

*There is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile them, but the things that come out of a person are what defile them.*

Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus is encouraging us to listen and understand that the deepest desires of our hearts are reflected in our everyday actions, words and decisions. He is stirring our hearts and inviting us to reflect on the source of our spiritual well-being. Are we motivated by the world around us or choosing to learn from Jesus how to love with a faithful heart full of care, compassion and mercy?

Jesus understands we struggle in our human weakness. We live in a secular world that measures our worth by what we accomplish and possess. This focus, even when it is not what we want, leads us away from God who deeply loves us, to the point of giving us his very self.

God wants to draw us closer into a loving relationship with him. Only in this way can we discover the joy of our truest selves, transforming our hearts to love, seek peace, and walk in companionship with the poor and marginalized.

When we can enter prayerfully and sacramentally into the depths of our heart, we will find Christ's grace-filled love waiting there for us. In this sacred place, we are invited to renew our spirits and cleanse our hearts. Here, we touch and receive the beauty of God's love for us and for our world that he loves so much.

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**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-8

**Responsorial Psalm:**

*O Lord, who may abide in your tent?*

**Second Reading:** James 1.17-18, 21-22, 27

**Gospel:** Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

## – PARISH NEWS –

### Farewell Fr. Marcin Serwin

Today we bid farewell to Fr. Marcin Serwin who has been serving our parish for over 9 years. We thank him for his active involvement in parish life, his endless energy, and incredible sense of humour. *Fr. Marcin, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide you in your new ministry. Be assured of our prayers.*

### Upcoming Devotions

**First Thursday of the month, Sep. 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Prayer for vocations at 6:30 p.m.

**First Friday of the month, Sep. 6<sup>th</sup>**  
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, Sep. 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary after the 8 a.m. Mass

**First Sunday of the month, Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Holy Rosary Devotion at 7:15 a.m.

### Pope's Rosary Intention – September –

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

**Rose #37 leads the rosary this week.**

### Coffee and Donuts Schedule

September 1 – Rosary Family  
September 8 – Polish Scouts

### Parish Office Hours

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: 9 a.m. – 12 noon  
Sunday: closed  
Lunch break: 12 noon – 1 p.m.

## – REGISTRATION –

### First Communion / Confirmation Good Shepherd Catechesis

Registration for First Communion, Confirmation, and Good Shepherd Catechesis will take place on the following days:

**Sunday, September 15,** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
in the parish hall

**Tuesday, September 17,** 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
in the Good Shepherd room

**Thursday, September 19,** 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
in the Good Shepherd room

Registration forms are available on our parish website under the Liturgy and Sacraments tab and in-person during registration. Material fee is \$100 – cash or cheque payable to St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Copy of Baptism Certificate is required for students registering for First Communion and Confirmation classes, even if the baptism took place at our parish.

**First Communion classes** will be held on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. **First Communion Mass** is scheduled for Saturday, May 10, 2025, at 4 p.m. in English and Sunday, May 11, 2025, at 2:30 p.m. in Polish.

**Confirmation classes** will be held on Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Confirmation Mass** is scheduled for April 26, 2025, at 4 p.m. in English.

### 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.

### Marriage Preparation Course

Marriage Preparation Course for couples who were never married will take place on seven consecutive Mondays, from **October 7 to November 18**, 8 p.m. - 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](http://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](http://www.cfstoronto.com) to register.

## – COMMUNITY NEWS –

### 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Outbreak of World War II

The Canadian Polish Congress – Mississauga District invites you on **Sunday, September 1** to commemorate those who died fighting for freedom during World War II. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. at St. Maximilian Kolbe church. Afterwards, there will be a short ceremony at the Patriot Monument beside the John Paul II Cultural Centre. All are welcome to attend.

### Radosc-Joy Dance Ensemble Registration and Rehearsals



#### Juniors and Mini Juniors

Wednesday, September 4 and 11, 6:30 p.m.

#### Intermediates

Thursday, September 5 and 12, 7:30 p.m.

#### Seniors

Wednesday, September 4 and 11, 7:45 p.m.

Registration and rehearsals take place in the parish hall. New members are welcome!

### Heart-to-Heart Vigil

Rosary Family at St. Eugene de Mazonod Church is organizing a 24-hour vigil, led by Fr. Krzysztof Czaplak, Director of the Fatima Secretariat in Zakopane. The vigil begins on **Thursday, September 12** with Holy Mass at 8 p.m. and ends on Friday, September 13 with Eucharist at 7 p.m., followed by a procession with Our Lady of Fatima.

### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

April 21 – 30, 2025

For more information please contact:

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



## – COMMUNITY NEWS –

### Golf Tournament

32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament, hosted by Maximilian Kolbe Foundation, will take place on **Saturday, September 7** at 11 a.m. at the Granite Ridge Golf Club in Milton. Course fee and dinner at \$200 or dinner only at \$85. For more information or to become an event sponsor, please visit [www.jp2pcc.ca](http://www.jp2pcc.ca) or contact (905) 306-9900 or [events@jp2pcc.ca](mailto:events@jp2pcc.ca)

### Grant Applications

**Important announcement regarding grant application for students and descendants of Polish Home Army (AK)!**

The deadline for submitting applications is **September 15, 2024**. Applications must be completed in full and submitted together with all supporting documents. Incomplete application or application submitted by email will not be considered. Please mail to the Millennium Fund office:

3055 Lake Shore Blvd. W.  
Toronto, ON M8V 1K6  
More information at:  
[www.millenniumfund.ca](http://www.millenniumfund.ca)

### 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet

**Sunday, September 15, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.**

This banquet fundraiser commemorates the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre and recognizes the Ontario Trillium Foundation for issuing a grant to renovate the Grand Hall. The event includes dinner by MasterChef Jan Gromada and performances by Polish artists. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit please visit [www.jp2pcc.ca](http://www.jp2pcc.ca) or contact (905) 306-9900 or [events@jp2pcc.ca](mailto:events@jp2pcc.ca)

### Walking Pilgrimage Fundraising Banquet

Organizers of the Walking Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland are organizing a banquet on **September 21** in the Villa Polonia Hall in Brampton. Tickets at \$75 per person can be purchased by phone at (647) 588-5870 or online at [www.pielgrzymka.ca](http://www.pielgrzymka.ca).

### Quo Vadis Elementary School

[www.quovadisschool.ca](http://www.quovadisschool.ca)

Quo Vadis Elementary School, a bilingual Polish/English day school for students in JK-Grade 5, is accepting registrations for the 2024/2025 school year. For additional information please contact (647) 493-5033 or [admissions@quovadisschool.ca](mailto:admissions@quovadisschool.ca)

## – MASS INTENTIONS –

### MONDAY September 2

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Wieslaw Schab (7<sup>th</sup> anniv.), Grzegorz Pszeniczny (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.), Adam Pszeniczny, Ewa and Mieczyslaw Kowalski, Boguslaw Zaludzki  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Marek Krol  
✚ Siblings Regina and Eugeniusz, and their families - Boleslawa

### TUESDAY September 3

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Deceased from Redczak, Kaczmarek, Blaszczyk, Bubas families – family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ For God's blessing and health for Michal and Julia – parents  
✚ Jerzy and Bogdan Wojdat and deceased family members

### WEDNESDAY September 4

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Eugenia and Stefan Leonczyk – daughter-in-law  
✚ Julia and Wladyslaw Kozlowski – brother  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Collective Mass Intentions

### THURSDAY September 5

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Anna Kobzan  
✚ For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren – Maria Baran  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ For God's blessing for all Priests and Religious  
✚ For God's blessing for families of Domus Ecclesiae

### FRIDAY September 6

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Edward Kuziora – daughter Wieslawa  
10<sup>00</sup> ✚ Parents Stanislaw and Janina Nowotnik, brothers Lucjan, Wacław, Antoni, husband Antoni Pasiak – family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ For the light of the Holy Spirit for children and grandchildren

### SATURDAY September 7

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ For members of the Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate  
17<sup>00</sup> ✚ Sebastian Jakobisiak (12<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – parents, siblings, family  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Maria and Pawel Stachura – grandson Stefan and family

### SUNDAY September 8

8<sup>00</sup> ✚ Sabina and Jan Cwalinski – daughter  
9<sup>30</sup> ✚ For God's blessing for Olivia and Grzegorz on their 6<sup>th</sup> wedding anniv. and for Claudia and Marek on their 3<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniv.  
11<sup>00</sup> ✚ For Parishioners and Benefactors  
13<sup>00</sup> ✚ Krystyna Kosalka (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – children, grandchildren, great grandchildren  
14<sup>30</sup> ✚ Anna Bolejszo and deceased from Prucnal and Bolejszo families  
19<sup>00</sup> ✚ Agnieszka Budzinski (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.) – parents

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