

Bookstore shelves today are lined with titles on self-imrovment, building self-esteem and assertiveness skills, and how to win. Smartphones put the world at our fingertips. We get impatient when we don't immediately get what we want or have to wait in line. Jesus says that in his kingdom the last will be first and those who pushed their way to the front will be relegated to the cheap seats. Jesus is radical in his challenge as he faces the powerbrokers of his time. Put others ahead of vourself and reach out to those who can't necessarily reciprocate. As I try to apply this teaching, I realize it's asking a lot of me. How I operate socially and whom I invite to dinner indicate the type of person I am. How I move from self-centeredness to being other-centered is a challenge. As my relationship with God grows, I realize he loves me. I am developing a healthier acceptance of my strengths and limitations. At this Eucharist I give thanks that God dwells with me. I don't need to be first in line; I don't need the best seat in the house. The knowledge that God loves me unconditionally allows me to let others cut in front without my getting upset.

Gerry Sobie Castlegar, BC

First reading: Sirach 3.17-20,28-29 Responsorial Psalm: In your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy. econd Reading: Hebrews 12.18-19,22-24a **Gospel:** Luke 14.1, 7-14

Rose #47 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be served today by the Knights of Mary Immaculate for the needs of the parish.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH -**Sept.** 1st Exchange of the Mysteries of the Living Rosary for the English groups will take place following the Mass at 9:30am.

> LABOUR DAY – September 2nd We would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable day.

PARISH GROUP FAIR

Parish Pastoral Council has planned a Parish Group Fair on Sunday, September 15th. We ask that all parish groups select a stand with information of the group's activities and invite new participants to join.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

THANK YOU & GOD BLESS

A Today we bid farewell to Rev. Norbert Pikula, a Professor from Pedagogical University in Krakow, Poland. We would like to thank him for his dedication and an extraordinary help during past seven weeks and wish him continued success in the pastoral and academic work. God Bless!

Baptisms

The following children will receive the Sacrament of Baptism:

> John Furczon son of Maria & Piotr Victoria Daria Durak daughter of Azadouhy Karen & Seweryn

We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and Godparents.



Weddinas The following couples are

planning to be married:

Justyna Katarzyna Iskat daughter of Iwona & Kazimierz Bartlomiej Mateusz Kupiec son of Wioletta & Zdzislaw

Aneta Dorota Brachacz daughter of Antonina & Stanislaw

Jakub Dobieslaw Hawrylewicz, son of Janina & Boleslaw

Victoria Zofia Figaj daughter of Zofia & Eugeniusz Carlo Tobias Espinosa son of Edyta & Gary

We wish them all God's blessing.

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH September 5th Prayer for vocations at 6:30pm.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH -September 6th - VISITING THE SICK by our parish priests - Please forward names to the parish office. Masses are at 8:00am. 10:00am and 7:00pm. Confession starts at 6:00pm.

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH -**Sept.** 1st - Mass and First Saturday Service are

at 8:00am

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AFTER SUMMER MEETING - on Tuesday, September 10th following Holy Mass at 7:00pm and the exchange of the Mysteries of the Living Rosary will then be held in the John Paul II Cultural Centre.

From the Pulpit

MEETINGS WITH **AN EXORCIST**

Today we are hosting and would like to welcome the exorcist Fr. Ph. D Sergiusz Nizinski, OCD from Poznan, Poland. St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish would like to invite you to a meeting with the exorcist on Sunday, September 1st at 8:00pm & Monday, Sept. 2nd at 7:45pm & Tuesday, September 3rd at 7:45pm. All meetings will be held in Polish. Today's door collection for poor will

> be taken for the activities led by Fr. Sergiusz Nizinski.

Please note, that Mass on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd will be held in Polish due to last meeting with Fr. Sergiusz.

Rosary Garden Renovation

Presently, our Rosary Garden is undergoing renovation and 30 stations need maintenance. The Stations of the Cross as well as the Mysteries of the Rosary stations were in very bad shape, not having been tended to for several vears. The cost of renovating each Station is \$400, resulting in a total cost of \$12,000.

We would like to thank all who supported this renovation.

On Sunday, September 8th, after the 11:00 am Mass, in the parish hall, there will be a meeting with Mr. Piotr Naimski, secretary of state of the Chancellery of the Prime Minister, the procurator of the Polish Government of energy infrastructure, as well as with Minister Antoni Macierewicz, former Minister of National Defence.

OUR LADY OF LUDZMIERZ MARIAN FEAST IN BRAMPTON – Sunday, Sept. 8^t during 1:00pm Solemn Mass. Mass will be led by Fr. Janusz Blazejak OMI. Following the Mass all are invited to parish feast celebration by Our Lady of Ludzmierz House. More information 905 451-1422

MIDLAND WALKING PILGRIMAGE MEETING

Participants of the Walking Pilgrimage to Midland are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving on September 8th at 2:30 p.m., followed by a movie and fellowship in the parish hall. Please bring a small plate of goodies to share with fellow pilgrims.

Canadian Polish Congress Mississauga district cordially invites you to the 'Farewell to Summer Dance', on Saturday, September 21st in JPII Polish Cultural Centre. Delicious Dinner with wine prepared by Jan Gromada, lotery and dancing with hot band 'KOMPOT'. Tickets \$55, Leszek: 416-8047182 and in Centrum – We hope you'll join us & support CPC!

