

Reflection

I recollect how, as a curious boy, I would look at my father in the pews before Mass, the morning light partly illuminating his place. His contemplative and tranquil prayer in the moments of his devotion struck me. That still ness spoke to me of his relationship to God. He was both with and without his family.

The Gospel today calling for believers to love God before all others can seem monumental. Sometimes our fearful perspective longs for the presence of others as assurance that our Creator has answered our more human and emotional needs. There is a strong desire for an encouraging word.

Much greater than this is the knowledge that, as Jesus sent his disciples into the world, so he sends us with the expectation that a close relationship to God will sustain us during any tribulation. A heart fortified by this love is our refuge, and the Lord provides solace and trust in his infinite love. Thus, we can take up our cross and outlast the trial of even those who dispute our faithful love of God.

In families, there are many inspiring examples to uplift the spirit. Most significantly, these signs should serve to impress on us our nearness to the living and listening God who opens his arms to each one of us.

Robert O'Dacre of Cambridge, ON Per

©Living with Christ/Novalis/Bayard Presse Canada. Used with permission.

First Reading: 2 Kings 4.8-12a, 14-16

Responsorial Psalm:

Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 6.3-4, 8-11

Gospel: Matthew 10.37-42

- IN OUR PARISH -

Missionary from Madagascar

Today Fr. Stanislaw Kazek OMI missionary from Madagascar will

announce the homily during all masses.
Today's second collection will be for
missions in Madagascar; the envelopes
can be found in the back of the church.
THANK YOU

On Wednesday, July 5 Fr. Stanisław invites everyone after evening mass for a meeting in the parish hall, where he will tell us about his missionary work.

ALL ARE WELCOME

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.

Emelia Rui Sawicki, daughter of Yao and Christian Nicodem Skorka, son of Natalia and Krzysztof

Holy Rosary

Rose #31 will lead the rosary this week.

Upcoming Devotions

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

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

Poster Image of the Holy Family

Bishop Guy Desrochers of the Diocese of Pembroke, who preached the Lenten Retreat in English, has made available to our parish poster images of his oil painting of the Holy Family. Bishop Guy



explained the significance of the paining in one of his talks. The image is available for purchase in the parish office at \$10 each, with proceeds being used for the newly renovated rectory of the Cathedral that will host six retired priests of the Pembroke Diocese.

- REMINDERS -

Parish Office Hours Summer 2023

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: closed
Sunday: closed
Lunch break: 12 noon – 1 p.m.

Polish Donut Schedule

Representatives of parish groups are asked to pick up the 2023/2024 "Pączki Shedule" from the sacristy.

Summer Attire

Although the summer weather can be hot, we are all grateful for a time of rest and relaxation. The coming months might best be characterized as "casual". However, we respectfully ask that all parishioners make an effort to dress appropriately for the Sunday Eucharist. Our respect for the Lord and the other members of Christ's body requires that we dress appropriately. Please also remember to turn your cell phones off as you enter the church and deposit chewing gum in garbage bins.

Reprinted with permission: Merciful Redeemer Parish

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.

Feast of Our Lady of the Scapular

On Sunday, July 16 at the 12:30 p.m. Mass at St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish, there will be a solemn handing over of scapulars. This event will be preceded by a day of retreat on Saturday, July 15 under the spiritual guidance of Father Bronisław OCD.

For more information and to register, please contact St. Eugene de Mazenod parish office in Brampton at (905) 451-1422.

Whoever loses their life for my sake will find it. -Matthew 10:38

- COMMUNITY NEWS -

S2 ShareLife

Help homeless youth through ShareLife

Covenant House is one of the agencies you support through ShareLife. It's located in Toronto, but its young clients – largely homeless youth – arrive from throughout the archdiocese.

"The money raised by ShareLife directly impacts the youth at Covenant House because it goes to a wide array of programming," says the agency. "That funding goes directly to the youth to have them be able to reach out and get the support they need."

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

Retreat with St. Joseph

Theme: Prayer, Fasting, Silence
Dates: July 23-29

Location: Combermere, ON (Kaszuby)

Info: (416) 949-3033

wspolnota.sw.jozefa@gmail.com

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.

