

ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH

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February 28, 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Joe SAMPSON

Eternal rest grant him, Lord

THE MASSES & DEVOTIONS THROUGH THE PARISH TV

The Masses at the St. Casimir's Parish are celebrated daily at 8 am and 7 pm; on Sundays 9:30 am in English & 11 am, 1 pm and 7 pm in Polish through the Parish TV www.kazimierz.org and YouTube. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy starts at 3pm and Rosary at 4pm & 5pm daily.

LENT - TIME OF PRAYER AND PENANCE

As we look upon the Crucified Savior, who has renounced everything and sacrificed his life for us, let us make an effort of voluntary penance as a restitution for our sins. Let's make meaningful resolutions and refrain from participating in extravagant pastimes (sometime intentionally organized for our children and youth), from drinking alcoholic beverages, and smoking cigarettes, in order to compensate God for our sins of drunkenness, promiscuity, foul language, dishonesty, and lack of humility. In order to experience the holy time of Lent in a deep and meaningful way, our parish offers the Passion Liturgies.

LENTEN LAMENTATION & WAY OF THE CROSS

We invite everyone to our traditional Polish Lenten devotions: the **Lenten Lamentations** will be held every Sunday at 6:15 p.m. and the **Way of the Cross** every Friday at 6:30 p.m. follow by the Mass at 7:00 p.m. in Polish. Christians, who devoutly participate in the Way of the Cross, are granted a plenary indulgence.

ACTION OF SOBRIETY

Finally, let us embrace Lenten sobriety with more courage. The Church calls us to individual and community prayer for sobriety, so that there are no people and families among us who suffer from alcohol, smoking, and drug addictions. A Book of Sobriety is placed beside the Altar of Relics. Individuals and families are encouraged to sign their names as a pledge to take up abstinence during Lent

THE FEAST OF ST. CASIMIR

March 4th, we celebrate the Feast Day in honour of St. Casimir. Due to the pandemic restrictions, we can not fully celebrate. Let us recommend our families and ourselves to the care of St. Casimir.

ST. CASIMIR

St. Casimir was born in 1458 in Krakow, a prince of Poland, the second son of King Casimir IV and Elizabeth of Austria. He participated in God's plans wholeheartedly by praying, studying, and helping the poor. At the side of his father he took an active part in political life. A devout worshiper of the Eucharist and of the Blessed Virgin Mary, he devoted much time to prayer and helping the poor. After a long-term lung disease, he died in Grodno at the age of 23. He was buried in Vilnius and there are his relics in the cathedral.

DEVOTIONS

This week is the first Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the month. The first Thursday - we pray for a vocation to priesthood and religious life. First Friday of the month - occasion to go to confession from 6pm to 7pm in the parish hall, and the first Saturday of the month - a day dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The first Friday devotion and the Way of the Cross will start at 6:00 p.m.

VIRTUAL LENTEN RETREAT IN ENGLISH

Catholic Moment is running a retreat series for individual retreatants via zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm starting Feb. 16th, running through until Holy Week (March 30th). Each session is 30-minutes long. The cost for the 7-session retreat series is \$10/person; however, with a coupon code for parishioners to access the entire retreat series at \$5/person at checkout, please use the code: **STMAXKOLBE**. You can register for this retreat series at <https://www.catholicmoment.ca/events>. Once registered, the retreat materials and the zoom link will be sent on a weekly basis.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The income tax receipts for the previous year were sent last week. It is expected that the parishioners should receive their tax receipts before February 28th. Please contact the parish office if do not receive your income tax receipt for 2020.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION

In these special circumstances, we invite you not to be afraid of taking advantage of the sacrament of penance and reconciliation, because we all need to draw from the infinite source of God's Mercy!

Currently, confession takes place every Sunday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the parish hall.

We encourage you to take advantage of the reception of Jesus in Holy Communion at a time when we cannot attend the Holy Mass.

Holy Communion is available every Sunday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the church.

