



## Reflection

Today's readings and Gospel touch our senses. We can see the rain and snow falling, enriching the land. Women who have brought children into the world know the pains of childbirth, and if we have witnessed a baby being born, we have seen how much mothers suffer and how long it takes for them to recover. But the joys of holding a newborn baby always outweigh the pain and suffering.

We are familiar with the parable of the sower and the seed, told to the seaside crowd by Jesus in today's Gospel. I can see the farmer spending hours in the hot sun scattering the seed, hoping it takes root and grows. If the farmer spends this much time and energy on his crop, how much more does Jesus want us to see, hear, and understand the Word, and turn to him – and he will heal us! He wants our faith to take root and not wither. He wants us to grow deeper in our faith and spend more time with him in prayer.

“For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Rom 6.23) May we grow closer to Jesus during today's eucharistic celebration, and open our eyes, ears, and heart to receive his love for us.

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**First Reading:** Isaiah 55.10-11

**Responsorial Psalm:**

*The seed that fell on good soil  
produced a hundredfold.*

**Second Reading:** Romans 8.18-23

**Gospel:** Matthew 13.1-23

## Pope's Rosary intention for July For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

## – IN OUR PARISH –

### The Sacrament of Baptism

Through the sacrament of baptism, **Ava Sofia Denyszyn**, daughter of Dorota and Peter, will be initiated into the Catholic faith and welcomed into our parish community. We congratulate Ava's parents and Godparents.

### Holy Rosary

**Rose #34 will lead the rosary this week.**

### Coffee and Donuts

This **Sunday, July 16**, coffee and donuts will be served by the Rosary Family.

**Today in the parish hall**, you can meet a missionary of chastity from the Archdiocese of Toronto, our parishioner **Magdalena Terlecka**, and find out more about her role.

Everyone is invited.

### 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 painting 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.

### 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 Podolak**, at (647) 888-7487.

### Rosary Garden

Out of respect for the Blessed Mary and concern for the aesthetics of the place where we can spend time with her in prayer, we ask that you refrain from any decorative works in the grotto and its surroundings. Any and all initiatives should be consulted with the Pastor of our parish.

## – 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 Schedule” 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*

### 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.

### Parish Registration Change of Address

**Are you formally registered at the parish?  
Has your address changed?**

Ours is an ethnic parish. Our parishioners are those who are formally registered at this church. Please note that we are not able to issue any references or letters of eligibility to non-parishioners. Yellow registration forms and green change of address forms can be found in the parish hallway. Please fill them out and place in the collection basket on Sunday. Alternatively, you may call the parish office to update your file.

## – COMMUNITY NEWS –

### ShareLife

**Your love provides young parents hope  
for a bright future**

“Our no-cost services would not be possible without the support of ShareLife from generous donors like you. Thank you for all of your help. Together we walk hand-in-hand, serving these young mothers and their babies.” – **Deanne Kukulewich**, Executive Director, Rose of Sharon

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://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](mailto:wspolnota.sw.jozefa@gmail.com)  
or in person: Wednesday at 5:30 to 6:30 in the St. Faustina Hall

### Visits to the Sick

Please remember that in every hospital there is a catholic chaplain on shift 24/7. Requests should be directed to the nurses.

Please contact the parish office if someone sick is in need of a priest to make a house visit.

### Summer is Here!

Summer is here, and this means time off for a well-deserved vacation/staycation! We wish all our parishioners a wonderful and safe holiday, good weather, sunny days, and lots of opportunities to see God in the beauty of creation. Please remember that there is no “time off” from God. Find time for daily personal prayer and make an effort to participate in Sunday Mass. Churches are open on Sundays.

### Lisbon 2023 July 26 – August 6



Youth who are travelling to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day have completed their fundraising done by collecting empty alcohol containers. **Please do not drop them off anymore. Thank you!**

## – 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](http://www.pielgrzymka.ca)

### Pilgrimage of Polonia to Midland

Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada is inviting everyone to the 67<sup>th</sup> 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
- Joanna Strzezek (905) 845-3553

### 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

### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

**October 12-22**

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

## – MASS INTENTIONS –

### MONDAY

July 17

8<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's blessing for **Samantha** on her birthday – parents  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ In thanksgiving for all graces received and for gifts of the Holy Spirit and God's blessing for **Jakub** on his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday

### TUESDAY

July 18

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Stefania** and **Stefan Tomczyk** – son **Henryk** and family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Jadwiga Chojnacka** – Goddaughter **Anna**

### WEDNESDAY

July 19

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Ryszard Plewa**  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ Collective Mass Intentions

### THURSDAY

July 20

8<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's continued grace and blessing for **Ewelina** and **Mateusz** on their 2<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Tadeusz Kawa** (3<sup>rd</sup> anniv.) – son **Jan** and family

### FRIDAY

July 21

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Janina Wegrzyn** (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.)  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's blessing, **Mary's** protection, and health for **Grzegorz** on his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday – parents

### SATURDAY

July 22

8<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's continued grace for **Krzysztof** and **Piotr Kowalewski** on their 32<sup>nd</sup> birthday – father  
17<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Roman Sroslak**; **Zofia** and **Wladyslaw Jasinski**  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Members of the **Chrusciel** family

### SUNDAY

July 23

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Bogdan Oles** – wife and children  
9<sup>30</sup> ✚ **Wladyslaw** and **Anna Ozga** – daughters  
11<sup>00</sup> ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors  
13<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Lukasz Labieniec** (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – mother and sister  
14<sup>30</sup> ○ For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for **Dariusz Ruszkowski** – parents  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ **Roman Barton**

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

### 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](http://www.oblateworldmissions.org)