

*I am the living bread
that came down from heaven.
Whoever eats of this bread
will live forever.*
John 6.51-58



– PARISH FEAST DAY –

Reflection

When Jesus announced that we are to eat his body and drink his blood to attain salvation, he appalled his hearers. Jewish people were, and are, forbidden to consume blood. And his disciples found it a difficult teaching to accept. We have since come to understand that Christ was offering his entire self to us by being fully present in the Eucharist.

This is a matter of faith, not logical or scientific fact, that can only be grasped through the wisdom of faith. Wisdom invites us to a mature faith that is not dependent on earthly knowledge, but a deep understanding that we encounter Christ each time at Mass. When we receive Jesus, we become tabernacles bringing Jesus to the world. Through our encounter with the mystery of Christ's eucharistic presence, we become that very presence for all we encounter.

We do this by witnessing to our awe and wonder before God, speaking and doing no evil, dedicating ourselves to good works, and pursuing peace in our lives. We live as wise people who offer thanksgiving for all we have been given. We are particularly thankful that Jesus offered his entire self to us in his body and blood. Likewise, we Christ-bearers offer our whole selves to others, and to God's wise plan for justice and peace in our world. Therein lies our salvation.

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First Reading: Proverbs 9.1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5.15-20

Gospel: John 6.51-58

Holy Mass

This Sunday, our parish community celebrates its feast day. We welcome Archbishop Francis Leo, who will preside at the 11 o'clock Mass and lead the Eucharistic procession. Representatives of parish organizations are asked to prepare their banners and line up in the parish hall after Holy Communion.

Plenary Indulgence

Parishioners who devoutly visit the parochial church on its titular feast day have the opportunity to receive plenary indulgence.

As defined in the Code of Canon Law (can. 992) and in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (n. 1471), "An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints".

A plenary indulgence can be gained only once a day. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to being in the state of grace: have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin; have sacramentally confessed their sins; receive the Holy Eucharist (it is certainly better to receive it while participating in Holy Mass, but for the indulgence only Holy Communion is required); pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff.

Blessing of Vehicles

If you wish to have your car, motorcycle, or bicycle blessed, please come to the parish parking lot at 4 p.m.

– IN OUR PARISH –

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Ania Szymanski,
daughter of Alicja and Adam
& **Jakub Kosakowski,**
son of Agnieszka and Robert

Michelle Grodzki,
daughter of Malgorzata and Marek
& **Theodore Papadopoulos,**
son of Sofie and Konstantyn

Natalie Potaczala,
daughter of Joanna and Jan
& **Mark Publow,**
son of Pat and Paul

Coffee and Donuts Schedule

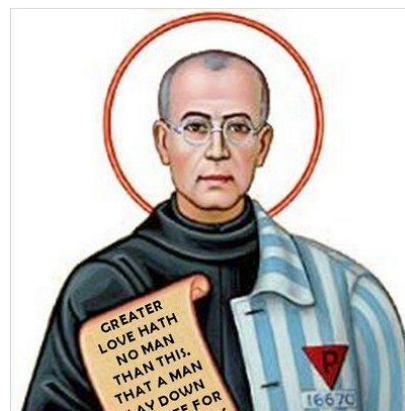
August 18 – Families of John Paul II
August 25 – No Coffee or Donuts

Second Collection

August 24/25 – Building Renovation Fund
Thank you for your ongoing support.

Offertory Envelopes

This month we have to place an order for offertory envelopes for 2025. Families who currently do not use envelopes but would like to have their own set are asked to contact the parish office at kolbe@kolbe.ca or (905) 848-2420. Please do not use envelopes from previous years!



"Beyond armies of occupation and the hecatombs of extermination camps, there are two irreconcilable enemies in the depth of every soul: good and evil, sin and love. And what use are the victories on the battlefield if we ourselves are defeated in our innermost personal selves?" – St. Maximilian Kolbe

– COMING UP –

The Sacrament of Holy Orders

It is with great joy that we announce that our parishioner, **Deacon Jonasz Lalik**, will be ordained to the Priesthood by His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo this coming **Thursday, August 22 at 7 p.m.** at our church.

