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March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Zofia Kita

Zdzislaw Czapla

Eternal rest grant them, Lord

PALM SUNDAY

On Palm Sunday, we begin Holy Week - a time that commemorates the last days of Christ's life and directly prepares us for the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection. The description of the Lord's Passion read during today's Holy Mass will remind us how much we are loved by Jesus. He gave himself into the hands of sinners and died so that we could have eternal life. Over the centuries, the world has encountered people who imitate Christ's love for man with their attitude. This group includes the heroic Ulma family, murdered by the Germans for hiding Jews during World War II. To commemorate this event, today has been established as the National Day of Remembrance of Poles saving Jews under German occupation. During the beginning of the Holy Mass, let us ask for the ability to love another person with the true and sacrificial love of Jesus' disciples.

RENOVATION FUND

Today, the second collection for the Renovation Fund will be collected. Thank you for your donations.

EASTER CONFESSION

Easter confession in our parish will take place today in the parish hall from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. During this time, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue in the church. This is the last opportunity to confess in our parish.

LENTEN LAMENTATIONS

Today we invite you to the last Lenten Lamentations devotion with a passion sermon at 6:00 pm. Let us find time to participate in this service, because thanks to it we can more deeply experience the mystery of the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord and better understand His infinite love for each of us.

ALTAR SERVERS INVITE...

Today the altar servers will sell coffee, donuts, and eggs from Mennonites and honey.

HOLY THURSDAY

The Holy Paschal Triduum will begin on Holy Thursday evening with the Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm. We will give thanks for two sacraments: the Eucharist and priesthood. After the end of the liturgy, we will carry the Blessed Sacrament in procession to the prepared adoration altar, formerly called the "Ciennica", where we will adore it until midnight. During the procession we will sing the anthem Pange lingua (Glory to the Mystery of the Language), for reciting it that evening you can gain complete indulgence.

GOOD FRIDAY

The Church does not celebrate Holy Mass on Good Friday. However, it invites all the faithful to participate in special liturgy of the Passion of the Lord, the culminating moment of which is the adoration of the Holy Cross. Good Friday services will be held in Polish at 3 pm and 7 pm, in English at 5 pm.

STAGED STATION OF THE CROSS

After the evening liturgy at 8:15 pm, we invite you to a staging of the Stations of the Cross performed by our youth. After the Stations of the Cross, the Holy Sacrament will be transferred to the prepared "God's Tomb", where adoration will last until midnight.

STRICT FASTING ON GOOD FRIDAY

We would also like to remind you that on Good Friday, the faithful between 18 and 60 years of age, in addition to abstaining from meat, are obliged to eat one full meal and two modest meals a day. Older and slightly younger people (over 14 years of age) should remember to abstain from meat on this day. Also on Good Friday, the Novena before Divine Mercy Sunday begins - we encourage you to individually recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

HOLY SATURDAY

Holy Saturday is also a day when the Eucharist is not celebrated: all the faithful are invited to prayer and recollection, to adore the Eucharistic Christ in the prepared "Tomb of the Lord". There will be a blessing of food for the Easter table, in the parish hall, from 11 am until 4 pm every 15 minutes. On Holy Saturday, we will also be able to share our blessed food with the poorest - a special basket will be prepared for this purpose on the table next to the priest.


EASTER VIGIL

We will begin the most important liturgy of the church year - the liturgy of the Easter Vigil starting at 7 pm. We will celebrate the night of the Lord's Passover - the night of the passage from death to life; we will celebrate His resurrection, His victory over death, sin and Satan. We will start it with the blessing of the fire and the lighting of the Paschal Candle, we will listen to the word of God, we will sing the joyful ALLELUIA again, and we will also take part in the blessing of water and renew our baptismal promises, for which we can obtain complete indulgence. The event will culminate with a solemn Eucharistic liturgy.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

In the liturgical calendar, March 25 is the day on which the Church celebrates the Annunciation of the Lord. However, the norms of this calendar indicate the greatness of the days of Holy Week and the Paschal Octave, so we will celebrate this celebration on the Monday after Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8.

