



Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday



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Today's gospel presents a very dramatic story, describing astonishing events. The resurrected Jesus somehow passes through locked doors and appears before his disciples. Later, Thomas the Doubter is invited to put his fingers right into the mortal wounds in Jesus' body to see for himself that he figure standing before them is truly their friend and teacher, who had been killed before their eyes just a few days earlier. These extraordinary moments offer important teachings, not just to the disciples, but to us, too. But the most powerful teaching moment is also the quietest. Jesus' followers are hiding in terror, their hopes crushed, their spirits defeated, afraid for their very lives. All seems lost. Then Jesus is somehow among them and says these simple words: "Peace be with you." Instantly their fear and dread are gone and in their place – joy. Peace, inner peace, is the first gift the resurrected Jesus offers his disciples. Nourished by the peace of the Lord, this group of ordinary people will soon change the world. And we, also ordinary women and men, also full of anxieties and disappointments, confused about the present and uncertain about the future, are offered the same gift. Right here, today, Jesus is saying to us, too, "Peace be with you." We need only to open our hearts to receive it.

Patrick Gallagher, Toronto, ON

First reading: Acts 2.42-47
Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.
Second Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9
Gospel: John 20.19-31

Rose # 46 will lead the rosary this week.

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



Living the Gospel by helping the vulnerable in our society...

Tim and Donna met 25 years ago and have made the Friday and Saturday social nights at Our Place a regular part of their lives. Their intellectual capacity is somewhat limited but they do maintain their own independent apartments. While Tim is currently caring for his aging mother following her recent surgery, Donna is able to support Tim by cooking meals and offering caring attention. As Tim overcomes some social shyness in his own life, he also takes cares of some of Donna's daily needs with household chores, and working on the computer. The support role ShareLife plays enables Our Place to be a caring partner to these vulnerable people. ShareLife funded agencies like Our Place helps many intellectually disabled men and women through compassionate and caring support.

Next ShareLife Sunday is May 7, 2017 Please give generously.

Baptisms



The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Logan John Henry Ataide son of Joanne & Andy
- Jan Zietkowski son of Agata & Krzysztof
- Ethan Peter Slusarczyk son of Stephanie & Peter
- Natalia Krzysiak daughter of Anna & Arkadiusz
- Audrey Claire Prodanowski daughter of Xiaoting & Piotr

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and godparents.

THANK YOU & GOD BLESS

In a past bulletin, while thanking for help with installment of the Holy Family/Pro Life "A quiet moment" monument, a name was misspelled and we would like to apologize for it.

Our "thank you" was directed to Piotr Kaczmarek (not Kaczmarczyk) from K & B CNC Precision Machining Ltd for preparing and donating a bronze plaque for the monument. Thank you & God Bless!

On the occasion of the parish feast Holy Rosary Family would like to invite all parishioners and guests to our parish hall to taste the specialties of the Polish cuisine:

cabbage stew, pierogis, sausages, pork schnitzel & delicious zapiekanki.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE & GREAT FEAST in Mexico December 9th - 14th 2017

In program: Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico City, Puebla, Taxco with possibility to extend the stay for 3 nights in 5* Hotel (all inclusive) in Acapulco.

Cost: \$1648.00 + taxes \$255.00
Info & reservation Polimex Travel Inc. 905 238-6683 (ask for Mira ext. 427) or at www.polimex.com



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today - Sunday, April 23, our parish is celebrating the Solemnity of Divine Mercy. We will be giving thanks to God for his boundless mercy, which we experience on a daily basis in our lives, and above all, to give thanks for His blessing in the form of our Chapel of Perpetual Adoration.

We would like to welcome the Metropolitan of Czesstochowa, Archbishop Wacław Depo who will celebrate with us the Solemnity of the Divine Mercy.



Archbishop Wacław Depo will bless today:

THE HOLY FAMILY/PRO-LIFE MONUMENT



This memorial is 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.

A FIGURE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of our Lady of Fatima.

This statue was made in Italy on our special request and sponsored by the Holy Rosary Society. Base for the statue was made by Władysław & Marcin Guzda from FLEXWOOD.

Statue will be located in our new vestibule. Thank you & God Bless!

A NEW CHURCH ENTRANCE

which the construction was completed this year. Our new glass entrance beautifully completes the look of our church. Modernized entrance is bigger and easier to use.

During the Mass, we will also be installing the relics of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. They will be placed at the relic altar, next to the relic of St. John Paul II.



Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday after Easter. The devotion was actively promoted by Pope John Paul II. It was officially designated as the Sunday of the Divine Mercy (Dominica II Paschae seu de divina misericordia) in the General Roman Calendar on April 30, 2000 during the Canonization of Sister Faustina Kowalska. It is originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Saint Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her encounter with Jesus, and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Church. The promotion of designating this day as a Sunday of the Divine Mercy began in 1938 by Fr. Michał Sopoćko who was the confessor of Saint Faustina Kowalska. In 1995, Saint John Paul II designated the Sunday of the Divine Mercy in all of the dioceses in Poland as a result of a request from the Polish Episcopate. It is preceded by a novena, which begins on Good Friday.

Today's second collection taken during an 11:00am Mass as well as the collection for the poor by the entrance door will be for Archbishop Wacław Depo as an offering of our heartfelt gratitude.