He will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving next **Sunday, August 25 at 2:30 p.m.** in our church.

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

40th Anniversary of Priesthood of Fr. Ted Nowak OMI

This year, Fr. Ted Nowak, former pastor of our parish, celebrates the 40th anniversary of his priestly ordination. He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on **Saturday, August 24 at 5 p.m.** All are welcome to attend and pray for our former pastor.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, August 25 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.

August: the month of sobriety

If you're willing to refrain from consuming alcohol in August, consider signing your name in a special book located beside the Relics Altar.

– PILGRIMAGES –

Pilgrimage to Buffalo

Holy Rosary Family is organizing a one-day bus trip to Buffalo, NY on **Sunday, September 8**. The itinerary includes a visit to Our Lady of Fatima Shrine and Our Lady of Victory Shrine and Basilica. Information and registration:

Teresa (905) 495-7035
Wieslawa (416) 799-2122

Pilgrimage to Guadalupe

November 17 – 23, 2024

For more information please contact:

Marzena (647) 284-1631
Malgorzata (416) 859-8469

– COMING UP –

Marriage Preparation Course

Marriage Preparation Course for couples who were never married will take place on seven consecutive Mondays (including Thanksgiving Monday), from **October 7 to November 18**, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Meetings are in-person and attendance is mandatory at all sessions. Fee: \$100 per couple. To register, go to www.kolbe.ca and click on *Liturgy and Sacraments* and then *Marriage*. Next course will be offered in February 2025.

Marriage Preparation Course for couples where one or both partners were previously married is facilitated by Catholic Family Services. Contact 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 on **Wednesday, October 2** in the evening.

First Communion / Confirmation

Parishioners who are planning on registering their children for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation are asked to prepare their children's baptism certificate, available from the church where they were baptized. A copy of this document will be required during registration. More information will be provided in September.

– COMMUNITY NEWS –

Bee With the Credit Union

St. Stanislaus-St. Casimir's Polish Parishes Credit Union invites everyone to the "Bee with the Credit Union" event at the John Paul II Cultural Centre in Mississauga on **Sunday, August 25** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The program includes: honey tasting, lectures and shows, a lottery and contests with attractive prizes, games and activities for children.

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY August 19

8⁰⁰ ✠ Damian Oroc
19⁰⁰ ✠ Jakub Glowinski
✠ Wladyslaw and Emil Krupka – family

TUESDAY August 20

8⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's blessing, Mary's protection, and health for Bozena and Dariusz on their wedding anniversary, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Bozena on her birthday
19⁰⁰ ○ For gifts of the Holy Spirit and Mary's protection for Jakub on his birthday

WEDNESDAY August 21

8⁰⁰ ○ For holy and numerous priestly, missionary and religious vocations
19⁰⁰ ○ Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY August 22

8⁰⁰ ✠ Janina and Jan Bodys, Anna Karp, Joanna Krysz, Marianna and Stanislaw Podolak
19⁰⁰ *Priestly Ordination of Dk. Jonasz Lalik*

FRIDAY August 23

8⁰⁰ ✠ Marianna and Jozef
19⁰⁰ ✠ Maria and Jerzy Taborowski – daughter-in-law and family

SATURDAY August 24

8⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving on the 15th wedding anniv. of Jennifer and Grzegorz Trela and God's continued blessing for their family
17⁰⁰ ✠ Krystyna Slowik – daughter Anna and children
19⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for graces received and for health of body and soul for Halina Zygmunt on her birthday

SUNDAY August 25

8⁰⁰ ✠ Bogdan Kawala
9³⁰ ✠ Tadeusz and family members
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ✠ Zdzislaw (1st anniv.) and deceased from Janek family – wife
14³⁰ ✠ Slawomir Swieczka (1st aniv.) – Izabela
19⁰⁰ ○ For God's protection and health for children and grace of conversion and confession for family

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

Pope's Rosary Intention – August –

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Rose #35 leads the rosary this week.

Moved? Please keep us up to date.
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