

“From everyone
to whom much has been given,
much will be required.”

Luke 12.32-48

Reflection
Today our Gospel begins with a needed assurance from Jesus: God’s promises will be kept. He wants us to inherit the kingdom of heaven. The task is simple: have faith and be prepared. Then, Jesus prompts us to go deeper and recognize that faith requires action. Like the slave who continues to watch over the house while they wait for their master’s arrival, we must also continue to be vigilant and strive to create a world that is ready to receive Jesus when he comes again.
This faith is not blind. Scripture shows us those who have faith receive favour with God. Abraham journeys to a new land despite not knowing where he was going or whether God’s promises would be kept. Throughout history, Abraham and his descendants kept their hearts focused on the heavenly inheritance of God’s kingdom.

Today there are many distractions that can pull our focus from heaven. Jesus reminds us of our duty to tend the earth and his people while we wait for his return. Each of us has been given gifts from God to do this work. In our family, my husband has a green thumb and cares for things that grow. I teach catechesis of the Good Shepherd to our children. How might you use your gifts and God’s love to tend for his kingdom?

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First Reading: Wisdom 18.6-9
Responsorial Psalm:
Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.
Second Reading: Hebrews 11.1-2, 8-19
Gospel: Luke 12.32-48

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

– IN THE PARISH –

Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe
In preparation for our parish feast day, and in honour of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, we continue to pray the novena to our patron saint. Pray with us until Saturday, August 16. See Mass Intentions for specific times.

The Sacrament of Marriage
Please join us in praying for God’s blessing for the following couple as they celebrate Holy Matrimony. ♥

Weronika Iwanek,
daughter of Anna and Mieczyslaw
& Michael Paz,
son of Justyna and Stanislaw

The Sacrament of Baptism
Through the sacrament of baptism, **Laura Bozena Sobocinski**, daughter of Natalia and Jaroslaw will be initiated into the Catholic faith and welcomed into our parish community. Congratulations to Laura and her family.

Coffee and Donuts Schedule
August 10 – Altar Servers
August 17 – Knights of Mary Immaculate

Pope’s Rosary Intention – August –
Let us pray to God that communities divided by conflict will not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

Rose #27 leads the rosary this week.

August: the month of sobriety
„Voluntary abstinence from alcohol, undertaken by adults in August, is a powerful testimony to the concern for sobriety of our friends, family, and community. It is also a valuable example for children, showing them that one can enjoy life without substance abuse.”
Bp. Tadeusz Bronakowski

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

Second Collection
August 16/17 – Canadian Missions
Thank you for your generosity.

– COMING UP –

Meetings
Kolbe Seniors Club
Tuesday, August 12 at 10 a.m.
Mass followed by a meeting
at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre

Fatima Devotion
Join us on Wednesday, August 13, as we pray through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima. After the evening Mass, we will walk in procession and recite the Rosary. Please bring a candle.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed
Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed this **Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year’s Annual Mass are as follows:

- Assumption Cemetery in Mississauga
Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
- Christ the King Cemetery in Markham
Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
- Holy Cross Cemetery in Thornhill
Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
- Mount Hope Cemetery in Toronto
Most Rev. Robert Kasun
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Woodbridge
His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo
- Resurrection Cemetery in Whitby
Reverend Monsignor Edgardo Pan
- St. Mary’s Cemetery in Barrie
Most Rev. John Corriveau

Thursday, August 14
Feast Day of our Parish Patron
St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe
BORN

January 8, 1894 in Zduńska Wola, Poland
DIED
August 14, 1941 in Auschwitz-Birkenau
BEATIFIED
October 17, 1971 by Pope Paul VI
CANONIZED
October 10, 1982 by Pope John Paul II
FEAST DAY
August 14

PATRON SAINT OF:
families, prisoners, journalists, political prisoners, drug addicts, and the pro-life movement.

