

*“Blessed is the King
who comes in the name
of the Lord!”*

Luke 19.28-40

Reflection

So much happens in today’s Gospel – from Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem amid the adoring crowd to the Passover meal with his disciples, to his betrayal by one of them, his arrest and trial on trumped-up charges, his denunciation by the crowd (turned fickle), his death sentence by Pilate, his flogging like a common criminal, his terrible and yet triumphant death on a cross, and finally his burial.

Knowing all this was to come, why does Jesus “eagerly desire” to share the Passover meal with his disciples? What does Jesus want the disciples (and us) to grasp?

At Passover today, Jewish families still retell the story of God’s faithfulness in delivering them out of bondage in Egypt. Jesus calls his disciples to pay attention so that they will look back on the fearful events of the coming days and understand that his sacrificial death brings not only resurrection for him but also deliverance for them from the bondage that is associated with sin and death as far back as Adam and Eve.

Indeed, soon after Jesus’ death and resurrection, his disciples begin to share a common meal in remembrance of him. In the early Church this grew into our Eucharist. Today, as we receive the Eucharist, let us recall with great gratitude the sacrifice that Jesus made for us.

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Gospel: Luke 19.28-40

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7

Responsorial Psalm:

*My God, my God,
why have you forsaken me?*

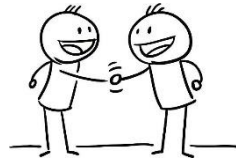
Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Gospel: Luke 22.14 – 23.56

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

– PARISH NEWS –

THANK YOU!



On behalf of the Sisters of Life as well as the Mississauga Food Banks, thank you for your generous donation of baby items and non-perishable foods.

This Sunday in the Parish Hall

• Radosc-Joy is selling lots of goodies: coffee, donuts, crêpes with cheese and fruit, *krokiety* with a variety of fillings, lamb cakes, and Easter decorations. They will be participating in an International Dance Festival in Greece in July and are fundraising for their trip.

• Jubileusz 2000 Children’s Choir is selling lamb cakes. These delicious one-of-a-kind cakes are baked according to Sister Halina’s secret recipe. All proceeds will help support the group’s trip to Greece.

• Oblate Youth continues to raise funds for their summer pilgrimage to Rome by selling frozen pierogi.

Kolbe Seniors Club Meeting

Tuesday, April 15 at 11 a.m.
at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre

Divine Mercy Novena

April 18 – April 26
Times are listed under “Mass Intentions.”

Pilgrimage to Wilno

Conference of Polish Priests is organizing a pilgrimage to Wilno (Kaszuby) on Saturday, April 26, on the occasion of the Feast of the Divine Mercy. More information: Wieslawa (416) 799-2122.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, April 27 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 April

Let us pray that the use of new technologies does not replace interpersonal relationships but takes place in an atmosphere of respect for God’s law and for each person, helping to overcome all crises.

– IN PREPARATION – – FOR EASTER –

Lenten Lamentations

This Sunday at 6:15 p.m. (in Polish)

Lenten Confession

Monday, April 14 at 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 16 at 6 p.m.

There will be no confession
from April 17 to April 21 inclusive.

Flowers for the Tomb

If any parishioner would like to help decorate the Lord’s tomb, we will gladly accept potted hydrangeas of any colour, or monetary donation. These can be given directly to Sister Halina or dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your contribution.

Church Cleaning

As we get ready for Easter, we want to make sure our church is spotless for the holidays. Please join us for the annual church cleaning on **Tuesday, April 15 at 6 p.m.** “Many hands make light work,” so bring your whole family and invite your friends.

**Easter Program is available
in the hallway of the church.
Please take one home.**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Please keep in your prayers the following individuals who will receive the Sacraments of Initiation on Holy Saturday: Gail, Lila, Matthew, Michael, Rachele, Richard, Zehra.

It is with great joy that we welcome them and thank God for their presence which renews and strengthens our community.

THANK YOU to our dedicated RCIA catechists who devoted their time and effort to prepare the catechumens and candidates: Fr. Marcin Serwin, Fr. Piotr Nowak, Fr. Jonas Lalik, Gabriela and Michal Kasprzak, Wojciech Opala, and Justyna Armatowicz. Thank you for sharing your talents with our parish community.

– HOLY WEEK –



Parish Office

Parish office will be closed
from April 17 to April 21 inclusive.

– Holy Thursday –

On this day we remember the Passover feast of the Jewish people and the Last Supper of Jesus with his disciples, proceeded by the washing of the feet. This day commemorates the institution of the Eucharist and the institution of the priesthood.

– Good Friday –

The meaning of this day is clearly indicated by its name in English: it is “Good” Friday, the day when God did wonderful things for us by the suffering and death of his Son. Out of his death God has brought us light and life, making it possible for us to be saved. No Mass is celebrated on this day, but the veneration of the Cross takes place during the Liturgy.

