

Sometimes an "ARRGGHH" just does not We congratulate their parents and Godparents. express the depth of our problems as human beings. Individual and communal life experiences can be so unfathomably abhorrent, they render us speechless instead.

Those who long for the reign of God, where goodness will be ever present, though, look to the steadfast love of God for courage, stamina, and transformation. The God who brought Israel out of slavery, and formed them into a people who would be a light to the nations, is the same God revealed in Jesus and his teachings about the coming kingdom.

For every generation, living the alreadynow-but-not-yet of redemption is more than a matter of logically waiting out a painful and lengthy time. The parables of the kingdom teach us to be as surprised and heartened at the appearance of God's reign as we would be if we planted a small seed destined to be a bush that inexplicably grew into a cosmic tree where all nations lived in peace.

We do not clearly understand the mind, judgments, and workings of the loving and forgiving God. How grateful we can be, then, that Jesus is still very much present in our lives and eucharistic celebrations, and that the Spirit gives voice to our unspeakable cries of supplication, especially when things are the most difficult!

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First Reading: Wisdom 12.13, 16-19 Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Second Reading: Romans 8.26-27 Gospel: Matthew 13.24-43

Second Collection

July 29/30 – Building Renovation Fund Thank you for your generosity.

- IN OUR PARISH -

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.

Kaia Capri Haliniak,

daughter of Samantha and Tom

Wojciech Dabrowski, son of Izabela and Konrad

Holy Rosary

Rose #35 will lead the rosary this week.

Coffee and Donuts

This Sunday, July 23, coffee and donuts will be served by Friends of the Missions (MAMI).

Blessing of Vehicles



On Tuesday, July 25, beside the feast of St. James the Greater is the Commemoration of St. Christopher. According to legend. he carried a child on his shoulders across a treacherous river one day, and in midstream almost collapsed under

the weight. Only when he reached the other shore did he realize that he had carried the Savior upon his back. St. Christopher is widely venerated as the patron of travelers and

Blessing of cars, motorbikes, and bicycles will take place this Tuesday, July 25 after the 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses.

Exhibition - Wolyn 1943

Exhibition about the Wolyn Massacre can be viewed on **Sunday**, **July 30** in our parish hall. It was prepared by IPN Szczecin and is made available by the Polish Gazette Club in

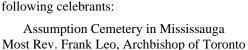
Perpetual Adoration Chapel

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.

- COMMUNITY NEWS -

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday August 16, 2023 at 7:00 **p.m.** at the following cemeteries and with the following celebrants:



Christ the King Cemetery in Markham Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen

Holy Cross Cemetery in Thornhill Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau

Mount Hope Cemetery in Toronto Most Rev. Robert Kasun, CSB

Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Woodbridge Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri

> Resurrection Cemetery in Whitby Rev. Fr. Dominic Barber

St. Mary's Cemetery in Barrie Rev. Fr. Laurence J. Leger

SL ShareLife

Support our seniors through ShareLife

Society of Sharing is one of the agencies you support through your generous donations to ShareLife. They serve our isolated, housebound, and lonely seniors in Toronto.

Society of Sharing does not charge for services and it provides our seniors with assistance through your donations to ShareLife.

For our seniors, please give generously at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

A person who prays lives out the mystery of existence, and a person who does not pray scarcely exists.

- St. Sharbel Makblūf -

- 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.

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. When attending Mass, please dress appropriately, turn your cell phone off as you enter the church and deposit chewing gum in a garbage bin.

Collective Mass Intentions

Wednesday evening Mass is celebrated in multiple intentions. These can be submitted by calling the parish office before 5 p.m. Offerings can be dropped off at the parish office or placed in an envelope, marked "Wednesday Mass" and deposited into a collection box at the entrance to the parish office. Please do not leave your Mass intentions in the parish mailbox.

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.

- 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

Who can participate in the pilgrimage? Anyone who has the strength and perseverance can participate in the pilgrimage. We do not, however, encourage elders, those who are sick, those with weak hearts or with very small children to participate. Youth up to 19 years of age may participate in the pilgrimage only after receiving writing permission from their parents or guardians.

What is there to do during the pilgrimage? Each day is filled with prayer, conferences, singing, and camaraderie. Attendance at Mass is mandatory.

What do I bring with me on the pilgrimage? Tent, warm sleeping bag, small propane tank, metal or plastic dishes and utensils, can opener, water bottle, good quality socks, shirts with sleeves, comfortable (not brand new!) shoes, hat, raincoat, sunscreen with UV protection, toiletries, toilet paper, mosquito repellent, basic medicine (pain relievers, band aids, vitamins).

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.

A bus to Midland will be leaving from our parish on Sunday, August 13 in the early morning. Tickets at \$50 can be purchased next Sunday, July 30 in the parish hall. Information: Wieslawa (416) 799-2122.

- MASS INTENTIONS -

MONDAY

July 24

St. Sharbel Maklūf 8⁰⁰ ♣ Janusz Manturowicz (1st anniv.)

1900 • For God's blessing for Malgorzata and Jozef Dymon on their 30th wedding anniversary

TUESDAY

Saint James and Saint Christopher

8⁰⁰ ♣ Jana Przelaskowska (2nd anniv.) – niece Teresa

1900 **T** Jose Cabral (16th anniv.) and Teresa Cabral

WEDNESDAY

July 26

July 25

Saint Anne and Saint Joachim

8⁰⁰ ♣ Ewelina and Remigiusz Kochanski and family members – family

19⁰⁰ • Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY

July 27

8⁰⁰ ♣ Krzysztof Przelaskowski (1st anniv.) – niece Teresa

1900 The Marek Krol: Olga, Kazimierz, Tadeusz Borek; Leokadia Makara; Heronim Ratajczak; Elzbieta, Frank Mesztyk; Bozena Kosiorek

FRIDAY July 28

800 Weronika and Boleslaw Gwiazdowski -

19⁰⁰ • For health, unity, and blessing for family

SATURDAY

July 29

Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

8⁰⁰ ♣ Stanislaw Basak (anniv.)

1700 The Maria and Wladyslaw Loboda and sons Roman and Stanislaw

900 Treresa, Irena, Jozef Przyslupski – daughter-in-law and family

SUNDAY

July 30

8⁰⁰ • In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's continued blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for the Kostka family

9³⁰ • For Mary's protection and God's blessing and grace for Celina and Edward Wrobel on their 25th wedding anniv.

11⁰⁰ • For Parishioners and Benefactors

13⁰⁰ ♣ Stefania Lukaszek; Olga, Tadeusz, Boleslaw Kaczmarek - daughter with husband and children

14³⁰ ♣ Aleksandra Dzielska – daughter and family

19⁰⁰ ♣ Parents Genowefa and Kazimierz Kuznicki - daughter

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

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