

Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives one of the greatest parting speeches in history. In a few sentences, he makes several important points. There are many takeaways from this speech, but let us focus on three in particular.

First, if we love Christ, it must come through in how we act. It is not enough to say, "I love Jesus." Rather, that love must be made manifest through our actions, just as Christ showed his love through his sacrifice on the cross.

Second, we need help. We are frequently predisposed towards jealousy, anger, lust, greed, and selfishness. If we truly desire to consistently act like Christ, we need assistance. We need the Holy Spirit. So often, the Holy Spirit is the least focused-on member of the Holy Trinity. However, Jesus implores us to seek the Holy Spirit's help and guidance. Without the Holy Spirit, we may succumb to our less-than-noble inclinations.

Finally, Christ reminds us that God the Father is infinite glory and greatness, far beyond human comprehension. Jesus tells us that his departure from this world to God shouldn't elicit misery but happiness. So too, we should celebrate all the saints who are in communion with God and excitedly await the time when we will stand in the infinite light of Almighty God.

Andrew Hume; Toronto, ON

First Reading: Acts 15.1-2, 22-29

Responsorial Psalm:

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Second Reading: Rev. 21.10-14, 22-23

Gospel: John 14.23-29

Second Collection

May 21/22 – Pope's Pastoral Works May 28/29 – Building Fund Thank you for your generosity.



Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Loreto Litany) daily at 6:30 p.m.

St. Eugene de Mazenod Memorial Day

On **Saturday, May 21**, the Church celebrates the memorial of St. Eugene de Mazenod, founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Marcus Liam Chambers Klapacz, son of Julie & Marius

We welcome Marcus to our Church community and congratulate his parents and Godparents.

First Holy Communion



This Sunday, 20 children in our parish will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist for the very first time. Please keep them in your prayers as

they celebrate their special day. A big THANK YOU to all catechists who helped prepare the children for the sacrament of Holy Eucharist: S. Halina Pierożak, Claudia Kapturkiewicz, and Nicole Cislo. May God bless them for their hard work, give them the wisdom to continue to teach, and the joy to proclaim the Good News of salvation.

Thank You

Thank you to the owners of Eddie's European Meat and Deli Market for their generous sponsorship of bread for the 100 children who received their First Holy Communion.

Coffee and Donuts

This **Sunday**, **May 22**, coffee and donuts will be served by Friends of the Missions (MAMI).

Victoria Day Monday, May 23

Friends of the Missions – MAMI

Friends of the Missions (MAMI) will meet in Sister Faustina Room on **Thursday, May 26** after the evening Mass.

Evening of Praise

Adoremus Prayer Group is hosting an evening of praise on **Friday, May 27** after the evening Mass. Join us for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and joyful praise.

S. Halina's Jubilee Celebration

Sister Halina Pierożak is celebrating the 25th anniversary of religious life. Please join us for Holy Mass in the intention of Sister Halina on **Saturday**, **May 28 at 7 p.m.** All are welcome.

Anniversary of Holy Communion

Children who have received their First Holy Communion in 2020 and 2021 are invited to a solemn Holy Mass on **Sunday, May 29 at 1 p.m.** Children should come dressed in their communion albs, dresses, suits, or in their "Sunday Best" and meet in the parish hall at 12:40 p.m. If any child would like to participate by reading during Mass or carrying offertory gifts, please contact the parish office.

International Children's Day

On the occasion of the International Children's Day, all children are invited to the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre for a day of games, food, and prizes. This event will take place on **Sunday, May 29 from 10** a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Confession

30 min. before each Mass.

Anointing of the Sick

- Please contact the parish office if you or your loved one requite a home visit from a priest.
- A hospital chaplain a Roman Catholic priest is on-call 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.

The Sacrament of Marriage



Please join us in praying for...

Katarzyna Partyka, daughter of Zofia & Jozef & Rafal Wojtyla, son of Boguslawa & Janusz

Christina Palumbo, daughter of Lisa & Fiovo & Brandon Stasi, son of Aneta & Tony

...as they prepare for Holy Matrimony.

Domestic Church Family Retreat

Engaged and sacramentally married couples who wish to grow in holiness and learn more about Domestic Church, are invited to a retreat **in English**.

