

# 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



There is a reason the old adage “life isn’t fair” is overused. The fact is that this pithy saying is true. The world often feels more random than fair. Sometimes good people seem to be rewarded. Just as often, though, there seems to be no rhyme or reason behind who succeeds or fails.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus relies on simplistic analogies to help our understanding. Humans gravitate towards wealth, so he compares God’s kingdom to a fortune waiting to be found in a field or a pearl of immeasurable value.

His final depiction, as foreign as it may be to anyone who doesn’t work in the fishing industry, is perhaps the most powerful. We can picture the profitable fish being separated from the muck and imagine what it will be like when good and evil are literally partitioned from each other in our world. Victims no longer tormented by vicious perpetrators; the kind-hearted no longer manipulated by the spiteful. Instead, all people will answer for their actions.

It is perhaps the greatest of all images Jesus gives us of God’s kingdom. Perfect justice distributed to all peoples. In God’s kingdom – unlike our world – no one will be the victim of random actions; rather, moral integrity and personal prosperity will always be the rule.

*Andrew Hume; Toronto, ON*

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 3.5-12

**Responsorial Psalm:**

*Lord, how I love your law!*

**Reading:** Romans 8.28-30

**Gospel:** Matthew 13.44-52

**Holy Rosary** is being led by Rose #19.

Today’s **Second Collection** is for the building and renovation fund.

## Parish Bulletin

Please note that we had to cease the distribution of all pamphlets, including the bulletin. From now until further notice our parish bulletin is only available online on our website:

[www.kolbe.ca](http://www.kolbe.ca)

## First Saturday of the month, July 1<sup>st</sup>

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary after the 8 a.m. Mass

## First Sunday of the month, July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Holy Rosary Devotion at 7:30 a.m.

Please arrange for a private exchange of Rosary Mysteries among your group members.

## First Communion

Please pray for the following children who will receive their First Holy Communion this week:

**Zuzanna Blazejowska**  
**Adriana Chambers**  
**Olivia Fialek**  
**Lena Frackiewicz**  
**Victoria Orwinski**  
**Adam Talar**  
**Marta Zygmunt**

May God bless you all!

## The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

**Olivia Addison Andrzejewska**,  
daughter of Ada & Patryk  
**Kamila Ines Meneses**,  
daughter of Patrycja & Aaron  
**Lucas Krystian Ramzia**,  
son of Renata & Michal

We welcome all children to our Church community and congratulate their parents and Godparents.



Please keep in your prayers the following individuals as they receive the Sacraments of Initiation, seek Confirmation, and enter into Full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church:

<b>Andrzej Studziński</b>	<b>Dawid Gunter</b>
<b>Jacob Bleau</b>	<b>Karina Anna Karyś</b>
<b>Jennifer Sandoval Penilla</b>	
<b>Katelyn Hanna</b>	<b>Klaudia Skłodowska</b>
<b>Maja Wasik</b>	<b>Marcio Blanc</b>
<b>Marek Zalwowski</b>	<b>Martine Piraino</b>
<b>Piotr Seniszyn</b>	<b>Rafal Wojtyła</b>
<b>Roger Young</b>	<b>Ryan Ackerman</b>
<b>Szymon Weizenbluth</b>	<b>Zofia Christensen</b>

It is with great joy that we welcome them and thank God for their presence which renews and strengthens our community.

**THANK YOU** to our dedicated RCIA catechists who devoted their time and effort to prepare the catechumens and candidates: **Fr. Marcin Serwin, Fr. Tomasz Jarosz, Dorota Ulman, Gabriela and Michal Kasprzak, and Wojciech Opala.** Thank you for sharing your talents with our parish community.

## New By-Law Requires Mandatory Use of Masks at Church

Thank you for your co-operation and kindness as we have returned to church over these past weeks. It has been so great to see parishioners once again and we thank everyone who has been so helpful in this re-opening stage, especially our wonderful volunteers. Thank you!

As you may have heard in recent days, a new by-law has been passed that makes the use of masks or face coverings inside all public places mandatory. This includes places of worship, so our own church and Chapel of Perpetual Adoration. We ask that all those coming to church bring a mask or face covering and wear it upon entering the church.

## Group Intentions

**Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** Intentions can be submitted by phone during regular office hours. Mass offering can be placed in the offertory box found inside the entrance to the parish office.

## Change of Personnel

After six years of serving our parish, **Sister Karolina Szymkowiak MChR** is moving on to her next assignment, this time at St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish in Brampton. In her place we will welcome **Sister Halina Pierożak MChR**. Details to follow.



**THANK YOU** to our wonderful parishioners who supported us with their delicious and nutritious homemade goodies, as well as other gifts: disinfectants, bottled water, fresh-cut flowers for the church, money for church decorations, a kind word, and a lot of spiritual and moral support. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated. God bless!

## Faithful Departed



The following parishioners passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

✠ **Monika Filipek**, 43  
✠ **Liliana Kvesic**, 50  
✠ **Stanislaw Pergol**, 57  
✠ **Tadeusz Kawa**, 63  
✠ **Lidia Chmielinska**, 66  
✠ **Gladys Piotrowski**, 69  
✠ **Elzbieta Jacuk**, 73  
✠ **Marian Karchut**, 82  
✠ **Ludmila Czorniak**, 84  
✠ **Marcelino Ostrowski**, 100

## Church Opening Protocol

– A Summary –

Our church is open and the faithful can begin to participate in Mass. As always, social distance must be observed. **Inside the church, only seats marked with yellow tape may be occupied.** Please note that occupancy of the church building is significantly reduced. The maximum capacity is as follows: main church – 90; choir loft – 65; hallway – 35; parish hall – 110.

