

Reflection

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" The harsh words that begin today's first reading are, unfortunately, as relevant for our modern world as when they were first written. The "shepherds" with responsibility for many public institutions and governments today so often seem motivated by greed and hunger for power rather than concern for the common good. Saddest of all is the global scourge of abuse within the churches, which has left many people disheartened, disillusioned and unable to trust.

Sometimes it is very hard to cling to hope. Today's readings, however, draw our attention to the source of our hope, the one who will never abandon us, the "righteous Branch" in the house of David. Christ Jesus, the reading from Ephesians assures us, is "our peace," the one who has "broken down the dividing wall...the hostility between us." As Jesus called both Jews and Gentiles alike, so he calls us to reach across all the various barriers that we humans have constructed.

When we feel crushed and helpless because of the neglect, violence and abuses that human beings inflict on one another, may we turn to Jesus the peacemaker, the reconciler, the healer of all ills. By learning from him how to become peacemakers and healers ourselves, we can take steps towards mending our broken and suffering world.

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, ON

First Reading: Jeremiah 23.1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2.13-18

Gospel: Mark 6.30-34

COVID-19 and Our Parish

We are happy to announce that our church is once again open for in-person celebrations. Please note the following guidelines for implementation as of July 16, 2021.

All Masses are held indoors, except for the 11 o'clock high Mass on Sunday, which is celebrated on the church parking lot, with no limit of people in attendance. If you are coming for the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, please park near the Rosary Garden.

- For sacramental celebrations, in Step 3, there is no capacity limit for places of worship. However, physical distancing of 2 metres is still required between parishioners attending Mass who are not from the same household.
- Livestreaming of services and dispensation from physical participation in the Sunday Eucharist continues. The elderly, those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be encouraged to exercise extreme caution about any outings, including attendance at church.
- Funerals take place from Monday to Friday in the morning.
- **Baptisms** take place outside of Mass, on Saturday mornings.
- Meetings in parish halls or other indoor spaces are permitted in Step 3. Attendance may not exceed 50% of meeting space capacity. Participants must be masked and physically distanced. In addition, a sign-in sheet for meetings should be provided for the purposes of contact tracking. Meals and food services at meetings is discouraged at this time.
- Most up-to-date information is always communicated at the end of Mass. Please listen carefully.
- When leaving a message on the parish answering machine, remember to include your name and phone number.
- Local municipal by-laws remain in place mask use indoor should continue at this time, even for those who are fully vaccinated.

Polish Donuts are Back!

Once again, Oblate Youth will be selling Polish donuts this Sunday. Look for them on the parking lot, near the garage. Enjoy some paczki while they last.

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Jameson Andrzej McCaul son of Anna & Ryan

Klara Marianna Skoruch daughter of Maria & Sylwester

Luka Wozniak

son of Angelika & Rafal

Stefan Karol Reitmeier son of Joanna & Marek

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

The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for

Nicole Lewczuk, daughter of Renata & Andrzej & Lukasz Jach, son of Anna & Janusz

Veronica Kosinska, daughter of Iwona & Ireneusz & Filip Kedzierski, son of Beata & Miroslaw

Ewelina Chojecka, daughter of Teresa & Marek & Matthew Markudis, son of Zofia & Waldemar

Jennifer Wotherspoon, daughter of Linda & William & Patrick Blazejewicz, son of Helen & Richard

Anna Swiatowiec, daughter of Regina & Ryszard & Mateo Ikonomi, son of Clarita & Anesti

Melissa Masternak, daughter of Danuta & Wladyslaw & Kevin Neverson,

son of Roseclare & Kosmore

who are preparing for Holy Matrimony.

Sacrament of Marriage

Parishioners who wish to marry in the Roman Catholic Church must contact the parish office to open a wedding file and obtain a list of required documents. This must be done one year prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. In addition, marriage preparation course is mandatory for all couples intending to be married in the Roman Catholic Church.

Confession

Sacrament of reconciliation is available 30 minutes before each Mass and takes place in the accessible confessional next to the elevator and in the staircase on the north side of the church building. Face masks are mandatory.

OBLATE WORLD MISSIONS Missionary Association of Mary Immaculate - MAMI

Coffee from Madagascar

Friends of the Missions (MAMI) in collaboration with Oblate Youth Canada invite you to support Malagasy families by purchasing **coffee** (\$12) from mission countries. There is a wide range of flavours available, and all proceeds help provide tuition, school supplies, daily meals, and medicine for children and their families in Madagascar. To make a purchase, please see Oblate Youth on Sunday after Mass, or contact the parish office at (905) 848-2420. Thank you for your support.

