

“The kingdom of heaven is like
a treasure hidden in a field,
a merchant in search of fine pearls,
a net that was thrown into the sea.”

Matthew 13.44-52

Reflection

What do we value? To what lengths are we willing to go to possess what we value? This is the question that Jesus asks today. Do we value God and a relationship with God before anything else? Are we willing to risk all for God?

In today’s parables, one person finds a treasure accidentally and is surprised. Another goes searching for a treasure and, when it is found, takes a great risk and sells everything to keep what is found. In the third example, there is a sorting of what is valued and what is not.

It doesn’t matter how we find our treasure. What matters is that we realize that a life with God is the greatest treasure we will find. What matters are the measures we are willing to take to live in God. Are we willing to live according to God’s purpose? Do we see ourselves chosen by God, called to be true images of God’s Son?

Jesus asks us, as he asked his disciples: “Have you understood all this?” If we say yes, then we, like the disciples, are called to share the kingdom of God, not hide it or hoard it. This is the radical message which turns the world on its head.

In today’s Eucharist, let us pray for the grace to make a radical commitment to God.

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Sudbury, ON

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First Reading: 1 Kings 3.5-12

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, how I love your law!

Second Reading: Romans 8.28-30

Gospel: Matthew 13.44-52

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– IN OUR PARISH –

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.

Dawid Wyrebek,
son of Kinga and Adrian

Lukas Krzepton,
son of Barbara and Dominik

Olivia Mila Brzostek,
daughter of Ediola and Patryk

Valentina Maria Galar,
daughter of Michelle and Michal

Rosary Intention for August

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Rose #19 leads the rosary this week.

Coffee and Donuts Schedule

July 26 – Holy Rosary Family
August 2 – Friends of Oblate Missions

Second Collection

This weekend’s second collection is for the ongoing maintenance and renovation of our parish. Thank you for your support.

– IN MEMORIAM –



The following parishioners passed away recently. Let us keep them in our prayers.

- ✠ Maria Krol, 95
- ✠ Stanislaw Grochocinska, 87
- ✠ Jan Lisicki, 83
- ✠ Celina Wisniowiecka, 81
- ✠ Jan Mazewski, 78
- ✠ Marian Chmielowiec, 72
- ✠ Grazyna Stanowski, 69
- ✠ Mariusz Domanski, 61
- ✠ Michal Gaj, 60
- ✠ Lech Markiewicz, 58
- ✠ Adam Wyrzal, 38

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

– COMING UP –

Upcoming Devotions

First Saturday of the month, August 1
Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
after the 8 a.m. Mass

First Sunday of the month, August 2
Holy Rosary Devotion at 7:15 a.m.

Memorials and Feasts

Wednesday, July 29
Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus
– Disciples of the Lord

Thursday, July 30
Saint Peter Chrysologus
– Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday, July 31
Saint Ignatius of Loyola – Priest

Saturday, August 1
Saint Alphonsus Liguori
– Bishop and Doctor of the Church

– 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

Pilgrimage of Polonia to Midland

The Conference of Polish Priests for Eastern Canada invites all members of the Polish community to the 70th Pilgrimage of Polonia to the Martyrs’ Shrine in Midland. 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. He will also bless the new Polish Altar.

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.

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 next Sunday, August 2 in the parish hall.

– OTHER NEWS –

Baptism

Parents who are registered members of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church and would like to baptize their child must contact the parish office at least six weeks before the anticipated date of baptism. Preparation course is mandatory for all parents and Godparents. Baptisms take place during Mass:

- on Saturday at 5 p.m. in English
- on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in Polish

Godparents must meet all requirements outlined in Canon 874, paragraph 1:

- be at least 16 years old
- be fully initiated into the Catholic Church
- be in good standing with the Church (not married outside of the Church and not cohabitating)

Reconciliation

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

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
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 –

82nd Anniversary
of the Warsaw Uprising

On Friday, July 31 the Canadian Polish Congress in Mississauga invites you to commemorate the 82nd anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising. A Mass for the fallen will be celebrated at 7 p.m., followed by a short ceremony at the Patriot Monument next to the John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre.

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

Your gift to ShareLife ensures our grandparents and the elderly are not forgotten

Philip and Helene built a life together—decades of love, laughter, and memories in the home they created. But as the years passed, Philip worried he wouldn’t have the strength to care for Helene on his own. And worse, he feared they would be forgotten—that as their needs grew, they would slip through the cracks, alone and unseen.

Through ShareLife, Philip and Helene were connected to Les Centres d’Accueil Héritage, where a case manager showed them a way forward. With the help of the Homemaking program, a team of personal support workers now visits them regularly, ensuring their changing needs are met—so they can stay together, where they belong. On World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, thank you for ensuring that our grandparents and the elderly find dignity and peace.

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

“May you experience the truth
that he, Christ,
looks upon you with love!”
~ St. John Paul II

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY July 27

8⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving on the 41st wedding anniv. of Teresa and Roman Ziemianek
19⁰⁰ ✠ Julia, Adam, Bronislaw Czeszejko, Eleonora and Edward Kluszynski – grandchildren

TUESDAY July 28

8⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia and Bronislaw Kowal
19⁰⁰ ✠ Bronislawa and Stefan Wszeborowski

WEDNESDAY July 29

8⁰⁰ ✠ Peter Wiercigroch (20th)
19⁰⁰ ◦ Collective Mass Intentions

THURSDAY July 30

8⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving on the 29th wedding anniv. and for God’s continued blessing for Violetta and Zenon Goralski
19⁰⁰ ◦ For God’s blessing, health and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Dorota and Marek – parents

FRIDAY July 31

8⁰⁰ ◦ For God’s blessing for the Labinski family
19⁰⁰ ◦ For our Motherland and all who fought for Her freedom

SATURDAY August 1

8⁰⁰ ✠ Maria, Stanislaw, Kazimierz Sudol (anniv.) – family
17⁰⁰ ✠ Henryka and Tadeusz Bartczak, deceased from family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Irena and Henryk Parafianowicz – son and family

SUNDAY August 2

8⁰⁰ ◦ For members of the Rosary Family and Knights of Mary Immaculate
9³⁰ ✠ Zofia Niemiec
11⁰⁰ ◦ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving for graces received and for gifts of the Holy Spirit, God’s blessing, grace, Mary’s protection for Maksymilian Kozlowski on his 26th birthday
14³⁰ ✠ Irena and Teodor Wethacz, Michal Karbowski, Zofia and Jerzy Dziuba – Eugenia
19⁰⁰ ◦ In thanksgiving for graces received and for God’s blessing for Mother Julia on her birthday

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

Parish Website
www.kolbe.ca