SHARE LIFE

 The last Sunday collection for Share Life was \$3,680. Thank you for your generosity.

ALTAR BOYS MEETING

The meeting of altar boys will take place on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the church. All altar boys are asked to be present as we prepare for the Holy Week liturgy.

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

Easter cleaning of the church will take place on Holy Tuesday, after the morning Holy Mass. We count on your help. Let us make sure our temple looks beautiful for Easter. Please bring small buckets and cloths with you.

FLOWERS FOR A THOMB OF LORD JESUS

As every year, we ask parishioners for flowers for the grave of Jesus. Please bring flowers to the parish hall on Palm Sunday, we only ask for hydrangeas.

PILGRIMAGE TO WILNO

Conference of Polish Priests in Eastern Canada is organizing a pilgrimage to Wilno, on the Feast of the Divine Mercy, on Saturday, April 6, 2024. The coach buses have been organized from our parish and from St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish and Radio Maryja; the tickets are available in the parish office. **The buses will leave at 6:00 am from their parishes.** We encourage you to participate in the pilgrimage. The bus tickets cost \$50 and are available at the parish office. A missionary from Poland Fr. Artur Biedniak will celebrate the Holy Mass.

Program: 11 am – Rosary

11:30 am – Solemn Mass

1:00 pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy

JUBILEE OF FR. KAZIMIERZ'S PRIESTLY ORDINATION

On Sunday, June 9, we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the priesthood of Fr. Kazimierz Kozicki OMI. Solemn jubilee Holy Mass will be celebrated at 1:00 p.m. and there will be a banquet in the parish hall at 2:30 p.m. Tickets for the banquet, priced at \$40, will be available at the parish office from April 9 (Tuesday).

MASS INTENTIONS AT THE OBLATE MISSIONS

For + Zofia & Emil Jachna x2 – son with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Anna & Zbigniew Krubnik

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Bożena, Ryszard Kuzminski with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Nadia & Joseph Solanko

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Maria & Władysław Boroniec

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Wanda & Joseph Grabiec

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Maria Boksa with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Helena Ciesla with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Bożena & Feliks Prelich

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Antonina Walicka with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Marian & Elzbieta Gargula

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Krystyna Boksa with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Lidia Miranda with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 – Stanislaw Warmuz with family

For + Zofia Jachna x2 -- Maria & Jerzy Kunak

GREGORIAN MASS 01.08 – 30.08

For + Jadwiga Wielgosz – husband & son

For + Zofia Jachna – son Jan with family & friends

MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24

8:00 In thanksgiving in the Zelek, Lake & Teak families – Dana Zelek

9:30 For + Aleksandra & Tomasz Dlugosz - family

11:00 For parishioners

13:00 For health, God's blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for Natalia & Dajana - mother

18:00 Lenten Lamentations

19:00 For + Bronisława Konopka (9th anniversary) - family

MONDAY, March 25

8:00 1. For + Władysław – son Bogdan

2. For + Maria Petys – brother Jan with family

19:00 No Mass

TUESDAY, March 26

8:00 1. For + Wanda, Władysław & Ray Kuszelewski – brothers & sister with family

2. For + Jozef – brother Jan with family

19:00 No Mass

WEDNESDAY, March 27

8:00 1. For + Eugeniusz, Czesław & Tadeusz Magda – Sylwester

2. For + Stanisława Piechocka

3. For + Janina Stezalska – daughter Karolina with family

19:00 No Mass

HOLY THURSDAY, March 28

19:00 For priestly & religious vocations

GOOD FRIDAY, March 29

15:00 Liturgy of Good Friday in Polish

17:00 Liturgy of Good Friday in English

19:00 Liturgy of Good Friday in Polish

20:15 The Way of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY, March 30

19:00 For parishioners

Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31

6:00 Resurrection

For parishioners

8:00 In thanksgiving asking for further graces, God's blessing & care of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Grazyna

9:30 For + Janina Koszcz - family

11:00 For parishioners

13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Anna & Jan Woloszyn & their family - own

19:00 No Mass