

ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH

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January 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Silas Skiba

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Mieczysław Magda
Krystyna Idzik
Eternal rest grant them, Lord

THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION

A vocation is always a mystery because it touches the mystery of God's plans for man. From among many, the Lord chooses specific people to whom he entrusts participation in his saving mission. From a human perspective, God's logic may be incomprehensible. The Lord calls ordinary and unremarkable people. However, God sees further and deeper. Just as no one expected that a child named Samuel would be the nation's prophet, no one expected that two simple fishermen, Simon and Andrew, would one day be great Apostles. Whether it is the Lord's tabernacle or the shore of the Sea of Galilee, God calls people in every place and at every time. May the word of God strengthen the certainty of our vocation.

STATISTICS OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Statistics about our community: There are 1,753 families registered in the parish register. Last year we had 22 baptisms, 7 weddings, 71 funerals, 14 children received First Holy Communion, 8 young people received the sacrament of confirmation, Fathers made about 300 pastoral visits to the sick. Our community is large, so let us take care of ourselves, respect each other and, above all, let us strive for the development of spiritual life in our families and the Polish community.

WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Jerzy Kotowski, OMI, to our parish who, after Father Sławomir's departure, will help in our parish for the next few months. Fr. Jerzy was born on May 28, 1967 in Zambrów, in the Łomża diocese in Poland. After his ordination in 2004, he was sent to work in Belarus. He worked, among others, in Szumilin and Minsk. In 2017, the Belarusian authorities refused to allow Fr. Jerzy to continue to stay in Belarus. After a short stay in Poland, he was sent to work in Turkmenistan. Most recently he worked in Opole. Welcome to our parish.

DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Next Wednesday, we invite you to the Service to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 6:30 pm followed by the Multiple Intentions Mass at 7 pm. We encourage you to take part in the Multiple Intentions Mass, in this way our intentions are quickly fulfilled. We would also like to inform you that intentions donated for missions are celebrated very quickly by various priests, or sometimes in our parish.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

On Friday, we invite you to the Divine Mercy Service at 6:30 pm. The essence of the devotion to the Divine Mercy is total trust, which determines our attitude towards God, including not only the virtue of hope, but also the virtue of living faith, humility, perseverance and regret for the sins committed. It is simply the attitude of a child who trusts in the Father's merciful love and omnipotence in every situation.

THANKS & GRATITUDE...

We would like to thank everyone who helped us prepare the annual Christmas banquet and parish wafer. Only thanks to the large number of people who got involved, this event was a success. Mrs. Stefania Baran was responsible for all preparations. We thank her sincerely for her dedication and commitment. We would also like to thank the youth, Sr. Weronika and the Fathers for helping us in the preparations. We would like to thank in particular: Roszak Stanislaw, Musial Zbigniew, Milewski Edward and Jadwiga, Wiecko Teresa, Halas Henryka, Kulpa Czeslawa, Zalewska Elzbieta, Roman Suzan, Dziedzic Leszek, Stepien Jozef; volunteers in the kitchen: Chef Oksana, Hyc Anna, Borowski Bozena, Fabis Krystyna, Pasciak Elzbieta, Molek Jan, Dus Genowefa, Gal Wandzia, Kruk Krystyna, Stepien Halina, Sleczy Malgorzata, Cagara Tadeusz and Zambrowicz Piotr; the ladies who baked the cake: Hyc Anna, Galka Stanislaw, Sadowski Helena, Nydza Malgorzata, Kruk Krystyna, Baran Stefania; sponsors: Dolowicz Piotr & Lucyna, Biel Franciszek, Kozibroda Kazimierz, Jakubowski Dorota and Krzysztof from "Mega City". We would like to thank Father Janusz for preparing the chili dish.

THE HEATING IN THE CHURCH

The heating in the church is permanently set to 18 degrees Celsius. Of course, our church is a huge concrete space that is difficult to heat well, especially when the doors are often opened. For the period from November 11 to December 10, we paid \$1,946.33 for heating the church, and we paid \$3,174.87 for the entire system, i.e. both parish halls, the Polish school premises, the office and the rectory.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Marriage Preparation Course for couples who were never married will take place on seven consecutive Mondays, from February 5 to March 18, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Meetings will take place at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish and are in-person. Attendance is mandatory at all sessions. To register, go to

www.kolbe.ca and click on Liturgy and Sacraments and then Marriage. Next course will be offered in October 2024.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2024

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2024 may be picked up at the back of the church; they are arranged in alphabetical order. Parishioners using envelopes for their donations are eligible to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. The tax receipt will be sent in February 2024.

