

The world and all its pleasures are temporary. As tempting as these worldly realities are, we are called to conform ourselves to Christ's vision of the good life. In today's Gospel Jesus gives us a glimpse of heaven and it is a vision which brings both consolation and warning. In Luke's account of the Beatitudes, we witness how Jesus heals all those gathered in body and soul while he teaches the multitudes what it means to live in friendship with God. Jesus tells of the blessings we can expect, but he doesn't stop there. For those who remain attached to wealth, physical comforts and the good opinion of others, Jesus reminds us these things will not satisfy the deepest desires of the human heart. Our continued attachment to these things will only cause us misery in this life and the next. In that light, it is worth considering the words of the prophet Jeremiah from today's first reading. Where do we put our faith? Is our trust in the Lord, or elsewhere? Who (or what) commands our loyalty? Let us give thanks to God for the wisdom and transformative power of Christ. Through God's grace may we persevere in following Jesus' example, focused on a vision of what truly counts.

Cheridan Sanders Toronto, ON

First reading: Jeremiah 17.5-8 **Psalm:** Blessed the one who trusts in the Lord. Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12, 16-20

Gospel: Luke 6.17, 20-26

Rose # 15 will lead the rosary this week.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be served today by Kolbe Youth Group.

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

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAMILY DAY

Monday, February 18th. We would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable day.

Baptisms

The following children will receive the Sacrament of **Baptism:**



We welcome those children and congratulate their parents and Godparents

Parish Families Album

For the 40th Anniversary of St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, we would like to prepare a Parish Family Album with pictures of the families of our parish.

This will be a beautiful keepsake, and as well, a good opportunity to get to know each other.

The picture taking sittings will take place Tuesday, March 5th – Friday, March 8th in the parish hall. Monday, March 4th & Saturday, March 9th are already booked. Additionally, there will be an option for picture taking on March 15th & 16th and March 29th & 30th.

During each sitting, one free picture will be taken for the album. You will receive a complimentary album. There will also be an option to purchase pictures and picture packages. You can also purchase more albums for \$25.00 each.

Parishioners are asked to register for photo sittings online, at kolbe.ca or in the parish office. At the same time, today for the last time volunteers and Parish Council members will be helping with registration in the parish hall. More than six hundred families registered for the album already. Thank you!

From the Pulpit

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

This year St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish celebrates the 40th Anniversary of its establishment. Parish Council has prepared many events to thank God for our parish, but what is most important, is to prepare spiritually for this momentous occasion. Among other things, we have planned:

- ♦ Friday, March 1st and Sunday, March 3rd at 8:00pm in the parish hall complimentary screenings of "Fatima, Message for our Times", and a meeting with the director Jaroslaw Manka and Slowomir Skiba, president of the "Polonia Christiana Foundation" of the Institute of Father Piotr Skarga. Free movie tickets will be distributed today - Sunday, February 17th in the parish hall.
- ◆ In September, there will be 3 meetings with Father Professor Sergiusz Nizinski, exorcist from Poznan.
- ♦ The first week of October, 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,
- ◆The main celebrations will take place October 6th, and our guest will be Bishop Wieslaw Smigiel of Torun.

In Short

20th ANNIVERSARY OF YOUTH TEAMS OF OUR LADY - Youth Teams of Our Lady, a youth movement is celebrating its 20th anniversary in Canada. For this reason the group is organizing a fundraising event that both helps the teams and brings our parish community together. Youth Teams of Our Lady in Mississauga will be hosting a children's movie on Monday, February 18th of the family day weekend at 10:00am in the parish hall of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Snacks will be provided and kids can bring a stuffed animal if they'd like to. We are asking for a \$5 donation. Thank vou and God bless!

PRAISE AND WORSHIP GROUP **ADOREMUS** invites you on Friday, February 22nd following the evening Mass from 8:00pm-9:00pm for prayer evening with Mother Mary.

