

## ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH

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April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE RECEIVED:**

Conor Etienne Blayney & Brooke Elizabeth Baker

**BAPTISM**

Oscar Andrew Miedzik

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

Michal Opoka

*Eternal rest grant him, Lord*

**THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION**

According to the Gospel of St. John, the Cenacle became the place where Jesus delivered his farewell speech to the Apostles. This is a kind of testament of the Lord, which He illustrates with the example of the vine and the branches. The motif of the vineyard, taken from everyday life, is often mentioned in the pages of the Holy Scripture, which is why it was a clear sign for those gathered in the Cenacle. Jesus describes himself twice with the title: "I am the vine." The formula "I am" brings to mind the Name of God from the Book of Exodus. Jesus takes over the Name of the Father, making himself the Lord of the New Covenant, in which the Savior establishes a close relationship with his people. Everyone implanted in the love and teaching of the Lord is like a luxuriant branch that draws its vital strength from Him. During the Liturgy of the Word, let us strengthen and deepen our relationship with Jesus.

**SHARE LIFE**



Today, we will have a second collection for Share Life. Our parish collected \$5,817 this year. **The next and last collection for Share Life will take place June 2.** Thank you for your generosity.

**THE POPE PASTORAL WORKS**

Next Sunday, May 5, we will have a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works. The envelopes are at the annual sets and at back of the church.

**DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY IN MAY**

On Wednesday, we start the beautiful month of May. In our Polish tradition, it is a month of special prayer with Mary. Every day before the evening Holy Mass, we will celebrate Marian services. During the service this year, we will listen to the history of the image of devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Also on

Wednesday, the Multiple Intentions Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm; we order our intentions together with an offering at the parish office.

**DEVOTIONS**

On Friday, we invite you to private adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3 pm; the sacrament of reconciliation will start at 6 pm. Saturday is the first Saturday of the month; the Marian Service will start at 6 pm.

**ROSARY MYSTERIES EXCHANGE**

Roses of the Living Rosary will exchange their mysteries on Sunday, May 5, before 11:00 a.m. Mass.

**POLONIA DAY & POLISH FLAG DAY**

On Thursday, May 2, we will celebrate Polish Diaspora Day and Flag Day; in our private prayers or by participating in the Holy Mass, let us express our concern for the spiritual and material order and development in our homeland. Due to the first Thursday of the month, let us also pray for vocations to God's service. We will share these intentions together during the evening service.

**MAY 3 – FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

On Friday, May 3, we celebrate a special celebration - the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Poland and the Chief Patroness of our homeland, and the National Day of the Anniversary of the Adoption of the Constitution of the Third of May. Let us come to church for Holy Mass on this day. Masses will be celebrated at 8 a.m. & 7 p.m. During the Eucharist at 7:00 p.m., we will pray especially for our beloved homeland. Let prayer accompany us throughout this holiday day for Poland and for Poles in the country and in emigration. Due to the celebration, we are not obliged to abstain from meat this Friday. During the May service, we will renew the Act of consecration of the human race to the Sacred Heart of the Lord Jesus.

**MAY 5<sup>th</sup> PARADE**

On Sunday, May 5, 2024, the Canadian Polish Congress invites the entire Polish community to a joint Parade on the occasion of the 233<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the adoption of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Constitution starting in front of City Hall in Nathan Phillips Square at 1:00 p.m. Earlier, at 11.30 am, the Holy Mass will be celebrated in the St. Stanislaw Kostka Church. The parade will pass through the following streets: Queen St. West.-University Ave. -College St. - Bay, St. - Queen St. and back to Nathan Phillips Square. Immediately after the Parade, there will be a concert of the 'IMPULSE' band, Polish food and other attractions on the stage in front of the Town Hall. We cordially invite you - bring your family and friends - admission is free. More details at [www.polishmayparade.ca](http://www.polishmayparade.ca)

**ORDINATION OF DEACON SZYMON SORBIAN**

On May 11, the priestly ordination of Deacon Szymon Sorbian will take place. The ordination will take place in the Cathedral of St. Michael in Toronto. Please pray for Szymon.

**THANKS & GRATITUDE...**

We would like to thank Stanislaw Roszak, Jozef Stepien and Edward Milewski for preparing very meaningful decorations for

the Katyn celebrations. We would like to thank Kasia Solarczyk for the decoration for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We would like to thank Eugeniusz Cudek, Marian Idzik and Ryszard Kasztelan for helping us renovate the garages. The old brick in the garages had calcified and crumbled. Five rows of bricks from the very bottom have been removed and new brick was placed. Many thanks to Eugeniusz Cudek for sponsoring the bricks and necessary materials, and Marian Idzik also made a great contribution. We sincerely thank all of you. God bless.