– COMING UP –

Friday, August 15
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Assumption of the Virgin Mary celebrates her being assumed – taken up body and soul – into heaven at the end of her earthly life. It began as a feast day in the Eastern Church after the Council of Ephesus (431) proclaimed Mary the Mother of God. The Western Church began to celebrate this feast around 650. **Blessing of flowers and herbs will take place on this day at the 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Masses.**

Chapel of Perpetual Adoration Anniversary Mass

On the 30th anniversary of the opening of the Divine Mercy Chapel, a thanksgiving Holy Mass will be offered for all those who participate in the Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Holy Mass will be celebrated this **Friday, August 15** at 7 p.m. in our church. After Mass, please join us for a light reception in the parish hall to celebrate this special occasion.

Sunday, August 17
Parish Feast Day

Our parish feast day will be celebrated next **Sunday, August 17**. High Mass, presided by Bp. Grzegorz Suchodolski, will be celebrated at 11 a.m., followed by a Eucharistic procession. We ask that parish organizations prepare their banners and line up in the parish hall after Holy Communion.

Blessing of Vehicles
If you wish to have your vehicle blessed, please come to the parish parking lot on the feast day, August 17 at 4 p.m.

Wedding Anniversary Mass
Sunday, August 31 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.

“The affairs of God are accomplished little by little and almost imperceptibly. The Spirit of God is neither violent nor hasty. He does all things in his time.”
St. Vincent de Paul



Bereavement Ministry in Polish

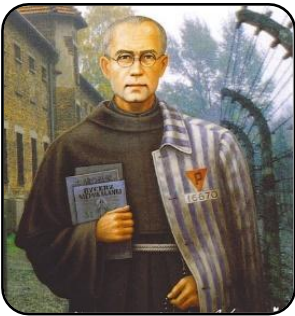
We are starting a bereavement ministry for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. The goal of this ministry is to provide a safe place where the bereaved can share their experiences with others and be supported by other parishioners who have also experienced the death of a loved one and who have received bereavement training. This parish-based bereavement group is a peer ministry, not a therapy support group.

The program will begin on **September 29** and consist of 7 meetings held once a week. To register, please contact the parish office.

Bereavement ministry in English is available in various churches in Mississauga. Please call the parish office for details.

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

The deadline for submitting applications is **September 15, 2025**. Applications must be completed in full and submitted together with all supporting documents; otherwise, they 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



– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY August 11
8⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving for grandchildren: Kaia, Augustus, Reid, Henry Over and Eleanor Zink – grandparents
18³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
19⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving for graces received and for health and God’s blessing for Wieslaw Rumianowski and the Rumianowski family

TUESDAY August 12
8⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving on Wladyslaw Stachera’s birthday and for health for him
10⁰⁰ ◦ For members of Kolbe Seniors Club
18³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
19⁰⁰ ✠ Bronislawa and Wacław Papuga

WEDNESDAY August 13
8⁰⁰ ◦ For health, God’s blessing, and gifts of the Holy Spirit for sons and their families – parents
18³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
19⁰⁰ ◦ Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY August 14
St. Maximilian Kolbe
8⁰⁰ ◦ For God’s blessing for Marek Dorna on his birthday
18³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
19⁰⁰ ✠ Antoni Wołoszczak (8th anniv.) – children and families

FRIDAY August 15
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8⁰⁰ ✠ Tadeusz and Jadwiga – sister and family
18³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
19⁰⁰ ◦ Special intention for all those who take part in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Chapel of Perpetual Adoration

SATURDAY August 16
8⁰⁰ ◦ For health and God’s blessing for Wanda, Anna, and Katarzyna
8³⁰ *Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe*
17⁰⁰ ✠ Maria Kmiolek (21st anniv.)
19⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving for graces received for the family

SUNDAY August 17
Parish Feast Day
8⁰⁰ ✠ Jakub
9³⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving on the 12th wedding anniv. and for God’s continued blessing – parents
11⁰⁰ ◦ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ✠ Parents Zofia Markowska (5th anniv.) and Eugeniusz Jurski – daughters and families
14³⁰ ✠ Stanisława and Eugeniusz Paszkowski
19⁰⁰ ✠ Deceased from the Palys family – daughter and family

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