



## Reflection

Today we (and the chief priests and elders) are confronted by the parable of the two sons asked to work in the vineyard. One son hesitated, the other lied about going. Jesus asks, "Which of the two did the will of his father?"

The correct answer: neither son is the model to follow!

Let's face it – in our own faith lives we often hesitate to do what is right. Even the great saint (and sinner) Augustine wrote, "Late have I loved thee, my Lord." And perhaps worse, we can all admit to pledging to do the right thing, and yet failing to do so.

But let's also move from an individualistic to a collective reading of this text. In this last weekend of the Season of Creation, have we done enough to create ecological justice? Has our faith community hesitated to foster justice and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples?

Today we are asked to recognize that words alone are not what is important. Words love meaning when our action contradict them. Our action in the world is what defines our character and our real faith.

Fortunately, we know that it is never too late to respond to Jesus. It is never past time to listen, to embrace conversion and to act in response to God's loving (but oh so challenging) invitation.

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**First Reading:** Ezekiel 18.25-28  
**Responsorial Psalm:**  
*Lord, be mindful of your mercy.*  
**Second Reading:** Philippians 2.1-11  
**Gospel:** Matthew 21.28-32

**Second Collection**  
**This weekend**  
 Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation  
 Thank you for your ongoing support.

## – THIS WEEKEND –

### Life Chain

Life Chain is a prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the evil of abortion. Join us for an hour of prayer this **Sunday, October 1**, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Cawthra Rd. and Meadows Blvd.

### 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.

- Belle Neda Walaszczyk**,  
 daughter of Andrea and Lukasz  
**Elliott Commisso**,  
 son of Victoria and Domenic  
**Leon Stefanski**,  
 son of Edyta and Rafal  
**Teodor Pacyna**,  
 son of Anna and Mateusz

We congratulate their parents and Godparents.

### The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for God's blessing for the following couples as they celebrate Holy Matrimony.

- Patricia Prelich**,  
 daughter of Helena and Ryszard  
**& Zachary Spiegelman**,  
 son of Shelly and Jeffrey  
 ♥  
**Paulina Pasierbek**,  
 daughter of Bozena and Zbigniew  
**& Pawel Wydryszek**,  
 son of Joanna and Pawel  
 ♥  
**Emilia Cebula**,  
 daughter of Marianna and Wojciech  
**& James Gray**,  
 son of Csilla and Randal

### Coffee and Donuts

This **Sunday, October 1**, coffee and donuts will be served by Families of John Paul II.

### Rosary Devotion



The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection she gives the Church in answer to the faithful who pray the Rosary.

**Pray the rosary with us on:**  
**Weekdays at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday at 8:30 a.m.**  
**Sunday at 6:30 p.m.**

## – COMING UP –

### Upcoming Devotions

**First Thursday of the month, October 5**  
 Prayer for vocations at 6:30 p.m.

**First Friday of the month, October 6**  
 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, October 7**  
 Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary after the 8 a.m. Mass

**First Sunday of the month, October 8**  
 Holy Rosary Devotion at 7:15 a.m.

### Meetings

**Kolbe Seniors Club**  
 Tuesday, October 3 at 10 a.m.  
 Mass followed by a meeting  
 at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre

**Grade 8 and High School Students**  
 Thursdays, 8:20 p.m. in Fr. Bak Room

**College and University Students**  
 Fridays, 8:20 p.m. in Bro. Anthony Room

### Marriage Preparation Course

Marriage Preparation Course for couples who were never married will take place on seven consecutive Mondays, from **October 9 to November 20**, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Meetings are in-person and attendance is mandatory at all sessions. To register, please call the parish office.

Marriage Preparation Course for couples where one or both partners were previously married is facilitated by Catholic Family Services. Contact [www.cfstoronto.com](http://www.cfstoronto.com) to register.

### R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the way that a non-baptized person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Roman Catholic, please call the parish office to register. **Meetings begin October 18, from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

### Wedding Anniversary Mass

**Sunday, October 29 at 11 a.m.**

Please call the parish office if you wish to have your name added to the list of couples celebrating their wedding anniversary.

### Pope's Rosary intention for October

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

## – IN MEMORIAM –



The following parishioners passed away recently. Let us keep them in our prayers.

- ✠ Maria Rose Michalski, 98
- ✠ Anna Bolejszo, 91
- ✠ Marta Witkowska, 90
- ✠ Krystyna Soltys, 87
- ✠ Marianna Ciesek, 80
- ✠ Stanislaw Wasik, 78
- ✠ Michael Charles Brown, 74
- ✠ Janusz Glen, 72
- ✠ Jan Gumienik, 70
- ✠ Kazimierz Tomaszewicz, 68
- ✠ Ryszard Konopka, 68
- ✠ Marian Kardys, 67
- ✠ Zdzislaw Janek, 64
- ✠ Dariusz Drozdowicz, 58
- ✠ Agnieszka Budzinski, 52

## – REMINDERS –

### 40 Days for Life

Kolbe ProLife Group invites all parishioners, parish organizations and friends to participate in 40 Days for Life - a silent prayer for unborn children. This year's campaign takes place daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. until Sunday, November 5. We gather next to the abortion clinic at the intersection of Queensway and Confederation. Our parish is invited to pray on Saturdays, but also on any other day of the week. More information:  
 In-person from Kolbe ProLife representatives  
[kolbeprayprolife@gmail.com](mailto:kolbeprayprolife@gmail.com)  
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/mississauga>

### Altar Servers

If you're in grade 3 or up and would like to become an altar server, please pick up a registration form from the sacristy, fill it out, and hand it in to any one of our parish priests.

