

## Reflection

A beautiful aspect of creation is the congruence of spiritual law and natural law. It is as though God uses the created world to deepen our understanding of the spiritual order. And so it is with love, as Jesus teaches us in today's Gospel.

Jesus says we are to abide in his love, as he abides in the love of the Father, and that in order to do so, we must love others. As with forgiveness or mercy or grace, we will only receive in the measure we extend these gifts to others. As a cistern can only receive the flow of fresh water when there is an outlet from it, if we are to be immersed in the stream of God's love, then love must flow through us freely to the people around us.

Jesus tells us an abundant outpouring of God's love is available to us, his friends, and yet so many of us don't experience the blessing or the fruit of that in full measure. The Gospel today would point us to the outlet valve as the first place to look for a remedy to this.

Fear, pride, hurt, criticisms, selfishness are impediments to love. Let us pray for the grace of humility, that we might see one another through the eyes of Christ and serve freely in love.

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First Reading: Acts 10.25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord has revealed his victory in the sight of the nations.

**Second Reading:** 1 John 4.7-10

**Gospel:** John 15.9-17

# - THIS WEEKEND -

# - MAY -THE MONTH OF MARY

## **Loreto Litanu**

Join us as we pray the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Loreto Litany) daily at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Fatima Devotions**

From May to October, on the 13th day of the month, join us as we pray through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima. After the evening Mass, we walk in procession to the Rosary Garden. Please bring a candle.

## 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 pray for God's blessing for them and congratulate their parents and Godparents.

#### Adriana Pawlak,

daughter of Marta and Szymon

# Izabella Cyborowski,

daughter of Violetta and Lukasz

# Jacob Joseph Szewczyk,

son of Caroline and Michael

## Sophie Stus,

daughter of Patrycja and Wojciech

## Sacrament of Marriage

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

## Karolina Jakubiak,

daughter of Katarzyna and Krzysztof & Krzysztof Drzewiecki, son of Teresa and Piotr

## Coffee and Donuts Schedule

May 5 – Knights of Columbus May 12 – Polish Scouts

## **Second Collection**

This Weekend – Pope's Pastoral Works Thank you for your ongoing support.

Not registered? Please sign up. Moved? Please keep us up to date.

# - COMING UP -

## Meetings

## **Kolbe Seniors Club**

Tuesday, May 7 at 10 a.m. Mass followed by a meeting at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre

## **Grade 8 and 9 Students**

Tuesdays, 8:20 p.m. in Fr. Bak Room

#### Grade 10, 11, and 12 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, May 11, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Fr. Eugene Room

## **First Holy Communion**

This month, children will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist on the following days: Saturday, May 11 at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 12 at 2:30 p.m.

## White Week

Monday, May 13 – Friday, May 17, 7 p.m.

## **Anniversary of Holy Communion**

Sunday, May 26 at 1 p.m.

## **Evening of Praise**

Adoremus Prayer Group is hosting an evening of praise on Friday, May 10, after the evening Mass. Join us for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and prayer.

## **Meeting with Mary Wagner**

Kolbe ProLife group at St. Maximilian Kolbe parish invites you to a meeting with Mary Wagner who is an active advocate of the prolife movement in Canada. She has spent about six years of her life behind bars because of her ministry, her prayerful presence and outreach to abortion-minded mothers at abortion clinics. Ms. Mary will be sharing her faith journey with us on Saturday, May 11 at 7:45 **p.m.** in the parish hall. The meeting will be in English. Come and invite others!

## **World Youth Day Fundraising**

Youth who are travelling to Madagascar and France are fundraising by collecting empty alcohol containers. These may be dropped off by the garage door on the west side of the parking lot.

# - PARISH NEWS -

## The Sacrament of Holy Orders

Deacon Szymon Sorbian, who grew up in the Polish Oblate community, will be ordained to the Priesthood by His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 10 a.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica in Toronto, Ontario.

First Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. Eugene de Mazenod Church in Brampton, Ontario, on Sunday, May 12, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Let us all pray that Deacon Szymon **Sorbian** will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

## **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" have moved away, we are looking for individuals willing to take their spot. If you are able to help out, please call the coordinator, Margaret, at (647) 888-7487.

## **Parish Registration Change of Address**

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

Ours is a personal parish. Our parishioners are individuals of Polish descent 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. Registration Forms and 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.

#### **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 requite a **home** visit from a priest.

# - OTHER NEWS -

## **Constitution Day Parade**

The Canadian Polish Congress is inviting all Polonia to take part in a parade in honour of the 233<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the enactment of the Polish Constitution on Sunday, May 5. The event will begin with Holy Mass at 11:30 a.m. at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in Toronto. The parade will start at 1 p.m. at Nathan Phillips Square. It will proceed along: Oueen St. W., University Ave., College St., Bay, St., Queen St. and back to Nathan Phillips Square. Following the parade, there will be a concert by Impulse. Delicious Polish food will also be available for purchase. All are welcome!

# **SL** ShareLife

Live the Gospel by supporting our vulnerable brothers and sisters

ShareLife Sunday is June 2, and we call upon your compassionate hearts to support ShareLife. Through your love, Catholic agencies bring the hands of Christ to the most vulnerable members of our community.

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

## **Upcming Pilgrimages**

# **Guadalupe November 17 – 23, 2024**

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

## **Memorials and Feasts**

Monday, May 6

Saint François de Laval Patron of the Bishops of Canada

Wednesday, May 8

Blessed Catherine of St Augustine

Friday, May 10 Saint John of Avila

## Pope's Rosary intention for May

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Rose #17 leads the rosary this week.

# - MASS INTENTIONS -

## MONDAY

## May 6

- 800 Bronislawa i Stanislaw Rybinski Kazimierza and husband
- 19<sup>00</sup> ♣ Barbara Mahon husband Robert and family
  - ♣ For God's blessing and health for Danuta Trzcinska and Simecki family

#### **TUESDAY**

## May 7

May 8

- 8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Jadwiga and Stanislaw Targonski son Wladyslaw
- 10<sup>00</sup> For members of Kolbe Seniors Club
- 19<sup>00</sup> ♣ Sandra Mowbray parents and siblings

## WEDNESDAY

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Parents Michal and Maria Swiatek o In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's blessing for the Podolak,

Lewandowski, Wlodarczyk families

19<sup>00</sup> • Collective Intentions

#### THURSDAY

# May 9

- 8<sup>00</sup> For God's providence and health for family
- 19<sup>00</sup> In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Anna, Krzysztof, and their families – parents
  - ♣ Aleksandra and Wladyslaw Rydzewski daughter

#### FRIDAY

## **May 10**

- 800 Parents of the Stec and Smutek families family
- 1900 🕏 Stanislawa, Wladyslaw, Stanislaw Debinski – daughter
- ♣ Maria and Kazimierz Michenko son and family

#### SATURDAY

## May 11 8<sup>00</sup> **†** Kazimiera and Wladyslaw Ogorzaly,

May 12

- sister Danuta son and family 16<sup>00</sup> • For God's blessing for all children
- receiving First Holy Communion 1900 Tr Zofia and Edward Ziolkowski – son and

## SUNDAY

8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Stanislaw Brozny – family

9<sup>30</sup> Practice Ruby and George Over

11<sup>00</sup> • For Parishioners and Benefactors

13<sup>00</sup> **\$** Stanislaw Barnach

 $14^{30}$  o For God's blessing for all children receiving First Holy Communion

19<sup>00</sup> & Eugeniusz and Eugenia Hul – sister

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