# I am the Way the Truth and the Life

### Reflection

It is easy to find ourselves lost in these ever-troubled times. There are so many voices about, pulling us in different directions. It is easy to lose our way, be confused about the right course of action, and doubt our sense of purpose as Christians.

In today's Gospel, Jesus hears a similar confusion coming from some of the apostles themselves, who should know better than anyone. Despite all that they have experienced and all that they have heard, Thomas and Philip are still confronted by feelings of uncertainty and doubt, even given all that Jesus has said and all his life exemplifies.

having heard the gospel message so often that we become inured to it and its impact on our lives. Jesus might say to us, as he did to them: "Have I been with you all this time...and you still do not know me?"

Yet Jesus is also quick to allay our fears. He tells us that he has gone ahead to prepare a dwelling place for us in his father's house. He assures us that he will come again to take us to himself, comforting us as we need only remember that Jesus is the way, and the truth, and the life.

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First Reading: Acts 6.1-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** 

Let your love be upon us, Lord; even as we hope in you.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2.4-9

**Gospel:** John 14.1-12

### **Second Collection**

May 13/14 – Pope's Pastoral Works Thank you for your generosity.

# **Rosary Prayer**

Rose #22 leads the rosary this week.

# - THIS WEEKEND -

### **Retreat on the Eucharist**

Led by Patrycja Hurlak

### May 6/7

Testimony of conversion during all Polish Sunday Masses

### May 8-10 at 7 p.m.

Mass and retreat talk, followed by a meet-and-greet in the parish hall. This event is in Polish.

# The Sacrament of Baptism

Through the sacrament of baptism, the following children will be initiated into the Catholic faith and welcomed into our parish community. We congratulate their parents and Godparents.

Julian Wiecki,

son of Anita and Pawel

Noah Anthony Beltramini, son of Nicole and Adam

### **World Youth Day Fundraising**

For us, our uncertainty may stem from This Sunday, youth who are travelling to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day are selling coffee, donuts, and hot meals. They are also collecting empty alcohol containers. These may be dropped off by the garage door on the west side of the parking lot.

# - MAY -THE MONTH OF MARY

# Loreto Litany

Join us as we pray the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Loreto Litany) daily at 6:30 p.m.

### **Fatima Devotions**

Join us for Fatima Devotions on Saturday, May 13. After the evening Mass, we will walk in procession to the Rosary Garden. Please bring a candle.

### The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for the following couple as they prepare to enter into Holy Matrimony.

Caroline Smolko,

daughter of Katarzyna and Dariusz & Damian Milczarski, son of Bożena and Jan

# - COMING UP -

### Meetings

### **Knights of Columbus**

Tuesday, May 9, 7 p.m. Mass and exchange of Rosary Mysteries for Rose #17, followed by a meeting at John Paul II Centre

### **Secular Franciscans**

Saturday, May 13, 12 - 2 p.m. in Fr. Eugene Room

### March for Life in Ottawa

Kolbe ProLife will be taking part in a National March for Life in Ottawa on Thursday, May 11. For more information, please contact Dariusz at (647) 864-6099.

# **Evening of Adoration and Praise**

Adoremus Prayer Group and Kolbe ProLife are hosting an evening of adoration and praise on Friday, May 12 after the evening Mass. All are welcome.

### First Holy Communion

This month, children will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist on the following Saturday, May 13 at 4 p.m. days: Sunday, May 14 at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 21 at 2:30 p.m.

### White Week

Monday, May 22 – Friday, May 26, 7 p.m.

# **Anniversary of Holy Communion**

Sunday, May 28 at 1 p.m.

### **Vocations Retreat**

"Is God calling me to serve in His vineyard?" Vocation retreat for young men will take place on May 19-20 at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road in Mississauga. If you're interested in attending, please contact Fr. Marcin at mserwin@omiap.org

### **Parish Banauet**

Youth traveling to Portugal for World Youth Day, in partnership with Knights of Columbus #9612, are organizing a banquet on **June 3 at 6:30 p.m.** Join them for dinner, lottery, and artistic program. Tickets at \$70 per person can be purchased on Sunday in the parish hall and in the parish office during office hours.

### **Evening of Worship**

An evening of worship with a Polish singer, songwriter, and composer – Viola Brzezinska - will take place on the evening of Corpus Christi, Saturday, June 10 at 8 p.m.

# - PARISH NEWS -

### **Personnel Changes**

A reminder that effective June 16, 2023 Fr. Jacek Nosowicz becomes the Provincial of Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate of Assumption Province. The new pastor of our parish will be **Fr. Bogdan Osiecki**. We will also be joined Fr. Piotr Nowak who will serve as an associate pastor. Please keep our priests in your prayers.

### Lost and Found

If you have lost items in the church, please take a moment and look through the lost and found shelf located in the church hallway, beside the large wooden door. More precious items, such as prescription glasses and keys are kept in the parish office. Stop by during office hours.

