

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Baptism

The following child will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:
Viktoria Wachnicki daughter of Anna & Andrzej
 We welcome Viktoria and congratulate her parents and godparents.

John knew immediately that Jesus was the Lamb of God, the one who takes away our sins, the Promised One of God. In John's heart there was no hesitation or doubt, rather I imagine joy and delight! When the two disciples run up to Jesus, he asks them, "What are you looking for?" They reply, "Rabbi," which means "Teacher." I believe Jesus asks the same question of you and me. How do we answer him? Maybe we can't answer that question, unless we face a deeper question: "What is God asking of me?" Am I truly *letting* that question shape me? Are you and I ready, like Samuel, to say: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening?" Can we accept his invitation to 'discipleship,' to love and serve God with generosity and mercy? World Day of Migrants and Refugees invites us to 'come and see' the faithful and courageous works of so many volunteers, organizations and parishes serving migrants and refugees. As strong advocates with a commitment to care for others, these 'disciples' put the gospel into action. They show us, and those they serve, the working hands, feet and heart of your merciful and loving Messiah. Will you and I, along with Samuel, John and the first disciples, 'come and see,' trusting in the Lord's love and saving power – given to us and through us for others?

Julie Cachia, Toronto ON

First reading: 1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19
Responsorial Psalm: Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20
Gospel: John 1.35-42

Rose # 20 will lead the rosary this week.

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

As of Monday, we will be preparing our church for the ordinary time and Christmas decoration will be removed. At the same time we warmly encourage you to pray at the Bethlehem manger, since it will be removed soon.

RADIO MARYJA OPLATEK will be held today - **Sunday, January 14th. 2:30pm Mass at St. Maximilian Kolbe and 4:00pm-banquet at Polish Culture Centre.**

OPLATEK FOR THE FAMILIES OF JPPI will take place today - **Sunday, January 14th at 2:30pm in St. Maximilian Kolbe Room (new Catechetical Centre).**

OBLATE RETREAT January 15th -19th

The Oblates will be away on their annual Retreat. We sincerely ask the faithful for their prayers on behalf of our Oblates so that God may bless them during this time of retreat and renewal. May they be renewed in Spirit so they may renew us the people of God.

There will be no morning or evening Masses for the entire week including Wednesday evening Group Intention Mass due to the absence of priest in our parish. At 6:30pm, Rose # 20 will lead the rosary that week.

GROUP MASS INTENTIONS

Please, note that there will be no Group Mass intentions on Wednesday, January 17th.

Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time comprises two periods: the first period begins the day after the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and ends on the day before Ash Wednesday; the second period begins on the Monday after Pentecost, the conclusion of the Easter season, and continues until the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent. Both of these periods of time, combined, are the longest time in the liturgical year.

During Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus.

On the first day of week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the Word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from the apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's resurrection.

Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the risen Lord.

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.

From the Pulpit

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OPLATEK on Saturday, January 20th
 Info: 416 908-3801

SCOUTS KARNAWAL DANCE - Friends of the Polish Scouts ZHP cordially invite you for the KARNAWAL DANCE, on Saturday, January 20th at 7:00pm at JPPI Polish Cultural Centre. Tickets \$50.00 - Joanna 647 281-5008 Delicious Dinner & live band IMPULS.

RADOSC-JOY CHRISTMAS CONCERT "KOLEDA, KOLEDA" - Sunday, Jan. 21st at 4:00pm in the church hall. Guest performers: Jubileusz 2000. Tickets \$10.00 can be obtained in the parish hall on Sunday or from the group members.

FRIENDS OF OBLATE MISSION MEETING - will be held on Friday, Jan. 26th at 7:30pm in the parish hall.

PANAMA WYD MEETING - will be held on Sunday, January 28th at 8:00pm in the parish hall. Meeting will include an information session and catechesis. Last chance to sign up!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE - The next course will be held from January 29th - March 12th 2018. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00pm to 10:00pm, for a total of 7 classes. Sign up - parish office. Cost \$100.00

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

ADULTS PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION - Meetings for adults preparing for the sacrament of confirmation will take place on following Fridays: February 23rd & March 2nd & 9th & 16th at 8:00pm in Sister Faustyna Room (new Catechetical Centre). Classes will be held in both languages Polish and English. All those interested are asked to contact the parish office at 905 848 2420. A copy of the baptismal certificate is mandatory upon registration.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN - April 30th - May 10th 2018 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan under the spiritual direction of Fr. Janusz Blazejak. In the program: Haifa, Nazareth, Cana of Galilee, the Yardenit Baptismal Site, Petra, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Masada and Dead Sea. Cost: \$ 3,990.00 (taxes included). Info: Polimex Travel 905 238-6683 ext 427 (ask for Mira)

PRAYER EVENINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF TAIZE - You are cordially invited to a prayer evening in the spirit of Taize led by the Praise and Worship Fr. Pio's Group ADOREMUS on Saturday, January 20th following the evening Mass from 8:00pm-9:00pm. 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.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY - January 18th - 25th The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18th - 25th. Those dates were proposed in 1908 by Paul Wattson to cover the days between the feasts of St. Peter and St. Paul, and therefore have a symbolic significance. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. All members of the parish should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.



DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

The Chapel of Perpetual Adoration in our parish is opened 24 hours a day. It is possible to adore the Holy Sacrament at any time during the day or night. We encourage everyone to sign-up for a scheduled adoration.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth."
 - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Accept Jesus' invitation and dedicate one hour of your time each week, or even once a month. We encourage everyone to sign-up for a scheduled adoration.

Information:
 Barbara and Andrzej Chmura: 905-949-1237

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

What is the purpose of my life? What is the meaning of marriage and family? Are sexual desires sinful? Does God care about the quality of my sexual relationship? What does it mean to be man or woman in today's world? Come and discover Theology of the Body, given to us by Saint Pope John Paul II. It will forever change the way you look at your relationships, body, marriage, sexuality and the teachings of Catholic Church.



An Introduction to the Theology of the Body is a DVD-based study for adults and will be held in English on Wednesdays at 8:00pm.

There will be separate group for men and women, each group will meet every second Wednesday. Couples can share the same book; cost is \$25.00 per book.

Orientation/Information session and registration will be held on Wednesday, January 17th 2018 at in St. Maximilian Kolbe Room (downstairs new catechetical center). The cost is payable in cash at the end of Introductory meeting if you decide to sign up. For couples, if only one of you can attend the introductory meeting, it is fine; you can still sign up both of you. Contact: kolbetobstudygroup@gmail.com

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 15 th	
8:00	No Mass
19:00	No Mass
TUESDAY, January 16 th	
8:00	No Mass
19:00	No Mass
WEDNESDAY, January 17 th St. Anthony	
8:00	No Mass
19:00	No Mass
THURSDAY, January 18 th	
8:00	No Mass
19:00	No Mass
FRIDAY, January 19 th	
8:00	No Mass
19:00	No Mass
SATURDAY, January 20 th	
8:00	☩ Apolonia Trzeciakowska - daughters
17:00	☩ Henryk Chuchla - wife & family
19:00	Special intention for God's blessings for father Stanislaw Janik on his 89 th birthday - daughter & her husband
SUNDAY, January 21 st	
8:00	☩ Maria & Mieczyslaw Gorecki - son & family
9:30	Special intention for God's blessings for Monika on her 20 th birthday
11:00	FOR PARISHIONERS AND BENEFACTORS
13:00	☩ Janina Halina Kuzma - children
14:30	☩ Sebastian Kosiba (11 th anniv.) - parents & sons
19:00	☩ Bronislawa & Kazimierz Oblak - family