**THANKS & GRATITUDE FROM OUR YOUTH**

We would like to thank everyone who helped cook dinner last Sunday. We would especially like to thank the sponsors: Andy's Meat Market, Butcher Shoppe, Benna's Bakery & Deli and Supreme Pierogi. The proceeds will go for youth activities, also for a missionary trip to Madagascar and a pilgrimage to France. Thank you all very much for your support.

**SPRING DANCE**

Youth Group at St. Casimir's Parish invites you to the Spring Dance, May 11, 2024, starting at 7 pm. A hot meal will be served, two bottles of wine at the table, and the "Non Stop" band will play the music. The proceeds will go to the group's activities and for young people going on missions to Madagascar and on a pilgrimage to France. Come and have fun with us, tickets for \$65 are available at the office and on Sundays in the parish hall.

**PARENTS' ROSARY FOR CHILDREN**

We are looking for 13 parents for the Holy Rosary Rose of John Paul II, which was founded in 2010, but currently only seven mothers come regularly to exchange rosary mysteries on the first Sunday of each month. The Parents' Rosary is a faith community prayer based on the Living Rosary pattern. We pray by joining groups of 20 parents, called roses. A participant of the Parents' Rosary prays for his children and for the children of other members of a given rose, and in return, other parents from this rose pray for his children. Each parent prays one decade of the Rosary every day with the mystery assigned to him for a given month. In this way, the entire rosary is recited every day for the children of that parent. We pray in any convenient place and time. It is best to choose a specific time during the day and incorporate this prayer into the rhythm of the day - after all, it is only 3-5 minutes of time. The exchange of rosary mysteries takes place every first Sunday of the month before the Holy Mass at 11:00. Parents who would like to join the Rose of the Rosary of John Paul II are asked to complete the form located at the back of the church and drop it in the mailbox at the parish office. Once we have collected 20 parents, the group leader, Bozena Zambrowicz, will contact the new members of the St. Rosary Rose of John Paul II.

**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 + Fr. Ludwik Stryczek OMI – Krystyna & Konstanty Pietrzyk  
For health & God's blessing for Feliks Jankowski

For God's blessing for children from the Budzyna family – mother

We would like to inform you that all missionary intentions have been sent to the fathers who are already celebrating them. We encourage you to use this opportunity, because our intentions are fulfilled quickly.

**MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, April 28**

8:00 For + Anna & Ludwik Magda - son  
9:30 For + Maria & Karol Iglar, Antonina & Bronislaw Hyc, Danuta & Wladyslaw Majka - children  
11:00 For parishioners  
13:00 For + Krystyna & Andrzej Szuba – daughter Monika  
19:00 For benefactors dead & alive

**MONDAY, April 29 – St. Catherine of Sienna, virgin & Doctor of the Church**

8:00 For + Daniel Szuper (8<sup>th</sup> anniversary) – wife with children  
19:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & care of Mother Mary for children - father

**TUESDAY, April 30**

8:00 For souls in purgatory  
19:00 For + Wladyslawa & Tadeusz Idzik – son Zdzislaw with family

**WEDNESDAY, May 1**

8:00 For + Karen Red & Sidney Bergman – family  
18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
19:00 Multiple Intentions Mass

**THURSDAY, May 2 – St. Athanasius, bishop & Doctor of the Church**

8:00 For + Jozefa & Adam Zdyb - Zofia  
18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
19:00 For + Stanislaw & Jarek Modlinski & deceased from the Modlinski & Taranek families - family

**FRIDAY, May 3 – The Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 For + Aniela & Antoni Barnas – Janina with family  
18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
19:00 For + sister Basia Glica & father Stanislaw Glica – Elzbieta with family

**SATURDAY, May 4 – St. Florian, martyr**

8:00 For health & God's blessing on the birthday - own  
18:00 The first Saturday of the month  
19:00 For + Weronika & Jozef Durak – daughter with family

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, May 5**

8:00 For the members of the Holy Rosary Society  
9:30 For + Ruby Contreras – son with family  
11:00 For parishioners  
13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for the Nycz family – Irena  
18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
19:00 In thanksgiving asking for health & God's blessing for Stefania Kolpak - daughter