MASS INTENSIONS

We inform you about possibility of ordering Mass intentions at the Oblate Missions in the parish office.

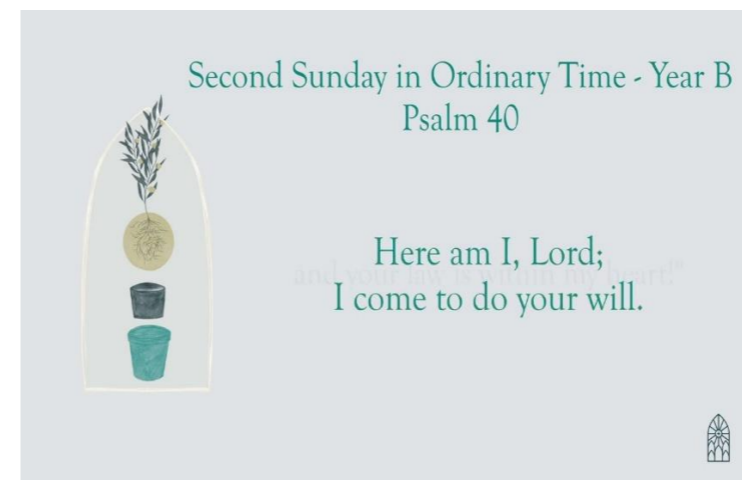
We thank you for ordering the Gregorian Masses. Anyone who wants to order Gregorian Mass please contact the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS AT THE OBLATE MISSIONS

For + Bronislawa Majewska & Franciszek Pekalski – Montrose Miazga
For + Andrzej Bugaj (23rd anniversary) – son
For + Adolf & Janina, Stanisaw & Stanislaw – daughter & daughter-in-law
For + Bronislaw Slodowy – Andrzej & Marek with family
For God's blessing, grace of health & care of the Virgin Mary for Teresa
For + Alfreda Jachyra – Edward Jachyra with family
For + aunt Fredzia – Karolina, Andrzej, Bianca & Michalek
For + aunt Fredzia – Tomasz & Pawel Posluszny
For + Alfreda Jachyra – Maria & Zbigniew Posluszny
For + Mieczyslawa Magda – M. & Z. Posluszny
For + Anna Bembenek – Maria & Zbigniew Posluszny
For + Stefan Poklos - Maria & Zbigniew Posluszny
For + Janusz Posluszny - Maria & Zbigniew Posluszny
For + Krystyna Idzik x2 – Helena & Jozef Idzik with children & grandchildren
For + Krystyna Idzik – Maria Zalar with family

GREGORIAN MASS

24.01 – 22.02 For + Agnieszka Leszczynska - mother



MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 14

8:00 For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus Society
9:30 Richard Skomra – Stan, David & John
11:00 For parishioners
13:00 For + Anna Bembenek – son Grzegorz
19:00 For + Maria & Franciszek Posluszny & Krystyna Sobczynska – son & brother with family

MONDAY, January 15

8:00 For + Franciszek & Daniela Konopka - family
19:00 For health & God's blessing for Regina & Czeslaw Kis - own

TUESDAY, January 16

8:00 For + Olga & Emilia Baranski – son & grandson
19:00 For + Ewa Dyki – husband & son

WEDNESDAY, January 17 – St. Anthony, abbot

8:00 For + Helena & Roman Szudy – family
18:30 Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
19:00 Multiple Intentions Mass

THURSDAY, January 18

8:00 For + Maria Zdybal – Holy Rosary Society
19:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing in studies for Elizabeth & Gabriel Kic - grandmother

FRIDAY, January 19

8:00 For + Jozef, Jadwiga & Wladyslaw Borowski & deceased from family – Bozena Borowski
18:30 Divine Mercy Chaplet
19:00 1. For + Janina & Andrzej Gal & deceased from Gal & Luberda families – Wandzia with family
2. For + Rev. Tadeusz Isakowicz-Zaleski - The First Commune of the Polish National Union in Canada

SATURDAY, January 20

8:00 For + Richard Korwin-Kuczynski – Chris & Mike
19:00 For + sister Irena Labik - family

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 21

8:00 For the members of the Divine Mercy Society
9:30 For God's blessing in the Mieczkowski family - own
11:00 For parishioners
13:00 For + Stanislaw Kolpak (37th anniversary) – wife & children
19:00 For + Wincenty & Waleria Babin & sister Klementyna - Ryszard