Mass Intentions

Please note that there are no individual Mass intentions available at our parish. However, Wednesday evening Mass is offered for multiple intentions. These may be requested by calling the parish office.

Evening Prayer

In July and August, there will be no evening prayer at 9 p.m.



Offertory Envelopes 2022

In August, we have to place an order for offertory envelopes

for the year 2022. We kindly ask families who have not picked up their set this year, but would like to use the envelopes next year, to contact the parish via email: kolbe@kolbe.ca or by phone: (905) 848-2420.

Parish Office

Parish office is still closed to the public, but you may always call and leave a message. Remember to include your name and phone number.

Hospital Visits

Please note that a hospital chaplain – a Roman Catholic priest – is available 24 hours a day. To arrange a visit from a priest, please ask a nurse to call the priest on duty. Parish priests are currently not allowed to visit hospitals.

Fr. Stan Bak Library Book Fair

Fr. Stan Bak Library is hosting a Book Fair this Sunday, **July 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** at the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre. All are welcome!

Scholarship Applications The Canadian Polish Millennium Fund



The Canadian Polish Millennium Fund is offering grants to students of Polish descent who 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, 2021**. All applications and supporting documents must be postmarked no later than the deadline date. Incomplete applications, applications sent by e-mail, or applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Application forms can be obtained from www.millenniumfund.ca and once complete, should be mailed to:

Canadian Polish Millennium Fund Fundusz Wieczysty Milenium 3055 Lakeshore Blvd. W. Toronto, Ontario M8V 1K6

For further information, please contact the organizers at: www.millenniumfund.ca cpmf@millenniumfund.ca / cpmf@kpk.org (416) 532-1921

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Memorials and Feasts

July 20th ● Saint Apollinaris was one of the first great martyrs.

July 21st • Saint Lawrence of Brindisi was named a Doctor of the Church in 1959.

July 22nd ● Saint Mary Magdalena was a faithful follower of the Lord.

July 23rd ● Throughout her life, Saint Bridget received visions and dreams and possessed gifts of prophecy and healing.

July 24th • Saint Sharbel Makhlūf is known for his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

MONDAY, July 19th

8⁰⁰ Prayszard Plewa – Teresa & Edward Gil 19⁰⁰ Prayszard Plewa – Teresa & Edward Gil

TUESDAY, July 20th

- 8⁰⁰ ♦ Maria Obrochta (2nd anniv.) Krystyna Dix and family
- 19⁰⁰ For better health for Richard Joseph & John George Budzinski

WEDNESDAY, July 21st

8⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for Bozena Dybas on her 60th birthday and for God's continued blessing, Mother Mary's protection, and health – Anna & Andrzej with children 19⁰⁰ ○ Group Intentions

THURSDAY, July 22nd

- 8⁰⁰ ♥ Wanda & Stanislaw Malek son with family
- 19⁰⁰ ♣ Andrzej Piotr and Eugenia Wisniewski family

FRIDAY, July 23rd

- 8⁰⁰ 🕏 Janina & Antoni Soczek daughter-inlaw with children
- 19⁰⁰ Stefan Dziewiecki (3rd anniv.) and members of the Wasik, Czudziak, and Wojtowicz families

SATURDAY, July 24th

- 8⁰⁰ ♣ Stanislaw Gawron and Tadeusz Gawron
 son with family
- 17⁰⁰ In thanksgiving for Feliks on his 3rd birthday and for God's continued blessing and Mother Mary's protection grandmother
- 19⁰⁰ ♣ Karol Kurpaska (20th anniv.) wife and children with families

SUNDAY, July 25th

- 8⁰⁰ ♣ Kazimierz Krawczyk (6th anniv.)
- 9³⁰ Aniela Wasik (20th anniv.) son
- 11⁰⁰ For Parishioners and Benefactors
- 13⁰⁰ ♣ Aleksandra Dzielska and Anna Blachuta

 Niemiec family
- 14³⁰ ♥ Jan Nowek (3rd anniv.) wife, children, grandchildren
- 19⁰⁰ For God's blessing and Mother Mary's protection for Katarzyna & Dariusz Smolko on their 23rd wedding anniversary

Rosary Intention for July

We pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Parish Website

www.kolbe.ca