CARNIVAL DANCE organized by the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be held on Saturday, February 23rd at JPII Polish Culture Centre at 4300 Cawthra Rd Music provided by POLANIE. Tickets \$50.00 Info: Jozef 416 908-3801

ANNIVERSARY MASS – February 24th at 11:00am for couples celebrating their wedding anniversary. Please forward the names to the office at 905 848-2420

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE -

The next course will be held from **February** 25th - April 8 2019. Classes will be held on Monday from 8:00pm to 10:00pm, for a total of 7 classes. Sign up - parish office. Cost

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 CONFIRMATION - Meetings for adults preparing for the sacrament of confirmation will take place on following Fridays: March 15th & 22nd & 29th & April 5th at 8:00pm in Sister Faustyna Room (new Catechetical Centre). Classes will be held in Polish. All adults interested are asked to contact the parish office at 905 848 2420. A copy of the baptismal certificate is mandatory upon registration.

Other Events

FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE – Friday, February 22nd we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, which celebrates Christ's choosing of Simon Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church, thus creating the first Pontiff of our Church (Pontiff comes from a Latin word, meaning "bridge builder").

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Messiah, Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Matthew

Pope Francis is the current successor of Peter, the first "bridge builder" of our faith. Please take a moment to pray for our Holy Father and to pray for all of our Bishops, priests and clergy as they are ambassadors of faith and it is through the structure of our church that we too shall prevail to the Kingdom of God.

10th ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE & A MOTHER-DAUGHTER EVENT CALLING ALL GIRLS - Dynamic Women of Faith will be hosting its annual conference for Catholic women on Saturday March 23, 2018 from 8:00am-4:00pm at JPII Polish Cultural Centre in Mississauga with an opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish at 9:10am. There is a mother - daughter event Calling ALL Girls the evening before -Friday, March 22nd from 7:00pm-10:00pm! For more information including registration and location visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com or call 905 907-1042

PILGRIMAGE TO OUEBEC - June 7th - 9th Rosary Family organizes a three day pilgrimage to Shrines of Quebec with an Oblate Father. Info & sign up Teresa 905 495-7035 or Wieslawa 416 799-2122

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FAMILY FUN DAY - today, Sunday, February 17th from 11:00am - 5:00pm at JPII Polish Culture Centre. Attractions for children and adults. Free admission!

POLISH CLOSED TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT - Sunday, February 24th info & registration www.centrumtabletennis.com or Chris at chris.smektala@gmail.com or 416 358-1183 or Chris at chriswspanialy@gmail.com or 647 241-2833

OSTATKI DANCE organized by the John Paul II Cultural Centre will be held on Saturday, March 2nd Music provided by Impuls and dinner by Chef Jan Gromada. Tickets \$55.00 can be purchased by contacting office at 905 306 9900



MONDAY, February 18th Family Day

8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Beata & Renata & Julianna & Amelia on their birthdays

19:00 ♥ Roman Kaminski – wife & children & grandchildren

♣ Rozalia & Stanislaw & Adam

TUESDAY, February 19th

8:00 ♣ Michal Rokosz – son Michal

19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Ruta family - Emilia Strojniak & Wieslaw Bielawski A Marianna & Stanislaw Podolak - family

WEDNESDAY, February 20th

♣ Władysława & Ludwik Tomaszewski - family

19:00 Group Intentions THURSDAY, February 21st

8:00 ♣ Eleonora Galek – son

Special intention for God's blessings and for health

for Nitek & Ucinski & Lobzin families

19:00 Special intention for God's blessings for Maria & Mieczyslaw on their 37th wedding anniversary FRIDAY, February 22nd

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8:00 🕆 Irena & Jozefa & Jozef - family Special intention for God's blessings for Bernadeta on her birthday - parents

19:00 ♣ Michael Warski (1st anniv.) – wife & friends

₽ Jerzy Dzikowski (30th anniv.) – sister & family SATURDAY, February 23rd

Saint Polycarp

8:00 \$\P\$ Jadwiga & Marian Towarek & Kazimierz Daniel

17:00 ♣ Bronislwa Szuber – son & family

19:00 P Zofia & Wladyslaw Jankowski - grandson SUNDAY, February 24th

8:00 Special intention for God's blessings for children

9:30 Special intention for God's blessings for Katarzyna on her 29th birthday - mother

11:00 Intention for couples celebrating their wedding

anniversaries 13:00 Special intention for God's blessings and for health for Nicolas on his 9th birthday – parents &

14:30 🕏 Wanda & Jan Danicki – daughters Joanna &

19:00 ♣ Roman Janusz - daughters