

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre
Mississauga, Ontario



Baptism

The following child will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

Maria Janina Calak daughter of Natalia & Piotr

We welcome Maria and congratulate her parents and godparents.

The Ninevites' Conversion is quite astounding. Such an immediate and all-encompassing turning away from sin in this wicked and non-Israelite city (even down to its animals) towards a faith I God akin to Abraham's or that of Moses was a testament to God's power and a telling criticism of Israel's infidelity. The God whose very way of being is the source and reason for such salvation is described in today's psalm: God is true, merciful, steadfast in love, good and upright. This is the God we know in Jesus of Nazareth who dwelt among us and who offers us fullness of life. Today's readings encourage us to follow the example of those in the past who have given to this God of love a complete and unreserved response of faith. The first disciples demonstrate such readiness and resolve: leaving behind their thriving business ventures, family and employees, they follow Jesus regardless of the cost. Their actions are not a counsel to shirk life's responsibilities, but to make God to priority. Saint Paul also advises living with this detached perspective, always ready to follow and to make Jesus' way our own. May such unity in willing discipleship be a gift for us and for the entire Christian family.

Christine Mader, Waverley, NS

First reading: Jonah 3.1-5, 10
Responsorial Psalm: Lord, make me know your ways.
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7.29-31
Gospel: Mark 1.14-20

Rose # 21 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be served today by Catechists.

RADOSC-JOY CHRISTMAS CONCERT "KOLEDA, KOLEDA"

– today –
Sunday, Jan. 21st
at 4:00pm
in the church hall.
Guest performers:
Jubileusz 2000.



THANK YOU & GOD BLESS CHANGE FOR LIFE 2017

The Group Pro Life would like to thank all for their contribution from the collected bottles in December 2017.

Each offering given, no matter how small, will be a big help in the concrete good, which will come to be thanks to you.

The World Day for Consecrated Life

Friday, February 2

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 religious men and women of 100 different religious congregations. This World Day for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick will preside at a special Mass on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto

in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

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 is held in English on Wednesdays at 8:00pm.

There is a separate group for men and women, each group will meet every second Wednesday, in St. Maximilian Kolbe Room (downstairs new catechetical center).

Contact: kolbetobstudvgroup@gmail.com

CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL (January 25th) - St. Paul, the indefatigable Apostle of the Gentiles, was converted from Judaism on the road to Damascus. He remained some days in Damascus after his Baptism, and then went to Arabia, possibly for a year or two to prepare himself for his future missionary activity. St. Paul untiring interest in and paternal affection for the churches established by him have given us fourteen canonical Epistles.

From the Pulpit

GRANDMOTHER & GRANDFATHER DAY January 21st and 22nd -

In Polish tradition on these days we celebrate our Grandparents day.

We wish them a lot of joy and health and God bless them!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power"

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18th - 25th.

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

ICE SKATING - The Knights of Columbus would like to invite everyone for an ice skating on Saturday, January 27th from 7:00-8:00pm at Chic Murray Arena, 1500 Gullelen Dr. in Mississauga. Entrance is free. Info: 647 919-1544

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!

FAMILIES OF JPPI - would like to invite to join married couples during their retreat with Fr. Pawel Pilarczyk in Melrose, ON February, 2nd - 4th. Cost \$300.00 per family. Info: Karolina or Jacek 647 400-0163

PRAYER EVENING WITH THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Fr. Pio's Adoremus Prayer Group invites on Saturday, February 3rd 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.

VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE organized by Missionary Association of Mary Immaculate in Canada (MAMI) will be held on Saturday, February 10th from 6:00pm at St. Casimir's Church parish hall in Toronto.

Included are: supper with wine, cold buffet, extraordinary atmosphere and a prize draw. Music will be provided by DJs Maciek & Bocian and there will be a surprise guest performance. Tickets - \$50.00/person. All profits will go towards children (half orphans) who are part of the organization of single mothers of Oblate Missions in Bolivia.

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.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga - February 16th - 18th. The retreat will be preached by the Centre team - Oblate Father Pawel Ratajczak and Mrs. Anne Hales. A beautiful way to begin the season of Lent. For information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

LENTEN AIMS - March 3rd - 4th - The Association of St. Vincent in Mississauga and Toronto supports the homeless and the poor. The Parish Committee decided to join this initiative and organize a collection of clothing and other household supplies that can be donated to the poor of the GTA. All things will be passed directly to the Association of St. Vincent. The collection will take place on Saturday, March 3rd from 10:00am to 2:00pm and Sunday, March 4th from 8:00am to 3:00pm. There will be a car parked by the garages in the church parking lot. Donation Guidelines: St. Vincent the Paul accepts bedding, drapes and textiles, boots and shoes, clothing and coats - any and all, towels, new toys only. We ask that any clothing is clean and in good condition.

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)

OSTATKI DANCE organized by the John Paul II Cultural Centre will be held on Saturday, February 10th. Music provided by Impuls and dinner by Chef Jan Gromada. Tickets \$55.00 can be purchased by contacting office at 905 306 9900

FAMILY FUN DAY - Sunday, February 18th from 11:00am - 5:00pm at JPPI Polish Culture Centre Attractions for children and adults. Free admission!

YOUTH GROUPS

Thursday Group (high school students up to 18 years old) meets every Thursday at 8:00pm in St. Maximilian/Fr. Bak Room (new Catechetical Center). Friday Group (19 - 30 years old youth) invites for meetings on Friday at 8:00pm in Fr. Anthony Room. Contact Fr. Marcin Serwin

Mass Intentions

- MONDAY, January 22nd**
8:00 ☩ Ewa Grabowska (11th anniv.) - daughter Jolanta
19:00 ☩ all deceased from Rogala, Dabrowski & Zukowski families
☩ Roman Zapasnik (1st anniv.) & all deceased from family - Halina & family
- TUESDAY, January 23rd**
8:00 ☩ Stanislaw - son & family
19:00 ☩ Kazimierz Tomaszewski - wife
☩ Lubomir & Lechoslaw & all deceased from Czechowski family
- WEDNESDAY, January 24th**
Saint Francis de Sales
8:00 ☩ Antoni & Ewa Balasa - family
☩ Magdalena & all deceased from Sitek family & Marianna Bosak & Zygmunt & Jan Bomba
- THURSDAY, January 25th**
The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle
8:00 ☩ Jadwiga Boryczka (1st anniv.) - daughter in law & grandchildren
19:00 ☩ all deceased from Obara & Szweczyk & Maciag families - Bozena Kurek & family
Special intention for God's blessings and for health for family - mother & grandmother
- FRIDAY, January 26th**
Saints Timothy and Titus
8:00 ☩ all deceased from Krzyszewski & Kubiak & Pigiel families - Irena
☩ Stefania & Jan Boroniec - son & family
19:00 ☩ all deceased from Wlalinski & Grzymala & Bogumil families - Hanna & Jan Cwalinski
☩ Maria & Jan Jazienicki & Teresa Kedziara & all deceased from family
- SATURDAY, January 27th**
8:00 ☩ Marek Owczarz - family & friends
17:00 ☩ Tadeusz & Zofia Sowinski & Teonia Kapustka - children
19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Monika & Garryiel & their children
- SUNDAY, January 28th**
8:00 ☩ Marianna & Stanislaw & Joanna Kowalczyk
9:30 ☩ Jozef Kudla - wife & children
11:00 ☩ Fr. Stanislaw Bak OMI (23rd anniv.)
13:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Maria & Jerzy on their 40th wedding anniversary
14:30 ☩ Wladyslaw Kmiec - sisters & family
19:00 ☩ Grazyna Dlugosz (4th anniv.) - husband