

“Let anyone with ears listen!”
Matthew 13.24-43

Reflection

Everyone loves a story and Jesus was fond of storytelling in his teaching. Today’s reading tells us three such stories. Each one describes how Jesus looked at some aspect of daily life and found the kingdom of heaven. They each hold kernels of truth and, taken together, they suggest that Jesus saw the face of God all around him.

Through his teaching, Jesus was forever sharing his love of the kingdom of heaven. That was his mission. And in his stories he speaks of seeing the kingdom of heaven in the flowers, the weeds, the seeds, the yeast, and in the work of ordinary people. The stories show us that Jesus’ life was filled with deep reflective thought. His was a life of contemplation.

We too are invited to contemplate: to take time to ponder how our own lives speak to us of God. Sometimes we experience moments of peace and joy. At other times, our lives seem full of anxiety and distress. Developing the habit of contemplation helps us to look for the kingdom of heaven in all the circumstances of our lives. And through that contemplation, the stories of our lives become the stories of how God is with us.

Jesus, the storyteller, teaches us today how we too can find the kingdom of heaven in our own hearts.

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Charlottetown, PE

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First Reading: Wisdom 12.13, 16-19
Responsorial Psalm:
Lord, you are good and forgiving.
Second Reading: Romans 8.26-27
Gospel: Matthew 13.24-43

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

– IN OUR PARISH –

The Sacrament of Marriage

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

Natalie Sikora,
daughter of Anna and Robert
& Piotr Szaran,
son of Joanna and Jaroslaw

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.

Lucas Prymicz-Punch,
son of Joanna and Michael
Oliver Gorski,
son of Julia and Michal

Rosary Intention for July

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

Rose #18 leads the rosary this week.

Coffee and Donuts Schedule

July 19 – Polonia Brass Band
July 26 – Holy Rosary Family

Kolbe Seniors Club

Kolbe Seniors Club will meet on **Tuesday, July 21 at 11 a.m.** at John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre. All seniors are welcome.

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

– PILGRIMAGES –

Walking Pilgrimage to Midland

Annual Walking Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario will take place from **August 3 to 9**.
To register, visit www.pielgrzymka.ca

Who can participate in the pilgrimage?
Anyone who has the strength and perseverance can participate in the pilgrimage. We do not, however, encourage elders, those who are sick, those with weak hearts or with very small children to participate. Youth up to 19 years of age may participate in the pilgrimage only after receiving writing permission from their parents or guardians.

What do I bring with me on the pilgrimage?
Rosary, intention, OHIP, tent, warm sleeping bag, metal or plastic dishes and utensils, can opener, water bottle, good quality socks, shirts with sleeves, comfortable (not brand new!) shoes, hat, raincoat, sunscreen with UV protection, toiletries, toilet paper, mosquito repellent, basic medicine (pain relievers, band aids, vitamins).

Pilgrimage of Polonia to Midland

The Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada cordially invites all members of the Polish community to the 70th Pilgrimage of Polonia to the Martyrs’ Shrine in Midland, Ontario. This event will take place on **Sunday, August 9**. This year’s celebrations will be presided over by Archbishop Tadeusz Wojda, President of the Polish Bishops’ Conference. During the pilgrimage, the new Polish Altar will be solemnly blessed.

The day’s program is as follows:
10:30 a.m. – Rosary; 11:15 a.m. – Arrival of the Walking Pilgrimage; 11:30 a.m. – Solemn Mass; 1:00 p.m. – Devotion, Blessing of Herbs and Flowers.

All are warmly invited to take part in this special celebration of faith and heritage.

Please note that due to very limited number of priests traveling to Midland, the sacrament of reconciliation may not be available in Midland. Pilgrims are asked to seek confession in their home parishes.

A bus to Midland will leave from our parish parking lot on **Sunday, August 9** in the early morning. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Wieslawa at (416) 799-2122. A fee of \$50 will be collected on Sunday, August 2 in the parish hall.

– SACRAMENTS –
– IN OUR PARISH –

Anointing of the Sick

●A hospital chaplain – a Roman Catholic priest – is employed full-time at local hospitals and is on-call 24 hours a day. To arrange a **hospital visit**, please ask a nurse to call the priest on duty.
●Please contact the parish office if you or your loved one require a **home visit** from a priest.

Reconciliation

Confession takes place every day, 30 minutes before each Mass, in the confessionals.

