

# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Happy Birthday!

Today, July 16<sup>th</sup> our Pastor, Fr. Janusz Blazejak celebrates his birthday.

We wish our Pastor, health, happiness, perseverance in his pastoral work. Let us pray for our Pastor on his special day!



Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada would like to invite for

**THE ANNUAL POLONIA PILGRIMAGE TO THE CANADIAN MARTYR'S SHRINE IN MIDLAND**

on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>

This year's celebrant will be **Bishop Wieslaw Spiewak, CR** from Diocese of Hamilton, Bermuda.

### PROGRAM:

- 9:00am – Confession
- 10:30am – Rosary
- 11:15am - Entry of 35<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Walking Pilgrimage
- 11:30am – Solemn Holy Mass
- 3:00pm - Eucharistic Devotion

Bp Wieslaw Spiewak, CR was born in Krakow, Poland on October 19, 1963. On September 15, 1984 he took his first vows in the Congregation of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and on May 19, 1990, he was ordained to the priesthood by Bp Stanislaw Smolenski. From 1990 to 1992, he was the vice rector of the Minor Seminary of the Resurrectionists in Poznan. Later, he was the provincial secretary and the vocations director in Warsaw and Krakow. He continued his theological studies at the Salesianum University in Rome. After 1997, he fulfilled various roles at the Resurrectionists Curia in Rome. From 1998 to 2014, he was the postulator-general responsible for canonizations process. From 1998 to 2003, he was the pastor of St. Mary Magdalene parish in Capranica in the Palestine diocese near Rome. From 2010 to 2015, he was Provincial of Polish Province of Congregation of the Resurrectionists. On June 13, 2015 Pope Francis appointed him as the bishop of the diocese of Hamilton in Bermuda, which he began on October 1, 2015.

*Bus tickets for pilgrimage to Midland are available through Wieslawa at 416 799-2122*

**MISSIONS SUNDAY – Fr. Roman Majewski OMI**, a Missionary from Madagascar will be preaching the homily at all Masses and will share his experiences related to his work as a missionary in Africa next Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Second collection will be taken for Missions.

**POLISH SUMMER CAMP-BRAWO – July 17<sup>th</sup> - August 11<sup>th</sup>** – Music & art workshops, sports & games for children 5-8 & 9-12 at John Paul II Polish Culture Centre. Info: 647 317-4747

**JOB OFFER** – A full time dental assistant and secretary needed for a dental clinic. For info please call 905 275-7737



The Catholic world is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. The celebrations will finish on the 13th of October 2017, marking the 6<sup>th</sup> apparition to the three shepherd children from Fatima.

The Catholic Church officially confirmed the apparition to be authentic 13 years later and Fatima became of place of pilgrimages, conversions and formation of religious vocations.

In order to respond more fully to the requests of "Our Lady", the Holy Father desired to make more explicit during the Holy Year of the Redemption the Act of Entrustment of 7 May 1981, which had been repeated in Fatima on 13 May 1982. On 25 March 1984 in Saint Peter's Square, while recalling the fiat uttered by Mary at the Annunciation, the Holy Father, in spiritual union with the Bishops of the world, who had been "convoked" beforehand, entrusted all men and women and all peoples to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in terms which recalled the heartfelt words spoken in 1981:

*"O Mother of all men and women, and of all peoples, you who know all their sufferings and their hopes, you who have a mother's awareness of all the struggles between good and evil, between light and darkness, which afflict the modern world, accept the cry which we, moved by the Holy Spirit, address directly to your Heart. Embrace with the love of the Mother and Handmaid of the Lord, this human world of ours, which we entrust and consecrate to you, for we are full of concern for the earthly and eternal destiny of individuals and peoples."*

In a special way we entrust and consecrate to you those individuals and nations which particularly need to be thus entrusted and consecrated. "We have recourse to your protection, holy Mother of God!" *Despise not our petitions in our necessities*".

[http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/congregation](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregation)

**ATTENTION**  
To conclude the Year of Fatima, a Marian Retreat led by Fr. Jozef Czernecki, a missionary from Poznan, Poland will be held at our parish from October 8 to 15, 2017.

**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF APPARITIONS OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
On May 13, 2017, we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the appearance of Blessed Virgin Mary to three young Portuguese shepherds in Fatima, Portugal. On this occasion our parish is organizing a second pilgrimage to Fatima from September 11<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>. Cost \$2195.00 plus 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

**XXXV JUBILEE WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO THE CANADIAN MARTYR'S SHRINE IN MIDLAND** will be held from Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> to August 13<sup>th</sup>.

The theme of the pilgrimage will be "The Mighty One has done great things for me and Holy is His Name" (Luke 1:49).

Pilgrims can register online at [www.pielgrzymka.ca](http://www.pielgrzymka.ca)

or at the following parishes:  
St. Maximilian Kolbe  
July 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> & August 6<sup>th</sup>  
St. Eugene de Mazenod  
July 30<sup>th</sup> & August 6<sup>th</sup>  
St. Casimir  
July 30<sup>th</sup> & August 6<sup>th</sup>

The cost of participating in the pilgrimage for one person is \$100 for the entire week or \$20 per day and includes: accommodations, luggage transportation, washroom and truck rental.

What do I bring with me on the pilgrimage?