- **When:** June 24 − 26, 2022.
- Where: St. John Paul II Retreat Centre, Port Burwell, Ontario
- **Highlights:** Sports and activities for children and youth. Food and lodging included. Time with your spouse to encounter God. Time for prayer and adoration. Fun for the whole family.



What is Domestic Church? It is a long-term formation for sacramentally married couples seeking to grow in holiness together and with other couples. Couples start off attending an Evangelization Retreat and then join a circle of 4-7 other couples and a priest. Each circle meets once a month in the homes of its members to pray together and discuss their spiritual growth and formation materials. Learn more by attending the information session or contacting us.

Contact: Marta & Jacek Nawrot domestic.church.ontario@gmail.com (519) 896-8979

- OTHER NEWS -

Our Church is Open

On March 1, 2022, capacity limits and physical distancing requirements were lifted for places of worship in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Cardinal Collins writes: "The Eucharist remains the source and summit of our life in Christ. For Christians, participation in the Sunday Eucharist is the central experience of the week, and that is the foundation for the obligation of every Catholic to be personally present at Mass every Sunday. Of course, if there is a legitimate reason (such as being sick) this obligation does not apply."

St ShareLife

 ${\bf Living\ the\ Gospel\ through\ Share Life}$

Our parishioners' support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need. Please make your donation via the parish website, at sharelife.org, or during the ShareLife Sunday special collection on June 5.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 416-934-3411 or slife@archtoronto.org.

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Parish Office Hours

Monday: closed

Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Thursday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. – 12 noon

Sunday: closed

Lunch break: 12 noon – 1 p.m.

Pope's Rosary Intention for May

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Holy Rosary will be led by Rose #31

- MASS INTENTIONS -

MONDAY

May 23rd

- 8⁰⁰ ♣ Stanislaw, Jozef, Henryka Golec and Stanislawa Brzozowska
- 18³⁰ May Devotion
- 1900 P Heidi and Otto von Staffeldt
- ₱ Beata Degowska (3rd anniv.)

TUESDAY

May 24th

- 8⁰⁰ ♣ Leonarda and Ryszard Binkiewicz
- 18³⁰ May Devotion
- 19⁰⁰ For God's blessing and health for Michal and Pior
 - ₱ Maria and Jozef Jemiolo

WEDNESDAY

May 25th

- 800 o For God's blessing, gifts of the Holy Spirit, and Mother Mary's protection for sisters: Teresa, Wanda, Romualda and their families
- 🕆 Bronislawa and Stefan Wszeborowski
- 18³⁰ May Devotion
- 19⁰⁰ For the grace of faith, hope, and love for all children who have received their First Holy Communion

THURSDAY

May 26th

- 800 For God's continued blessing for brother Piotr on his birthday and for mom on her special day
- 1830 May Devotion
- 19⁰⁰ ♣ Aleksandra and Boleslaw Sokolowski

 In thanksgiving for all graces received and for gifts of the Holy Spirit for Mateusz Kosiba on his 3rd birthday
 - o For Friends of the Missions (MAMI)

FRIDAY

May 27th

- 18³⁰ May Devotion
- 1900 For Mother Mary's protection and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Marek, Victoria,
 Olivia, and Bernadetta on her birthday
 - Anna and Franciszek Bajerle and Helena and Jozef Rzechowka

SATURDAY

May 28th

- 8⁰⁰ **♣** Jozef Portka and Roman Krupski 17⁰⁰ ○ Barbara Wawrzusiak (12th anniv.)
- 18³⁰ May Devotion
- 19⁰⁰ ♣ Marianna and Roch Glen and members of the Glen, Grelak, and Kida families

SUNDAY

May 29th

8⁰⁰ & Krystyna & Stanislaw Nowak 9³⁰ & Stanislaw Dudek (15th anniv.)

11⁰⁰ • For Parishioners and Benefactors

13⁰⁰ ♣ Stanislaw Kosalka (23rd anniv.)

14³⁰ ♣ Danuta (4th anniv.) and Zygmunt (23rd anniv.) Kluszczynski

18³⁰ May Devotion

19⁰⁰ • For God's blessing and health for daughter Magdalena Zegan on her birthday