# Who is a parishioner?

There are many individuals who call the parish office asking for a letter confirming that he or she is a parishioner. When this happens, our parish secretary checks if they are registered; oftentimes they are not. So what makes a person a parishioner?

Ours is an ethnic faith community serving Catholics of Polish descent. This means that in order to be a parishioner, one needs to formally register at the parish. You are not a parishioner because your parents go here. You are not a parishioner just because you come to Mass here, or because you received sacraments here. You are a parishioner if you officially register here. Being a parishioner means that you are committed and invested in this parish, and are willing to share your time, talents, and treasures with the parish.

Registration forms can be found in the hallway of the church and in the parish office.

# **Passion Play DVDs**

Passion Play DVDs from Palm Sunday's performance are available for purchase on Sundays in the sacristy and in the parish office during office hours. Proceeds from the sale of the DVDs will help cover the costs of the production. Thank you for your support.

### **Perpetual Adoration Chapel**

Come spend an hour in prayer in the presence of the Holy Eucharist where Jesus Christ is truly present in His body, blood, soul, and divinity. Since many regular "adorers" are going away on vacation, we are in need of individuals willing to take their spot. If you are able to help out, please call the coordinator, Margaret, at (647) 888-7487.

# - COMMUNITY EVENTS - - MASS INTENTIONS -

# Silver Jubilee St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish

St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish in Brampton is celebrating its 25th anniversary on Sunday. May 14 with a 12:30 p.m. Mass presided by His Grace Francis Leo, Archbishop of Toronto. Celebrations continue with a banquet at Millennium Gardens Banquet Centre in Brampton. Please see detailed program on posters at the entrance to the church. Tickets at \$100 per person can be purchased at St. Eugene Parish during office hours (905) 451-1422, or between Sunday Masses in the church hallway. (2)

# **Job Offer**

John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre is looking for a highly enthusiastic, motivated, and seasoned management professional, with a vision to advance the Centre to the next level of service excellence and engagement with the community. The individual possesses skills, qualifications and experience leading large and complex community organizations, planning, and organizing various events and managing building operations. For more information, please contact the Centre at (905) 306-9900. (3)

### **Thank You**

Quovadis Children's Foundation would like to thank parishioners for their numerous gifts and monetary offerings. Last Sunday, the Foundation collected over 49 bags of clothes and \$7,148.65 in donations. May God bless vou for all your kindness.

# **SL** ShareLife

Living the Gospel through ShareLife

Your sacrificial gift will truly make a difference in the life of someone turning to a ShareLife agency in their moment of need." - Cardinal Thomas Collins

The third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 4. We ask you to share your blessings and give generously through the parish or at sharelife.org/donate. Thank you for living the Gospel!

### MONDAY

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Eugeniusz and Eugenia Hul – sister and family

1900 🕏 Stanislaw, Jozef, Henryka Golec – Tadeusz and family

♣ Krystyna and Andrzej Szuba – daughter and family

### TUESDAY

May 9

800 & Adam, Aniela, Eugeniusz Wasik – daughter, sister, family

\*MASS IN POLISH\*

₱ Helena Nabzdyk; Czeslaw, Hieronim Walczak; deceased family members –

₱ Jerzy Michalowski; parents Pelagia and Zbigniew, members of the Sybis, Kardynal, Grocholski families - wife and family

### WEDNESDAY

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Jan Jedrzkiewicz – wife ☆ Stanislawa, Stanislaw, Jan Zieba

19<sup>00</sup> ♣ Aleksander Ryszkiewicz (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – mother and grandmother

### THURSDAY

May 11

**May 10** 

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Jozef Smialek and Mieczyslaw Lis ☆ Franciszek Kobylarz – cousins

900 P Joanna, Jadwiga, Krystyna, Stanislaw from the Konieczny family – daughter and

### May 12 **FRIDAY**

8<sup>00</sup> • For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Anna and Christopher – parents

19<sup>00</sup> • In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's blessing, Mary's protection, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Anna, Krzysztof, and their families – parents ♣ Stanislawa, Wladyslaw, Stanislaw Debinski – daughter

### SATURDAY

May 13

**May 14** 

8<sup>00</sup> • In thanksgiving for Janina and Zbigniew Rybinski on their 51st wedding anniversary and for God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for their children and grandchildren

600 o For God's blessing for all children receiving First Holy Communion

900 🕏 Arkadiusz Nasierowski, Zofia Cwalinska, members of the Nasierowski and Cwalinski families

### SUNDAY

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Mieczyslaw Stanuch (9<sup>th</sup> anniv.)

9<sup>30</sup> Patrick Polubiec (9<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – parents

11<sup>00</sup> • For Parishioners and Benefactors

13<sup>00</sup> • In thanksgiving for Justyna on her birthday – family

14<sup>30</sup> • For God's blessing for all children receiving First Holy Communion

900 • For God's blessing for Justyna Armatowicz on her birthday – parish youth