– Holy Saturday –

On this day, the body of Jesus lay in the guarded tomb. In the Church, Holy Saturday is a quiet day, the great Sabbath rest.

**Blessing of Easter Food
9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Easter vigil service is the most important celebration of the Church year. It takes place during the dark hours of the night.

– Easter Sunday –

The joyful celebration of our Lord’s rising continues. Alleluia! meaning “praise to God!” is our shout of joy. Mass of the Resurrection will take place at 6 a.m. All parish groups are asked to take part in the procession and Mass.

– Easter Monday –

This day begins the Easter Octave. Please note that there will be no 2:30 p.m. Mass on this day.



YOU EMPOWER YOUTH TO EMBRACE GOD

Your devotion enables the Office of Catholic Youth to fulfill their mission of helping youth and young adults to encounter, love and serve Jesus Christ. Through your loving support of ShareLife, young people are empowered to become Christian leaders who know Christ and have a growing relationship with Him. Aspiring youth and campus ministers, like Laura, form spiritual habits through workshops and formation retreats. They learn practical methods to engage the youth of today and help them deal with everyday pressures. “These formation sessions have equipped me with a firm foundation in the faith,” she says, “enabling me to pass on authentic Catholic teachings to the young people in my care.”

Thank you for living the Gospel through ShareLife!

– OTHER NEWS –

Radio Maria Banquet

Easter Banquet in support of Radio Maria will be held on **Sunday, April 27** at the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre. Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. and banquet will begin at 1 p.m. Special musical performance by Karolina Podolak, Krzysztof Jasinski, and Bartosz Hadala (piano). Tickets at \$70 are available from:
Joanna Szydłowska - (905) 819-1040
Joanna Strzezek - (905) 845-3553
Health from Nature Store - Roncesvalles Ave.
John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre

Assumption Cemetery

Assumption Catholic Cemetery has a limited inventory set aside exclusively for the Polish community. For inquiries, please call Marcos Carvajal at (905) 670-8801 ext. 1

Job Offer

Sacred Heart Parish in Kitchener is looking to hire an organist. For more information, please contact Barbara from the Parish Council: (519) 896-7881.

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY April 14

8⁰⁰ ✚ Eugenia and Lucjan Perkowski (anniv.)
✚ Zofia, Romuald, Marian, Jozef Dudarew
○ For God’s blessing and health for children and grandchildren
18⁰⁰ *Lenten Confession*

TUESDAY April 15

8⁰⁰ ✚ Deceased from Grobarczyk, Panus, Czorniak families
✚ Wladyslawa and Michal Ilnicki
○ For God’s blessing, gifts of the Holy Spirit, and health for Miroslaw, grandchildren, and great grandchildren
18⁰⁰ *Church Cleaning*

WEDNESDAY April 16

8⁰⁰ ✚ Helene Tynus, Jozef and Maria Brynczka, and their parents
○ In thanksgiving for graces received for Irena, Kazimierz, and Ewelina on their birthdays
○ For God’s blessing and health for mother Czeslawa on her 86th birthday
18⁰⁰ *Lenten Confession*

HOLY THURSDAY April 17

18⁰⁰ **Mass of the Lord’s Supper (English)**
✚ Deceased from Wielgus and Luczak families – Wielgus daughters
20⁰⁰ **Mass of the Lord’s Supper**
✚ Elzbieta, Antoni, Marek Drobiecki; Stanislaw and Andrzej Slodyka
✚ Tadeusz Szaran and deceased from family
✚ Maria and Jozef Szczygiel, Witold Klimowicz, deceased from Szczygiel and Utrata families

GOOD FRIDAY April 18

8⁰⁰ *Stations of the Cross*
Divine Mercy Novena
14⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy
16⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy (English)
18⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy
20⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy

HOLY SATURDAY April 19

9⁰⁰ *Divine Mercy Novena*
20⁰⁰ **Easter Vigil (Bilingual)**
○ For God’s blessing, Mary’s protection, and health for Nicole, Nicolas, Alenzo, and their parents
○ For Mary’s protection, faith, and health for family
✚ Leokadia, Kazimierz, Stanislaw, Edwarda, Czeslawa, Anna from the Krzysztopik family

EASTER SUNDAY April 20

6⁰⁰ ○ For the grace of conversion for children and grandchildren
8⁰⁰ ✚ Zdzislaw Bora, Ryszard Kukulski, Jozef Szewczyk
9³⁰ ✚ Leslie Dworak – parents and family
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for 55 years of marriage of Lidia and Jozef Studzinski, and for gifts of the Holy Spirit, protection of Mary and St. Joseph for coming years
14³⁰ ○ For healing for Maximilian, blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Maximilian, Nicolas, Agnieszka, Marcin, Iwona, Marianna, Ireneusz
18³⁰ *Divine Mercy Novena*
19⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for the sacrament of marriage and for God’s grace for Marek and Annabel Dorna on their wedding anniversary