† Teresa Stoch 48, † Emilia Lisicka 73,  
† Maria Sobolewska 79, † Janina Wielgus 87,  
† Krystyna Lipinska 66, † Tadeusz Baranowski 66,  
† Karol Kobylinski 93, † Eugene Neuff 97,  
† Ryszard Leszczewski 69, † Wladyslaw Smutek 72,  
† Anna Raczynska 83, † Joseph Kowalczyk 92,  
† Wlodzimierz Bozym 59,  
† Stanislaw Gniadkowska 88,  
† Janina Kuzma 90, † Wanda Niniowska 80,  
† Michalina Daniluk 92.

*Eternal Rest Grant unto Them and Let Your Light Shine upon Them.*



We seek glory because it is our human nature to do so. Self-seeking glory is all around us. God challenges us to recognize that God-in-us will lead to great things. God in our small, weak selves leads to holiness, a different glory. And though our culture shapes us, we shape our culture; the culture changes only when God shapes us. When Jesus taught the Beatitudes, he was challenging the culture, too. Each one of Jesus' exhortations – *Blessed are...* – is a profound witness of faith and trust in someone greater than ourselves. Suffering the cost of living The Beatitudes shows the world a new way to live, one rooted in Christ. Can we be surprised that it will be exceedingly difficult to live this way? How shall we? Here is how. God's love for us compels him to share his divine nature with us through Christ. Does he need us to accomplish his plan? Not really. Does he invite us? Every day. Let us say yes. Rejoice then, that Jesus can use us to teach the strong and, at times, humble them. Even in this, no one can boast, because we all share the same self-glorifying human nature. We are only our best selves when God's divine nature is at work in us. There is no glory for us when living The beatitudes. All glory belongs to God.

Johanne Brownrigg, Orleans, ON

**First reading:** Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1.26-31  
**Gospel:** Matthew 5.1-12

**Rose # 34** will lead the rosary this week.

**COFFEE AND DONUTS** will be served today by **Pro-Life Group**.

**TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION** will be taken for the **renovation fund**.

**LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** – new schedules for Polish Masses can be picked up in the sacristy.



**RADOSC-JOY** invites all to their Christmas concert, "JASELKA, KOLEDA, & HERODY" today, **Sunday, January 29, at 4:00pm** in the parish hall. Tickets \$10.00

**INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** - We are in the process of preparing the income tax receipts for the previous year. We ask all parishioners who recently changed their address to inform us of the change. You may do so by calling the parish office, or by filling out the green forms found in the narthex of the church and placing the filled out forms in the Sunday collection. **Receipts will be mailed in February to all parishioners who gave offerings over \$50.00.**