

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Reflection

Today's Gospel is about curiosity. Imagine the scene – Jesus was passing through town. And one of the people in the town was curious. Presumably Zacchaeus had a relatively successful life, as Luke describes him as rich. And yet he was seeking something more. In the same way, we may pray for more.

So how did he act on his curiosity? Did he allow his being short in stature (i.e., lacking something) to stop him from seeking something that he wanted? No, he climbed a tree, in the same way a child climbs a tree to explore more of the world.

And despite his faults – for Zacchaeus was a sinner – Jesus insisted he must stay at his house. The gift of Jesus simply coming to visit him at his house led to a profound self-understanding. In response to this gift, the rich man decided to give to the poor. Jesus announced his salvation, providing the man with another gift. This is significant, as is not salvation the ultimate gift which we are all looking to receive? The end for which we always pray to be granted to one another?

Let us go forth today, curious about the gifts that Jesus has for us. Perhaps his presence in our house is the answer to the prayer that is at the root of our curiosity.

John O'Brien; Oakville, ON

First Reading: Wisdom 11.22-12.2

Responsorial Psalm:

*I will bless your name for ever,
my King and my God.*

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1.11-2.2

Gospel: Luke 19.1-10

Second Collection

This weekend – Building Fund
Thank you for your support.

– THIS WEEKEND –



Rosary Devotion

Thank you to all those who prayed the rosary with us in October. If you haven't had a chance to join us for this beautiful devotion, consider praying with us on:

Sun. Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 31, 6:30 p.m.

Prayers at Local Cemeteries



Prayers on the occasion of the Solemnity of All Saints Day and All Souls Day will be held at local cemeteries this **Sunday, October 30.**

- 2 p.m. Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby
Meadowvale Cemetery, Brampton
- 2:30 p.m. Queen of Heaven, Brampton
- 3 p.m. Mount Hope, Toronto
Park Lawn, Toronto
Sanctuary, Toronto
- 4 p.m. Assumption, Mississauga
St. John's, Mississauga
St. Mary's, Mississauga
Mount Peace, Mississauga
Thornton, Oshawa

Memorial Candles



Altar Servers are selling memorial candles after each Mass. These candles can be lit in remembrance of our loved ones who have passed away into eternity. **For safety reasons, candles may only be lit by the statue of John Paul II. No candles should be lit near the Missionary Cross or by the Divine Mercy statue.**

Coffee and Donuts

This **Sunday, October 30**, coffee and donuts will be served by the Holy Rosary Family.

Fall Back – Spring Forward



Daylight Saving Time ends on **Sunday, November 6 at 2 a.m.** Remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to sleep on Saturday and enjoy an extra hour of sleep.

– COMING UP –

Wypominki

The church prays for all the faithful departed, especially in November, when we join together to pray for those who repent in Purgatory. If you would like to include your loved ones in this prayer, please list their names on memorial envelopes and deposit them into a special box found on the steps of the sanctuary. Memorial Mass will be celebrated on:

- **Tuesday, November 1**
8 a.m., 10 a.m., 5 p.m. (English), 7 p.m.
- **Wednesday, November 2**
8 a.m., 10 a.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m.

Rosary for the Faithful Departed

As a parish community, we will pray the Rosary for the souls of all faithful departed. Join us from **November 1st to 8th at 6:30 p.m.**

All Saints Dance

All Saints Dance will take place this **Monday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.** in the parish hall. We wish to promote festivities based on Christian values and help the children celebrate All Saints Day – a day full of happiness and joy. For this reason, we ask that children dress up as positive characters, such as saints, animals, community workers.

Businesses and private individuals wishing to sponsor nut-free sweets for this occasion are asked to bring them to the parish office or to the sacristy after Mass. Please include your name/business name with the donation, so that we can thank you in the November bulletin.

Upcoming Devotions

First Thursday of the month, November 3
Prayer for vocations at 6:30 p.m.

First Friday of the month, November 4
Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus after the 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses.
Confession starts at 6 p.m.

First Saturday of the month, November 5
Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary after the 8 a.m. Mass

First Sunday of the month, November 6
Holy Rosary Devotion at 7:15 a.m.

Kolbe Seniors Club

Seniors are invited for Mass on **Tuesday, November 8 at 10 a.m.** followed by a meeting at the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre.