During the pandemic, in all churches in Ontario and in Canada, **Holy Communion** can only be received on the hand. There are absolutely no exceptions in this respect. Also, there will be no music in the church for the next few weeks. The organist will play, but there must be **no singing**. Parish bulletins will also not be printed; they will only be available online.

## Sacraments:

• **Eucharist** – we are back to our regular Mass schedule.

• **Reconciliation** – Monday to Friday, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Catechetical Centre. Face masks are mandatory during confession.

• **First Holy Communion** – please call the parish office if you would like your child to receive their First Holy Communion on a weekday or on Saturday. When and if we receive permission from the Archbishop, we hope to have all other children receive First Holy Communion in September.

• **Confirmation** – postponed until further notice.

• **Baptisms** – take place outside of Mass on Saturdays.

• **Marriage** – may take place in the church as long as social distancing is observed.

## Other:

• **Funeral Mass** can be celebrated in the church in the presence of family and friends. Internment follows at a cemetery.

• The **Chapel of Perpetual Adoration** is open. Maximum 6 people can be present in the chapel.

• The **parish office** is closed but you may call during regular office hours.

• **Face masks** are now mandatory inside contained public spaces.

• **Dispensation** from physical participation in Mass in the church is still in effect. However, we are still obliged to participate in Sunday Mass through the media. If you feel sick or weak, if you have a fever or cough you should not come to church at this time. It is understandable that not everyone will be able to come to church because of the limited space. Mass is still being livestreamed online.

## Groceries for Homebound Seniors

If you are an elderly person and can’t or shouldn’t leave the house, call the parish office and our parish youth will do your grocery shopping for you.

## Sunday Collection

• At the present time, Sunday Offering cannot be collected in a traditional way. However, it will be collected at the end of Mass by members of the Church Committee, who will stand by the exit door of the church and the parish hall. • A secure collection box can also be found by the parish office. • Alternately, donations can be made online at [www.kolbe.ca](http://www.kolbe.ca) by clicking on Donate Now and choosing St. Maximilian Kolbe Church from the list of parishes. • If you’re supporting our Building and Renovation Fund, please place your offertory envelope in the collection basket by the exit door.

**Thank you for your continued support. May God Bless you.**



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— Cardinal Thomas Collins

**This is the final weekend of the ShareLife Parish Campaign. Please make a sacrificial gift through your parish or [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org) before July 31.**

Dear Friends of the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre  
[www.jp2pcc.ca](http://www.jp2pcc.ca)



Our Center closed on March 17 due to Covid-19. This is a temporary condition and we very much hope that we will be able to resume our activities soon. Despite being closed, we’ve been working hard thanks to the help of our wonderful volunteers and people of good will. We did some cleaning and small repairs. Our Center has not been renovated for quite a long time and currently requires major investments. Since it supports itself by renting its rooms and facilities – which is not happening at this time – we need your generosity and help more than ever. Please consider supporting us through GoFundMe page at <https://gf.me/u/x6vypag>. We are also looking for sponsors, professionals, and handymen willing to help with renovations.

Please keep in mind that the primary and sole owner of the John Paul II Polish Cultural Center is the **Maximilian Kolbe Foundation in Mississauga**, and not the St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. The status of the Foundation reserves the right to property, which does not allow the sale of the Polish Cultural Center for as long as at least one Pole lives in Canada.

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, July 27<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Franciszek Rabianski – wife with children  
19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Granddaughter Alicja Lewandowska, husband Henryk Bujnowski, and son Henryk Bujnowski

### TUESDAY, July 28<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Aniela Sroka – daughter with family  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ For gifts of the Holy Spirit for Jakub Kosiba on his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday – grandparents

### WEDNESDAY, July 29<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Stanislaw Gawron – daughter with family  
19<sup>00</sup> *Group Intentions*

### THURSDAY, July 30<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Marianna Moleda (3th anniv.) – daughter  
19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Tomasz & Aniela Koczwaro and Wawrzyniec & Weronika Kuziora – daughter with family

### FRIDAY, July 31<sup>st</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Romuald Czarnota – family  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ For God’s blessing for grandchildren in the new school year – grandmother

### SATURDAY, August 1<sup>st</sup>

**76<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising**  
8<sup>00</sup> ○ For members of the Holy Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate  
17<sup>00</sup> ○ For God’s blessing and health for Klaudia and Marcin – parents  
19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Bozena & Andrzej Rzycki – family

### SUNDAY, August 2<sup>nd</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ○ For members of the Holy Rosary Family  
9<sup>30</sup> ✠ Joseph, Paulina, Edward, Iris Chmiel, and Fred Philchuk – family  
11<sup>00</sup> ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors  
13<sup>00</sup> ✠ Deceased members of the Hofman, Arbski, and Kolatek families  
14<sup>30</sup> ✠ Anna Karp, Joanna Krysz, and Janina & Jan Bodys – family  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ For God’s blessing for Katarzyna & Sebastian on their 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary – parents

## Parish Bulletin Advertisements

If you are interested in advertising your business in our parish bulletin beginning in October 2020, please contact the parish office to place your name on a waiting list. We will contact you as soon as space becomes available.



**Canadian Martyrs’ Shrine** in Midland, Ontario will remain closed until May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Please visit [www.martyrs-shrine.com](http://www.martyrs-shrine.com) for more information.