# "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35

#### Reflection

I remember and treasure the last words that my father said to me. For years, our telephone conversations had concluded with me saying, "Love you, Dad," and he would laughingly answer, "Me, too!" But on that day, he brought our conversation to a close by saying the words first: "I love you." I was the one to say, "Me, too." I hardly noticed it, but that night, when I learned of his sudden and unexpected death, and for all the years since, I have held onto those words, and they have grown in impact and significance.

On the last night that Jesus and his disciples were together, Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." These parting words of Jesus must have taken on deeper and deeper meaning and impact as the years passes.

Jesus says, "Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." In committing ourselves to love, we commit ourselves to a way of life that is not always easy, is often challenging, and has the potential to change the world. The words grow in impact and significance as we see how much our world needs love, the love Jesus commanded us to live and share. Love one another.

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First Reading: Acts 14.21b-27

Responsorial Psalm:

I will bless your name for ever, my King and my God.

**Second Reading:** Revelation 21.1-5a

Gospel: John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35

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

# - THIS WEEKEND -

## **Anniversary of Holy Communion**

This Sunday at the 1 p.m. Mass children will celebrate the first anniversary of receiving Holy Communion. Please keep the children in your prayer. May they continue to live faithfully and love Jesus with all their hearts.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

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

#### Lysandra Moreno,

daughter of Marianne and Manny & Phillip Wyrzykowski, son of Dorota and Mark

Patricia Machnio, daughter of Bozena and Zbigniew & Kacper Bronowicki, son of Izydora and Robert

## 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.

> Emilia Lasica, daughter of Paulina and Pawel

Domenic Edward Corona, son of Diane and Darrell

## Thank You!



A big THANK YOU to all who dedicated their time and helped out in the Rosary Garden last Monday. It was great to see our parishioners who worked hard weeding, cutting dead branches, mowing the grass, and cleaning up the garden after winter. Thank you all for your efforts.

#### Coffee and Donuts Schedule

May 18 – Altar Servers May 25 - Kolbe ProLife

### **Second Collections**

This Weekend **Building Renovation Fund** May 24/25 Pope Leo's Pastoral Works

# - COMING UP -



## Monday, May 19

Wishing everyone a safe, sunny, and relaxing long weekend.



On Tuesday, May 20, Fr. John Bosco Gali will celebrate his birthday. We pray for God's grace and Mary's protection for Fr. John Bosco and wish him continued joy.

# May 21st Memorial of St. Eugene de Mazenod

Charles Joseph Eugène de Mazenod was born in France in 1782. Ordained in 1811, his religious experience led him to minister to the poor and the young. Interested in popular missions. Eugène founded a missionary institute of priests and lay brothers in 1826, the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. By the middle of the 19th century, in response to requests for help from North American bishops (...) the congregation sent several of its small number to Canada. Within 10 years of their arrival, the Oblates had covered all of Canada and expanded into the United States. Today, the members of this community work God. around the world in remote missions and in education. In Canada, Oblates established St. Paul University and Novalis, as well as numerous parishes and dioceses from coast to coast. Eugène de Mazenod was canonized on December 3, 1995 by Pope John Paul II.

# **Evening of Praise**

Adoremus Prayer Group is hosting an evening of praise on Friday, May 23, after the evening Mass. Join us for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and prayer.

#### **Youth Fundraising Event**

Youth who are travelling to Rome for the Jubilee Year are fundraising by collecting empty alcohol containers. These may be dropped off by the garage door on the west side of the parking lot.

# - OTHER NEWS -

# - MAY -THE MONTH OF MARY

# **Loreto Litany**

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

## **English Lectors Needed**

A lector is a proclaimer of God's Word and is a key part of Sunday Mass. If you are a practicing Catholic who attends English Mass in our parish, enjoys public speaking, and is able to read sacred texts in a loud, clear voice, please consider becoming a lector. Being a lector is a great honour and a beautiful experience. For details, please contact Teresa at (905) 896-7238.