VIRTUAL/ONLINE WORLD MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE MARCH 5-7, 2021

In these stressful times, give your marriage a *booster shot!* Restore your loving communication with your spouse and rekindle the romance. The Marriage Encounter experience is a skill-building enrichment program where together, you, as husband and wife, learn how to be the best couple you can be. No group discussion. Based on Catholic values but open to couples of all faiths. Rediscover the love in your relationship! **Contact:** Marge & Gerard McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925 Website: wwme.org

MASS INTENSIONS AT THE OBLATE MISSIONS

For the grace of healing for Halina – sister Jadwiga
For + Joseph Kandziuk

GREGORIAN MASS - 01.02-30.02

For + Raymond Szulc – parents & brother with family
For + Wladyslaw Pietrzyk – brother with family
For + Kazimierz Sambor – Danuta

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday - (21.02) - \$4,935
Collection for the works of the Oblate Missions - \$2,200
We thank you for your financial support. The offerings can be made in the parish office by putting the offering envelopes in the parish mailbox in the wall, sending by mail or making the bank transfer.

DOUBLE BURIAL PLOTS FOR SALE AT PARK LAWN CEMETERY

Two Burial Plots Side by Side at Park Lawn Cemetery in Toronto. Each Plot can accommodate 2 caskets, one on top of the other & 3 cremations, above the caskets = 4 caskets & 6 Cremations= 10 burials total. Plots are located in the M section of the cemetery Included is a base for Monument Stone already (savings \$ 1800). Upright Monuments can be erected in this section Cemetery currently selling single plots for \$ 16,900 & double plots for \$ 32,000 plus taxes. Willing to sell everything for \$ 20,000 including transfer fees, or Best Offer Please email or call directly, for further information & or any questions. Susan Jurenas 905-542-1708 or cell 416-616-1969 susancj29@hotmail.com

LENT
WALKING WITH CHRIST

MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sunday, February 28th

8:00 For the members of the Marian Sodality Society
9:30 For + Halina Lapinska (3rd anniversary) – daughter
11:00 For Parishioners
13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & light of the Holy Spirit for Natalia on her birthday – parents & sisters
18:15 Lamentations
19:00 In thanksgiving asking for love, peace & needed graces in family - Anna

MONDAY, March 1st

8:00 1. For + Rozalia & Franciszek Bodzon - daughter & family
2. For + parents Zofia & Franciszek, brothers Wieslaw, Jan & Stanislaw Ostrowski – daughter & sister
19:00 For the Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion

TUESDAY, March 2nd

8:00 1. For + Helena & Czeslaw – Fr. Kazimierz
2. For + Jacek Motas on the 1st anniversary – Gluszak family
3. For + Antoni Stachulak – Zbigniew & Zofia Musial
19:00 For + Genowefa, Stanislaw & Teresa Kotwas – son Stanislaw with children & grandchildren

WEDNESDAY, March 3rd

8:00 1. For + Jozef Bielak – wife, children & grandchildren
2. For + Helena Wojnowska - daughter
18:30 Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help & St. Joseph
19:00 Multiple Intentions Mass

THURSDAY, March 4th – St. Casimir

8:00 1. For + Kazimierz Lacz – wife Zofia
2. For + Dominik Mergut – son with family
18:30 Devotion of the first Thursday of the month
19:00 For + Czeslawa Montowska (16th anniversary) – daughter with family

FRIDAY, March 5th

8:00 1. For Barbara & Henryk Michalak & deceased from the family – daughter with family
2. In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & health for religious sister Maria Mergut – brother with family
18:00 Devotion of the first Friday & The Way of the Cross

19:00 For + Zofia, Bogdan & Jan Cybulski, Jerzy Eugeniusz Wiackiewicz & Slawomir Bobel - family

SATURDAY, March 6th

8:00 1. In thanksgiving, asking for health & God's blessing for daughter Marysia Wenderski – mother
2. For + brothers Eugeniusz, Wacław, Jan, Roman & sisters-in-law Helena & Danuta – sister & sister-in-law
3. For + Kazimierz Sambor – friends

18:00 Devotion of the first Saturday of the month

19:00 For health, needed graces & care of Mary Immaculate for Jozefa, Teresa & Helena with families – own

3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 7th

8:00 For + brother Jan Musiał (2nd anniversary) – Zofia & Zbigniew Musial
9:30 For + Maria Grabowska - family
11:00 For Parishioners
13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & care of the Mary Immaculate for Aleks, Emilia & Melania – parents
18:15 Lamentations
19:00 For + parents Jozef & Maria Kaczor, siblings Stanislaw & Irena, Tadeusz & Helena, Eweryst & Stanislaw, Emilia, Rev. Kazimierz, daughter-in-law Anna & deceased from the family – daughter & sister with family