Supplies:

- Rosary
- tent (it's better to share a tent with friends, there is little room on the farm fields and a lot of tents, we must make use of the space we have wisely)
- warm sleeping bag, blanket
- propane bottle, metal or plastic dishes and utensils, can opener
- water bottle
- cotton socks
- shirts with sleeves
- comfortable (not new!) shoes
- hat
- raincoat poncho

Cosmetics:

- sunscreen with UV protection
- bathroom supplies
- toilet paper
- mosquito repellent-basic medicine (pain relievers, band aids, vitamins)



Facebook.com/pielgrzymkadomidland

**PILGRIMAGE TO BUFFALO – Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> - The Rosary Family** organizes one day pilgrimage to Buffalo. In Program: American Fatima and Our Lady of Victory National Shrine & Basilica. Info & sign up Teresa 905 495-7035 or Wieslawa 416 799-2122

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PILGRIMAGE & GREAT FEAST in Mexico** December 9<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.polimex.com)

THE POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS JULY 2017

### LAPSED CHRISTIANS

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

## ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 7:00pm.

<b>Cemetery</b>	<b>Celebrants</b>
Assumption, Mississauga	Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
Christ the King, Markham	Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
Holy Cross, Thornhill	His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins
Mount Hope, Toronto	Rev. Msgr. Robert Nusca
Queen of Heaven, Wood.	Most Rev. Robert Kasun
Resurrection, Whitby	Rev. Msgr. John Pilkauskas
St. Mary's, Barrie	Most Rev. Wayne Kirkpatrick

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, July 17<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 ☩ Helena Sroslak – daughter & family
- 19:00 ☩ Aleksander Jablonski (3<sup>rd</sup> anniv.) – daughter & family  
Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Tomasz & Anna & Magdalena – mother & grandmother

### TUESDAY, July 18<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 ☩ Paulina & Wiktor Fulawka – daughter Stanislaw
- 19:00 ☩ husband Henryk & son Henryk & parents from both families – Teresa Bujnowski  
☩ Lukasz-Ignacy Chabowski – sister & family

### WEDNESDAY, July 19<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 ☩ Kazimierz Przedpelski (13<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – daughter & wife & family  
☩ Barbara Pelka (5<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – niece & sister & family

### 19:00 Group Intentions

### THURSDAY, July 20<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Alicja & Adam
- 19:00 ☩ parents from both families Aniela & Tomasz Koczwaro & Weronika & Wawrzyniec Kuziora – daughter & family  
☩ Jozefa & Stanislaw Mucha & Rozalia & Jozef Zelek – daughter & son

### FRIDAY, July 21<sup>st</sup>

- 8:00 ☩ employers Henryk & Leon - Irena
- 19:00 ☩ Wanda & Roman Konotopski & Irena Jamka & Wladyslawa Buras – Mochocki family  
☩ Aleksandra & Wladyslaw Rydzewski - daughter & family

### SATURDAY, July 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Mary Magdalene

- 8:00 ☩ Maria & Florian Wierzbicki - daughter
- 12:30 Wedding: Karen Kus & Mark Misiak
- 17:00 ☩ Katarzyna & Jan Pyz - children
- 19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for s. Karolina Szymkowiak on her birthday
- SUNDAY, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**
- 8:00 ☩ Piotr & Eugenia Wisniewski – Wieslawa & children
- 9:30 ☩ Tadeusz Popek (14<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – wife & daughters & grandchildren
- 11:00 FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS
- 13:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Stanislaw & Ryszard on their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
- 14:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Barbara & Jozef Gdula on their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary
- 19:00 ☩ Tadeusz Krawczuk (19<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – daughter & her husband

Today's gospel from Matthew – so familiar! – touches me in an unexpected new way. Jesus presents the Parable of the Sower to people familiar with farming techniques. He speaks of seeds being tossed upon varied qualities of soil and of the earth's response to their potential for growth. Seeds that fall above ground, on rocky soil or among thorns won't flourish, he says. Those absorbed into rich soil will reproduce...even a hundredfold! I first learned about God as a non-Catholic five year old attending a convent close to my home. As my classmates prepared for the sacraments, I longed to receive Jesus. At age 21, my dream was realized. As an adult, the practice of my faith has been a source of intense joy. Yet when my beliefs are questioned or criticized, heartfelt prayer eludes me. Jesus likens the person who, rootless, falls away "when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word" to seed thrown on rocky soil. Do these words describe me? A disheartening thought! Reflection, however, shows me that whenever I am lost, God in his mercy finds me. Today, Isaiah tells me that God's word will always accomplish the purpose for which it has been sent. The psalmist reassures me that whatever happens to the seed, God is blessing my growth. God's word offers comfort, understanding, encouragement and love.

Barbara K. d'Artois, Pierrefonds, QC

**First reading:** Isaiah 55.10-11  
**Responsorial Psalm:** The seed that fell on good soil produced a hundredfold.  
**Second Reading:** Romans 8.18-23  
**Gospel:** Matthew 13.1-23

Rose # 62 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE & DONUTS will be sold today by Domestic Church.

### CHURCH RENOVATION

Last week, a new parish hall door near Divine Mercy monument, was installed.

## PARKING LOT CONSTRUCTION

We are in the process of parking renovation. The old asphalt is being removed, after which gravel will be laid out. A new layer of asphalt will be poured out on the top of the gravel.

We ask for your understanding and please be careful when navigating near construction.