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.

- PILGRIMAGES -

Walking Pilgrimage to Midland

Walking Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland will take place on **August 7-13**. The theme for this year's pilgrimage are words from the Gospel of St. Luke: "Mary arose and went with haste." Info and registration at www.pielgrzymka.ca

Pilgrimage of Polonia to Midland

Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada is inviting everyone to the 67th Pilgrimage of Polonia to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland. This event will take place on **Sunday, August 13, 2023**. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated by Bp. Andrzej Przybylski from Czestochowa.

The day's program is as follows: 10:30 a.m. – Rosary; 11:15 a.m. – Entry of the

Walking Pilgrimage; 11:30 a.m. – Solemn Holy Mass; 1 p.m. – Devotion, Blessing of Flowers and Herbs.

Please note that due to very limited number of priests traveling to Midland, the sacrament of reconciliation will not be available in Midland. Pilgrims are asked to seek confession in their home parishes.

Pilgrimage to Rome

Radio Maria is organizing a pilgrimage to Italy under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Jacek Cydzik, from **October 8 to 18**. The trip includes visits to Venice, Pisa, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciano, Monte Cassino, Rome. For details, please contact:

- Orbis Vacations Travel Agency
- 2065 Dundas Street East in Mississauga
- (905) 624-1115
- Joanny Strzezek (905) 845-3553

Pilgrimage to Holy Land

October 20-28

A pilgrimage of thanksgiving 'In the footsteps of Jesus and St. Peter' to Holy Land. Space is limited.

For details, contact or visit: St. Peter's Mission Church 6056 Ninth Line, Mississauga (416) 464-1216 www.oblateworldmissions.org

Pilgrimage to Quebec

Holy Rosary Family is organizing a pilgrimage to various shrines in Quebec from **September 15 to 17, 2023**.

Information and registration: Teresa (905) 495-7035 or Wiesława (416) 799-2122.

- MASS INTENTIONS -

MONDAY

July 3

8⁰⁰ • For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for family

19⁰⁰ • For God's blessing and health for Katarzyna, Anna, Jolanta, Magdalena, and their families – parents

TUESDAY

July 4

800 • In thanksgiving on the 48th anniv. of marriage of Jozefa and Stanislaw – daughter

19⁰⁰ ♣ Marian (2nd anniv.) – son and family

WEDNESDAY

8⁰⁰ ♣ Roman and Boleslaw Sudol – son and family

19⁰⁰ • Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY

July 6

July 7

July 8

July 5

800 • In thanksgiving on the 18th anniv. of marriage of Katarzyna and Zbigniew Strama and Rina and Lukasz Kolpak – parents

19⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing for all Priests and Religious – Gold Rose Apostolate

FRIDAY

800 • For God's blessing, Mary's protection, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Elzbieta

10⁰⁰ ♣ Maria, Jozef, Kazimierz Blazejowski and Palys – daughter and family

19⁰⁰ ♣ Parents Zofia and Tomasz Potasz, brother Tadeusz, family members – Zdzislaw and family

SATURDAY

800 & Stanislaw Wicherek

17⁰⁰ ♣ Roman Vilkas – wife

19⁰⁰ ♣ Stanislaw and Tadeusz Gawron – wife and family

SUNDAY

July 9

8⁰⁰ ♣ Andrzej Chrusciel (9th anniv.) – wife and children

 9^{30} & Eddy Niedziela (19th anniv.) – parents and siblings

11⁰⁰ • For Parishioners and Benefactors

13⁰⁰ ♣ Beata Konaszenko (8th anniv.) – parents

14³⁰ • For God's blessing, Mary's protection,

and health for Danuta and Jerzy – son

19⁰⁰ & Members of the Pitula, Szabat, Dabrowski, and Zalewski families – Izabela and Konrad

Please inform the parish office of any errors in the spelling of the above names.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorie

October 13-22

Information and registration: Marzena (647) 284-1631 or Malgorzata (416) 859-8469