## **Memorials and Feasts**

Tuesday, May 20 Saint Bernardine of Siena

Wednesday, May 21 Saint Eugene de Mazenod

> Thursday, May 22 Saint Rita of Cascia

# **Pope's Rosary Intention for May**

Let us pray that through work every person may find fulfillment, that families may have decent living conditions, and that societies may become more humane and dedicated to

Rose #13 leads the rosary this week.

## Pilgrimage to Buffalo

Holy Rosary Family is organizing a one-day bus trip to Buffalo, NY on Sunday, June 15. 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 (416) 799-2122 Wieslawa

## **Chapel of Perpetual Adoration**

You are warmly invited to participate in the perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament taking place in our parish continuously, 24 hours a day. This is a special time for personal prayer and contemplation in the presence of Jesus. Those interested can sign up for a special hour of Adoration by calling Margaret, the chapel coordinator, at (647) 888-7487.

PILGRIMS

# **SL ShareLife** YOUR HELPING HAND ENSURES THAT NO ONE STRUGGLES ALONE

No one is turned away from ShareLife-funded agencies due to inability to pay. You make it possible for individuals, couples, and families to access mental health services. Like Aimee, who grew up believing that life's challenges were meant to be faced alone. She searched for the strength to speak with a counsellor, but felt hopeless, imagining that her struggles would be dismissed. Financial concerns weighed heavily on her, making it even harder to reach out. Imagine the relief Aimee felt when she learned about the sliding scale payment system at Catholic Community Services of York Region (CCSYR). Because of you, Aimee received immediate care, free of judgement.

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

# **Lost and Found**

If you have lost something in the church, please take a moment and look through the lost and found shelf located downstairs, in the hallway by the parish hall. More precious items, such as prescription glasses, keys, and electronic devices are kept in the parish office. Stop by during office hours.

# Meetings

**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 Fr. Bak Room

#### **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**

- 8<sup>00</sup> In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's blessing, Mary's protection, faith, love, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for daughter Dominika, Nelson, and their children Sienna and Sebastian
- ♣ Wiktoria and Stefan Witkos; Stanislawa and Piotr Stachura
- ♣ Adolf Hentschel and deceased from Hentschel and Lesiak families - Beata and family

#### TUESDAY May 20

- 8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Roman and Edward Calko; parents on both sides - family 19<sup>00</sup> • For God's grace and Mary's protection
- for Fr. John Bosco Gali OMI on his birthday
- ♣ Stanislaw and Maria Michalski daughter and family

# WEDNESDAY

# May 21

May 22

- 8<sup>00</sup> Piotr Babicz (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.); deceased from Babicz family
- o For health and God's blessing for Ewelina and family
- 19<sup>00</sup> Collective Mass Intentions

## THURSDAY

- 8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Deceased from Rygiel family
- 1900 Parents Kazimiera and Wladyslaw Ogorzaly; sister Danuta – son and family
- ♣ Deceased from Skowron family

# **May 23** 8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Deceased from Sroczynski and Marko

- families
- 19<sup>00</sup> ♣ Alina Kopalka daughter and family ₱ Daniela and Kazimierz Guminski

## SATURDAY

FRIDAY

#### **May 24**

May 25

- 8<sup>00</sup> For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Paulina on her birthday
- 17<sup>00</sup> In thanksgiving for Eva and Arthur on their wedding anniversary
- 19<sup>00</sup> In thanksgiving for Izabela and Lech on their 25th wedding anniv. and for God's blessing for them

#### SUNDAY

- 8<sup>00</sup> ♣ Marianna and Jerzy Pogroszewski; Elzbieta and Zenon Wetoszka
- 930 & Mieczyslaw Stanuch, Stanislaw Hejmo, deceased from Stanuch and Szot families
- 11<sup>00</sup> For Parishioners and Benefactors
- 13<sup>00</sup> In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's continued blessing and Mary's protection for Anna Lopinska on her 90th birthday
- 14<sup>30</sup> For God's blessing for Halina and Marian Mazur on their 50th wedding anniv - children and grandchildren
- 1900 O In thanksgiving for graces received and for God's continued blessing and Mary's protection for Pawel with family and Piotr with Urszula – parents

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