



### Reflection

Today's Gospel is about the tenants of a vineyard refusing to give the harvest owed to the landlord. I am one of those tenants. Now, it's tempting to say, "That isn't me," but the deeper reflection is to find the ways it is saying something about how I respond to God's gifts in my life.

Can I see myself being given all that I have, to tend and grow and offer back to God? These gifts – my family, my work, my talents, my possessions – are in my care, not for myself but to be offered back as a gift. I owe my deep gratitude and the fruits of all my labour back to God "the landowner" and my ever-generous parent. But I get caught up in my own selfishness and pride. In what ways do I feel entitled to all that I possess? How much do I consider the sharing of these things as giving from "my gifts"?

In this parable, Jesus is the son sent and rejected. I am being asked this day to further set aside my focus on self-interest and turn my focus to Jesus. I know the end of the story – it is generosity and love. Jesus, even after being rejected and set aside, reconciles all of humanity to God. In what ways can I welcome Jesus today?

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**First Reading:** Isaiah 5.1-7

**Responsorial Psalm:**

*The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

**Second Reading:** Philippians 4.6-9

**Gospel:** Matthew 21.33-43

### 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.

## – THIS WEEKEND –

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Ps 107*

Wishing our parishioners a day filled with God's blessing, love, and kindness. Enjoy the long weekend!

A reminder that the parish office is always closed on Mondays.



**Happy Birthday Fr. Peter!** May God's love and peace be with you always and may Mother Mary intercede for you and keep you in her loving care.

### 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.**

### The Sacrament of Marriage

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

**Iwona Sawczak,**  
daughter of Beata and Kazimierz  
& **Patrick Wajda,**  
son of Renata and Ryszard

♥  
**Michelle Zajac,**  
daughter of Sylwia and Krzysztof  
& **Ferenc Mosonyi,**  
son of Maria and Frank

### Coffee and Donuts

This **Sunday, October 8**, coffee and donuts will be served by Jubilee 2000 Children's Choir.

## – COMING UP –

### Meetings

**Knights of Columbus**  
Tuesday, October 10 at 7 p.m.  
Mass followed by a meeting  
in the John Paul II 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

**Secular Franciscans**  
Saturday, October 14, 12 – 2 p.m.  
in Fr. Eugene Room

### Evening of Adoration

On **Thursday, October 12**, immediately after the evening Mass, Kolbe Pro-Life Group invites one and all to take part in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in reparation to Lord Jesus for sins against life and its dignity.

### Fatima Devotion

Join us on **Friday, October 13** for the final Fatima Devotion this year. After the evening Mass, we will walk in procession to the Rosary Garden. Please bring a candle.

### Public Square Rosary Crusade

Please join the 2023 Public Square Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save Canada through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 14** at 12 noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at the north-west corner of Tomken Rd. and Rathburn Rd. E., by Tomken Plaza. Info.: Theresa (905) 896-7238.



### 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 on **Wednesday, October 18** at 7:30 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.

## – COMING UP –

### Prayers for the Faithful Departed

Prayers on the occasion of the Solemnity of All Saints Day and All Souls Day will be held at local cemeteries on **Sunday, October 29**.

2 p.m. Meadowvale Cemetery, Brampton  
Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby  
Queen of Heaven, Woodbridge

3 p.m. Mount Hope, Toronto  
Park Lawn, Toronto  
Sanctuary, Toronto

4 p.m. Assumption, Mississauga  
St. John's, Mississauga  
St. Mary's, Mississauga  
Mount Peace, Mississauga  
Thornton, Oshawa

## – 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  
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/mississauga>

### \*NEW\* Parish Bulletin Cover \*NEW\* Advertisements Insert

Please take note of our new bulletin cover and advertisements insert. From October of this year to October of the next they will be part of our weekly bulletin. All our advertisers help cover the cost of printing the parish bulletin. We thank them for their support and encourage our parishioners to make use of the services they provide.

### 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!

## – SACRAMENTS –

### Anointing of the Sick

●A hospital chaplain – a Roman Catholic priest – is employed full-time at local hospitals and is 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.



### Baptism

**Parents** who are registered members of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church and would like to baptize their child must contact the parish office at least six weeks before the anticipated date of baptism. Preparation course is mandatory for all parents and Godparents. Baptisms take place during Mass:

- on Saturday at 5 p.m. in English
  - on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in Polish
- Godparents** must meet all requirements outlined in Canon 874, paragraph 1:
- be at least 16 years old
  - be fully initiated into the Catholic Church
  - be in good standing with the Church (not married outside of the Church and not cohabitating)

### Reconciliation

Confession takes place daily, 30 minutes before each Mass in the confessionals.



## – COMMUNITY NEWS –

### 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

**Medjugorje** **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 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. (2)

## – MASS INTENTIONS –

### MONDAY, October 9

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Ewa Konaszko (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.) – parents  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Dionissios Patrikis – wife and family  
✚ Robert Wroblewski – mother and daughters

### TUESDAY, October 10

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Tadeusz Gal and Stanislaw Gawron – Bilek family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Walenty Siuda – son and family  
○ For God's blessing and health for Katarzyna and children: Linda and Robert with families

### WEDNESDAY, October 11

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Helena Paterek (41<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – daughter  
✚ Parents Danuta and Stanislaw, brother Wieslaw – daughter and sister  
19<sup>00</sup> ○ Collective Mass Intentions

### THURSDAY, October 12

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Emil Grobarczyk (30<sup>th</sup> anniv.)  
✚ Brothers Krzysztof, Janusz, Wieslaw, and Andrzej  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Franciszek and Maria Sowa – son and family

### FRIDAY, October 13

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Members of the Radziun family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Jan Matusiak (8<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – mother and family  
○ For God's blessing and health for children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren

### SATURDAY, October 14

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Zofia and Aleksander Strozek and members of the Strozek, Opolski, Majkowski families – family  
17<sup>00</sup> ✚ Joanna Poloczek (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) and Roman Sroslak  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Lucyna Syrek (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – sisters and families

### SUNDAY, October 15

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Maria Wilczak Olszewski – husband and daughter  
9<sup>30</sup> ○ For God's blessing, Mary's protection, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Dorota Skorupska and family  
11<sup>00</sup> ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors  
13<sup>00</sup> ✚ Stanislaw Bednarczyk – daughter and family  
14<sup>30</sup> ○ For God's continued grace for the McCaul, Mathews, Chyjek, and Ardell families  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Janina Nizinska (anniv.) – daughters and families

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