– OTHER NEWS –

Retreats

**Ignatian Retreat
August 21 – 30
Cornwall, ON**
For more information please contact:
Mariya and Bogdan Kowalczyk
(416) 949-3033

**Ignatian Retreat
September 27 – October 4
Morristown, NJ**
For more information please contact:
Mocni w Duchu
rekolekcjeignacjanskieusa@gmail.com

**Pilgrimages
Sanctuaries in Quebec
July 31 – August 2**
For more information please contact:
Mariya and Bogdan Kowalczyk
(416) 949-3033

**Sicily
September 24 – October 10**
Spiritual leader: Fr. Janusz Blazejak OMI
For more information please contact:
Polimex (416) 537-0000

**Portugal, Spain, France
September 27 – October 10**
Spiritual leader: Fr. Tomasz Jarosz OMI
For more information please contact:
Stan (647) 463-9057

Guadalupe: November 9-15
For more information please contact:
Marzena (647) 284-1631
Malgorzata (416) 859-8469

* See posters for details. *

– COMMUNITY NEWS –

Concert at St. Stanislaus Church
Sunday, July 26

The Parish of St. Stanislaus Kostka in Toronto invites you to a concert by the **Pueri et Puellae Cantores Plocenses Choir** from the Cathedral Basilica in Plock, Poland. The 40-member choir, with choristers aged 11 to 25, will visit Toronto as part of a concert tour entitled “Polish Song in North America: Canada and the United States.” The program includes Mass at 11:30 a.m. with the choir’s participation and musical accompaniment, and a concert in the church at 12:30 p.m. The choir will perform sacred, patriotic, and folk pieces by Polish composers. Admission is free. Donations for the choir’s needs are welcome. Visit www.chorplock.pl to learn more about the choir.

St. Eugene Foundation
“Hope for the Future”

The St. Eugene Foundation invites families who have a loved one with a disability to join us in building a caring and supportive community. We are also looking for volunteers who would like to assist individuals with disabilities and their families. We warmly invite you to get involved in this meaningful ministry. For more information, please contact Bożena at (647) 213-6493.



ShareLife
Thanks to your support
of ShareLife,
Patricia found hope

Patricia arrived at school exhausted, clutching her colicky baby. Her landlord had illegally cut off her water and hydro, leaving her helpless. She was cold, hungry, and overwhelmed. All she wanted was a warm meal for her baby and to give her baby a bath—but she had nowhere to turn. And thanks to you, she found help.

Your gift to ShareLife made it possible for Rose of Sharon, a Catholic Charities agency you support through ShareLife, to be there when she had no one else. Patricia received legal help, a warm shower, fresh clothes, and a safe space to care for her baby. The sad truth is that Patricia’s story is not unique. More young mothers are struggling—desperately trying to escape poverty, facing unsafe housing, and making impossible choices just to survive.

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

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY July 20
8⁰⁰ ✠ Jakub
19⁰⁰ ✠ Irena and Bronislaw Szczotka, uncle
Ryszard Migda – Teresa

TUESDAY July 21
8⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia Niemiec
19⁰⁰ ✠ Anna and Stanislaw Hala – sister,
brother, families

WEDNESDAY July 22
8⁰⁰ ✠ Deceased from the Cislo Family –
Teresa
19⁰⁰ ○ Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY July 23
8⁰⁰ ✠ Anna and Wladyslaw Ozga – daughters
and families
19⁰⁰ ✠ Ireneusz Mantaj (1st), Ryszard Mantaj
(20th), Franciszek Godek

FRIDAY July 24
8⁰⁰ ✠ Stanislaw and Saturnin Ferensztajn,
Janusz Manturowicz
19⁰⁰ ✠ Stanislaw Barnach

SATURDAY July 25
8⁰⁰ ✠ Deceased from the Slawski and
Fijalkowski families
○ For God’s continued blessing for brother
Piotr on his birthday
17⁰⁰ ✠ Maria and Jozef Jemiolo – daughters
19⁰⁰ ○ For God’s continued blessing and
Mary’s protection for Barbara and Janusz
on their 35th wedding anniversary

SUNDAY July 26
8⁰⁰ ✠ Lukasz Labieniec (4th anniv.) – mother
and sister
9³⁰ ✠ Grace-Teresa Brynczka – Brynczka and
Mann Families
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ✠ Anna, Stefania, Cecylia, and Franciszek
Szewc (anniv.) – family
14³⁰ ○ For God’s blessing for Krzysztof Kulina
on his 50th birthday – parents
19⁰⁰ ✠ Deceased from the Sawoniuk,
Schoggers, Dziuda, Praniuk, Abramowicz,
and Wojcik families

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

“To keep a lamp burning we have to
keep putting oil in it.”
~ St. Teresa of Calcutta