– CONGRATULATIONS –

The Sacrament of Baptism

Through the sacrament of baptism, **Lilia Caroline Czechowski**, daughter of Caroline and Adam, will be initiated into the Catholic faith and welcomed into our parish community. We congratulate her parents and Godparents.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Today at the 11 a.m. Mass, we pray for God's grace and blessing for the following couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries:

- 55th Wiktoria & Lesław Górnik
Danuta & Daniel Korpula
Halina & Roman Szczepan
- 50th Teresa & Ryszard Jablonski
Teresa & Maciej Kaczmarczyk
Zofia & Eugeniusz Klich
Janina & Kazimierz Plewa
Anna & Andrzej Sukta
Sabina & Jan Szutka
Irena & Henryk Tomczyk
- 48th Krystyna & Wiesław Figlasz
Eugenia & Józef Minda
- 45th Urszula & Mirosław Ryl
- 43rd Mariola & Kazimierz Brozda
- 40th Jadwiga & Marek Baczyński
- 35th Marta & Jarosław Romaniuk
- 31st Anna & Marek Stecki
- 30th Małgorzata & Marian Poltyn
- 15th Barbara & Marcin Huk
Małgorzata & Arkadiusz Sukta

– FAITHFUL DEPARTED –



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

- ✠ Jan Rogalski, 91
- ✠ Roman Onak, 84
- ✠ Teresa Mroz, 74
- ✠ Helena Janczura, 70
- ✠ Kazimierz Jakacki, 68
- ✠ Bogdan Ross, 65
- ✠ Rafał Musiał, 61
- ✠ Krzysztof Tulak, 61
- ✠ Barbara Kowalczyk, 58

– DON'T MISS –

Catechesis (grades 3 and 4)

Bilingual catechesis for children in grades 3 and 4 will be offered on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Registration forms are available on the parish website in the "Liturgy and Sacraments / First Communion" tab. Deadline for registration is this **Monday, October 31.** Information: S. Halina (647) 205-7297

40 Days for Life

Help defend life from conception to natural death by joining us for 40 Days for Life – an International Chain of Prayer that takes place daily until November 6, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in front of the Women's Abortion Clinic at 101 Queensway West, across the street from the hospital. Our parish prays every Sunday.

For more information visit
www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga
or email: kolbeprayprolife@gmail.com

Baptisms at Our Parish

Parishioners who to baptize their child at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church should contact the parish office at least 6 weeks in advance. Parents and godparents are required to attend a baptism preparation course, which takes place in our parish.

Offertory Envelopes

All those who wish to financially support our parish are encouraged to use offertory envelopes. Regular donors pick up their set of envelopes at the beginning of December; new users are asked to contact the parish office in October. Church donations are tax deductible; receipts are mailed out at the end of February.



Suite for Independence

Friday, November 11 at 7 p.m.
at John Paul II Cultural Centre.

Novi Singers Toronto, under the direction of Maciej Jaskiewicz, are hosting a concert on the occasion of Poland's Independence featuring the world premiere of "Jazz Suite Migration" by Jacek Pelc. Special guests include Cassandra Warner (soprano), Bartosz Hadala, Eric St. Laurent, Maurizio Rolli and Paweł Pacanowski. Tickets available at www.eventbrite.ca, Polish Cultural Centre, Pegaz Bookstore, Starsky 2.

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY October 31st

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Aleksandra Sudol – son and family
- 18³⁰ **Rosary Devotion**
- 19⁰⁰ ✠ Janina and Romuald (3rd anniv.)
✠ Karol Warych and members of the Warych family – parents and brother

TUESDAY November 1st

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes
- 10⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes
- 17⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes
- 18³⁰ **Rosary for all Faithful Departed**
- 19⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes

WEDNESDAY November 2nd

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes
- 10⁰⁰ ✠ Faithful departed listed on memorial envelopes
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THURSDAY November 3rd

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Danuta Fedko (2nd anniv.) – Antonina
✠ Members of the Kolatek, Arabski, and Hofman families
- 18³⁰ **Rosary for all Faithful Departed**
- 19⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing for all priests and religious – Gold Rose Apostolate

FRIDAY November 4th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Irena Rembecka – son and family
- 10⁰⁰ ✠ Andrzej Smola – wife
- 18³⁰ **Rosary for all Faithful Departed**
- 19⁰⁰ ✠ Józef Taborowski – daughter Maria

SATURDAY November 5th

- 8⁰⁰ ○ For members of the Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate
- 17⁰⁰ ✠ Janina and Tadeusz Mis – son and family
- 18³⁰ **Rosary for all Faithful Departed**
- 19⁰⁰ ✠ Tadeusz Wojcik – children and families

SUNDAY November 6th

- 8⁰⁰ ○ For members of the Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate
- 9³⁰ ✠ Monika and Zdzisław Sławski – son and family
- 11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
- 13⁰⁰ ✠ Anna and Stanisław – son and family
✠ Rafał Musiał – Radość-Joy Ensemble
- 14³⁰ ✠ Teofil, Piotr, Kornelia Kurzatkowski; Helena, Piotr Godlewski; Natalia, Jan Wajdzik; souls in purgatory
- 18³⁰ **Rosary for all Faithful Departed**
- 19⁰⁰ ✠ Władysława and Jan Cabaj – son and family

Pope's Rosary intention for November

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.