### Anointing of the Sick

• Hospital chaplains – Roman Catholic priests – are employed full-time at local hospitals and are on-call 24 hours a day. To arrange a hospital visit, please ask a nurse to call the priest on duty. • Please contact the parish office if you or your loved one require a home visit from a priest.

### Offertory Envelopes

If you are interested in using offertory envelopes in 2024, please contact the parish office via email: [kolbe@kolbe.ca](mailto:kolbe@kolbe.ca) or by phone: (905) 848-2420. Please do not use envelopes from previous years!

## – COMMUNITY NEWS –

### Gregorian Chant Concert

Gregorian Chant concert entitled *Conversatio Christo* will take place on **Sunday, October 1 at 7 p.m.** at St. Dominic Parish, 2415 Rebecca Street, in Oakville. *Conversatio Christo* is an opportunity to experience the power of Gregorian Chant – an ancient form of prayer of the Catholic Church. Tickets at \$20/\$25 can be purchased at [www.saintdominic.ca](http://www.saintdominic.ca) or at [www.conversatiochristo.com](http://www.conversatiochristo.com)

### Online Theology Course

The Mazenodianum Institute is offering an online theology course for adults, in Polish. The studies will allow you to deepen your knowledge of the Bible, the dogmas, the liturgy, as well as moral issues and other theological problems. The course starts in **October** and lasts 3 semesters (270 hours in total). The lecturers are theologians from various academic universities. The tuition fee is 1,000 PLN per semester.

Information and registration:  
[www.mazenodianum.pl](http://www.mazenodianum.pl)  
[wiedza.teologia@mazenodianum.pl](mailto:wiedza.teologia@mazenodianum.pl)  
 Tel.: +48 452 331 067

### Retreat for Parents After the Loss of a Child

**October 13-15** – for those who have experienced a miscarriage or stillbirth. **Location:** Chicago, Illinois, USA. **Information and Registration:** S. Maksymiliana Kaminska MChR (773) 656-7703

### Pilgrimages

**Medjugorie October 13 – 22, 2023**  
**Holy Land March 10 – 22, 2024**

For more information please contact:  
 Marzena (647) 284-1631  
 Malgorzata (416) 859-8469

### 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. ☺

## – MASS INTENTIONS –

### MONDAY, October 2

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Stanislaw Klin – wife, children, grandchildren
- 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Parents Emilia and Stefan Pikula (anniv.)  
 ✠ Agnieszka and Blazej Szczerba – Maria and Janina

### TUESDAY, October 3

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Jan Kruk (6<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – daughter
- 10<sup>00</sup> ○ For members of Kolbe Seniors Club
- 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Michalina and Aleksander Lisek – daughter and family

### WEDNESDAY, October 4

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Stanislaw Klin – daughter Danuta  
 ✠ Anna and Jozef Bembenek – Dariusz Werhun
- 19<sup>00</sup> ○ Collective Mass Intentions

### THURSDAY, October 5

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Helena and Wladyslaw Jamrozek – Kazimiera Orszulak  
 ✠ Marianna, Eugeniusz, Stanislaw Tworz; members of Miernik, Pochwala, Tworz families
- 19<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's blessing for all Priests and Religious – Gold Rose Apostolate

### FRIDAY, October 6

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Tadeusz and members of the Polatynski family – son Miroslaw
- 10<sup>00</sup> ✠ Andrzej Smola – wife
- 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Natalia and Henryk Milkowski – children and families

### SATURDAY, October 7

- 8<sup>00</sup> ○ For members of the Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate
- 17<sup>00</sup> ✠ Stanislaw Bartnik (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.) – wife, son, granddaughter Izabella
- 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Jozefa and Boleslaw Fabianski – family

### SUNDAY, October 8

- 8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Edward and Roman Calko – mother and daughter with family
- 9<sup>30</sup> ✠ Genowefa and Michael Koltowski – children
- 11<sup>00</sup> ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
- 13<sup>00</sup> ✠ Lucja, Tadeusz, Roman Powalowski; Jakub Glowinski – family
- 14<sup>30</sup> ✠ Henryka Kuczynska (20<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – son and family
- 19<sup>00</sup> ○ In thanksgiving for the sacrament of marriage and for God's blessing, Mary's protection, gifts of the Holy Spirit, and health for Roza and Mieczyslaw and family

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