MARIAN DEVOTIONS - The Month of May is both named for and dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Join us daily at 6:30pm for the Marian Devotions, and in Wednesdays along with the Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and on Saturdays following morning Mass. On Mondays we invite all children to join Marian Devotions.

CHAPEL OF THE DIVINE MERCY - ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Chapel is open 24/7 (The entrance is located beside the parish office) We invite all the faithful to prayer and perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. For further information/registration call: Mr. Andrzej Chmura at 905 949-1237

Other Events

CATHOLIC FAMILY RADIO - came into existence over 23 years ago under the direction of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, bringing into our homes the word of hope and perseverance. The radio's programs run daily starting at 8:00pm on 530AM. In today's world, we often hear that someone is tired of life and has had enough, or that someone is depressed and is asking for euthanasia. Such realities make us cognizant about how important it is to sow the seeds of hope in the hearts of people. Building a better world and extending hope out to others is a responsibility of all of us. In order for the radio to be able to respond to the needs of contemporary society, it also needs support and the involvement of all good people. In this regard, Catholic Family Radio is organizing a telethon on April 24 at 8:00pm. During this program, we will be talking about modernizing the Catholic Family Radio and forms of evangelization, while updating you on the financial support as it comes in. Spend the evening with us, and invite others to help in creating a new Catholic Family Radio. You can declare your sponsorship by calling 416-588-0555.

CATHOLIC FAMILY RADIO SPRING DANCE - Family Radio cordially invite you for the SPRING DANCE, on Saturday, April 29th 2017 from 5:30pm at JPII Polish Culture Centre organized to raise funds for Radio Rodzina. Tickets \$45.00 Info & reservation 416 588-0555 or www.radiorodzina.com Delicious Dinner, lottery - main price HP Pavilion Touchscreen Laptop, live band NON STOP - ILLUSION DJ BAND - We hope you'll join us & support Radio Rodzina!

ANNIVERSARY MASS - April 30th at 11:00am for couples celebrating their wedding anniversary. Please forward the names to the office at 905 848-2420

MEETING WITH PROFESSOR PIOTR JAROSZYNSKI from Catholic University of Lublin - Wednesday, May 3rd following the evening Mass in parish hall downstairs. Prof. Jaroszynski will talk about "Fating for Polish culture "and "How to raise young Poles?" Meeting will be held in Polish. Welcome!

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE - Pro-Life Kolbe Group invites you to the March for Life in Ottawa, on Thursday, May 11th. Theme of this year's march is "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" (Mt 25, 40) Fr. Wojciech Kurzydło and s. Karolina Szymkowiak will lead the group. Cost of the trip: \$50 per person. Sign up & info Magda 647 330-9121

DISCO SPRING DANCE - Saturday, May 13th at 7:00pm at JP II Polish Culture Centre. Dance led by DJ Jack. Tickets \$25.00

ADVERTISEMENTS

The cost of printing the church bulletin is covered by businesses advertising in them. Our appreciation and thanks to all our existing sponsors

All interested in placing an advertisement in our bulletin from October 2017 to October 2018 are asked to contact Krystyna at 905 848-2420 starting from Tuesday, May 2nd.

New advertisements will be placed in the spots of those clients who have resigned. Advertisements are taken on a first come-first serve basis

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, April 24th

8:00 For conversion of sinners
19:00 ✠ Władysław & parents from both families & all deceased from Barszcz & Warpas families - wife & daughter & family
Special intention for God's blessings for Wanda & Leszek on their 41st wedding anniversary

TUESDAY, April 25th

8:00 ✠ Aleksander Buczek (anniv.) - daughters
19:00 ✠ Tennie & John Bielawski & Stan Modrowski - family
Special intention for God's blessings for Maria & Tomasz Koziol on their 25th wedding anniversary - sister & her husband

WEDNESDAY, April 26th

8:00 ✠ Stanisław Skiba (3rd anniv.) - daughter & family
Special intention for God's blessings for Kazimiera & Jozef Grela on their 60th wedding anniversary

Group Intentions

THURSDAY, April 27th

8:00 ✠ Fatima Akdari - husband & family
19:00 ✠ Maria Bazył - daughter & son & family
✠ Władysław Mroczek (3rd anniv.) - family

FRIDAY, April 28th

8:00 ✠ Stanisław Marks - wife & family
19:00 ✠ Sławomir Kostecki (anniv.) - brother & family
Special intention for God's blessings for children, grandchildren and great grandchildren - Jonca grandparents

SATURDAY, April 29th

Saint Catherine of Siena

8:00 ✠ Wanda & Zdzisław Romanowski - grandson
15:30 Wedding: Karolina Skruch & Aleksander Galant
17:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Ewa & Jakub on their 20th wedding anniversary
19:00 ✠ Bolesław Kaczmarek (9th anniv.) & parents & siblings from both families & souls suffering in purgatory - wife

SUNDAY, April 30th

8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for children: Anna & Barbara & Teresa & Dariusz - mother
9:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Adam on his 18th birthday - parents
11:00 Intention for couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries
13:00 ✠ Henryk & Genowefa & Jan Stepien - sister & daughter & family
14:30 Special intention for God's blessing and for health for Izabela & Patryk & parents
19:00 ✠ Michał Plotnicki - children