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish **40th Anniversary**

This year St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish celebrates the 40th Anniversary of its establishment and we are invited to:

♦ September 19th - 21st – Retreat with Mr. Jan Budziaszek

• September 28th - October 5th there will be a Marian retreat, according to the Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary of St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort, preached by Polish missionary Father Grzegorz Pawlus, OMI

◆The main celebrations will take place October 6th, and our guest will be **Bishop Wieslaw** Smigiel of Torun.

THE CHURCH COMMITTEE - is comprised

of men and women called to perform various duties at our church i.e. passing the offering baskets during Mass. Their meeting will be held on Friday, September 27th following the evening Mass. We kindly ask our parishioners to join the ranks of service in the Church Committee.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE -

The next marriage preparation course in English is being offered at our parish from October 14th to November 25th 2019. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00pm - 10:00pm. The course consists of 7 sessions, held once a week. The cost is \$100 paid at the first meeting. Sign-up parish office 905 848 2420.

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

MARRIAGE – Couples intending to be married in the Church should make arrangements with the priest one year before the intended wedding date. Completion of a marriage preparation course is obligatory for all couples. The same procedure applies to parishioners wishing to be married outside of Canada. Members who plan to be married in another parish should contact a parish priest to obtain special permission.

ATTENTION SCOUTS – Sign - ups for Wigry & Wieliczka Scouts will take place on Sept. 3rd & 4th & 5th from 6:00-8:00pm in the John Paul II Cultural Centre.

25th ANNIVERSARY OF JOHN PAUL II POLISH CULTURE CENTRE

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Opening of the John Paul II Center, the Maximilian Foundation cordially invites you to a formal dinner on Sunday, Sept. 22 at 11:00am at the JP II Center. Entertainment will be provided by the Lechowia Song and Dance Group, Kinga Mitrowska, Kabaret pod Banka and Kwartet Smyczkowy. Tickets are available at the Center, \$60 per person. Solemn Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church Info: 905 306 9900

RESERVATIONS FOR MASS INTENTIONS for 2020 will start on Wednesday. Sept. 18th from 9:00am - 9:00pm in the parish hall.

FIRST COMMUNION (Grade 2) & CONFIRMATION CLASSES (Grade 7) FOR CHILDREN FROM PUBLIC & **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

Registration for children and youth from Catholic, public and private schools preparing for Sacraments will take place on Sunday, September 15th after each Mass in the parish hall and the week of September 23rd (Monday) - September 27th (Friday) from 6:00pm -8:00pm in Good Shepherd Room.

> For registration we ask to bring: 1. Completed registration form

in our parish),

Detailed information can be found on www.kolbe.ca in the "Liturgy and Sacraments" tab.

Dates of First Communion 2020: May 9th at 4:00pm – English (children wear dresses and suits) May 10th at 2:30pm – Polish (children wear dresses and suits) May 17th at 2:30pm – Polish (children wear albs) Confirmation Saturday, March 21st at 4:00pm Classes start in October 2019 Info. Fr. Pawel

National Shrine & Basilica. Info & sign up

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND ON THE OCCASION OF THE 40th **ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH** October 20th- 28th

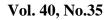
In the program: Nazareth, Cana of Galilee, See of Galilee, Mount of Olives, Oumran National Park, as well as the Way of the Cross, King David's Tomb, Wailing Wall, and Bethlehem and many more. **Info: Polimex Travel** 905 238-6683 ext. 427 (ask for Mira)

> The John Paul II Center is seeking a bartender.

The successful candidate must have a SmartServe certificate; good communication skills with customers as well as knowledge of both English and Polish are obligatory. For more information please call 905-306-9900



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(available on website www.kolbe.ca) 2. Copy of Child's Baptismal Certificate (that includes also children baptized 3. Registration Fee: \$100



PILGRIMAGE TO BUFFALO – Sunday. September 8th - The Rosary Family organizes one day pilgrimage to Buffalo. In Program: American Fatima and Our Lady of Victory Teresa 905 495-7035 or Wieslawa 416 799-2122

Canadian Polish Millennium Fund



Each calendar year, in October, the

Canadian Polish Millennium Fund awards grants to students. Applications for student grants must be of Polish descent that have completed their first year of studies and are currently enrolled in a program of study at a Canadian post-secondary educational institution. The deadline for submission is September 15. All applications and supporting documents must be postmarked no later than the deadline date. Please do not send applications by fax or email, as they will not be considered. Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. Application form can be found at www.millenniumfund.ca

Mass Intentions

	MONDAY, September 2 nd Labour Day
	8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Konrad –
	mother
	19:00 🕏 Bronislawa & Kazimierz Oblak - family
	all deceased from Wachowski family - family
	Krystian Brudek
	TUESDAY, September 3 rd
	Saint Gregory the Great
	8:00 ♀ Ireneusz & Krzysztof Wos – Emilia & family
	19:00 Special intention for God's blessings and for
	guidance for Laval Leunghung
	🕆 father Boguslaw Ulecki – son & daughter &
	family
	WEDNESDAY, September 4 th
	8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Magda &
	Dominik
	🕆 Wanda Kwiatkowski (10 th anniv.)
	19:00 Group Intentions
	THURSDAY, September 5 th
	8:00 Special intention or God's blessings for Dominik on
5	his birthday
2	19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for priests &
	religious men and women - Apostolate "Golden
	Rose"
	Eugenia & Stefan Leonczuk – daughter in law
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