

## ST. CASIMIR'S PARISH

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**May 5, 2024**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.**

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

### THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION

The Old Testament provisions of the Law had many consequences. The discord appeared when the Law, instead of bringing pious Jews closer to God Yahweh and their neighbors, introduced unhealthy ritualism and distance in relationships between people. During the Last Supper, Jesus, pointing to the essence of the Law, gives his disciples a new commandment - the commandment of love. Only the one, who loves God and other people not with the letter, but with the heart, fulfills the essence of the commandment. When talking about love, Jesus was not talking about a strong feeling, but was pointing to himself. This is confirmed by the witness of that event, Saint John, who states in one of his letters: "God is love." Jesus himself showed an example of love up to the beams of the cross. In the Acts of the Apostles, this love drew the Gentiles to faith in Christ. Let us respond with love to the love of Jesus.

### WE INVITE YOU TO PRAY

We invite you to pray together on Wednesday, May 8, the feast of St. Stanislaus, bishop and martyr, the main patron of Poland.

### DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY IN MAY

We have started May services, to which we invite you every day at 6:30 pm. This year, during services, we consider the history of the image, icon and devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. What is the history of this beautiful devotion. Initially it was believed that May services began to be recited in the 18th century. Meanwhile, research by Mariologists showed that they were known much earlier, and in the East. Elsewhere, August was considered the month of Mary's Day, and prayers in honor of the Mother of God were even legally ordered in this month. In the East, the forerunners of May services were Coptic Christians. They met to pray around Marian statues, sang songs in choirs, and showered the

statue with flowers. Every Saturday the service was more solemn and obligatory for those who did not attend it every day. Apparently, the originator of this service was St. Cyril of Alexandria, an ardent defender of the divine motherhood of Mary.

The month of Mary was also known in the Holy Land, Greece and Syria, but it gained real popularity only at the turn of the 13th and 14th centuries. Why May? Because it is the most beautiful month of the year.

### 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 at 10 am. Please pray for Szymon.

### THANKS & GRATITUDE...

We would like to thank Mr. Edward Milewski for renovating the parish hall, repairing the damage, painting the hall, etc. God bless you.

### MEET PRO-LIFE ADVOCATE MARY WAGNER IN MISSISSAUGA

The Kolbe Pro-Life group at St. Maximilian Kolbe parish invites you to a meeting with Mary Wagner who is an active advocate of the pro-life movement in Canada. She has spent about six years of her life behind bars because of her ministry, her prayerful presence and outreach to abortion-minded mothers at abortion clinics. Ms. Mary will be sharing her faith with us on Saturday, May 11 at 7:45pm in the parish hall of St. Maximilian Kolbe in Mississauga. Come and invite others.

### RIGHT TO LIFE ANNUAL MEETING

Right to Life also invites you to its annual meetings on Saturday, June 8 at St. Peter's Basilica. Paul in Toronto. This is a FREE event, but due to the limited number of places, registration is required. MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION LINK - <https://trtl.ca/events/agm/>

### JUBILEE OF FR. KAZIMIERZ'S PRIESTLY ORDINATION

On Sunday, June 9, we will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 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.

### CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publication will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publication at (905) 624-4422.

### 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

In God's known intension  
For + Edward Wojtasik (5<sup>th</sup> anniversary) – brother-in-law Ryszard Bugaj  
For + Stefania Magdziak – friend  
For + Zofia Knapczyk – The Holy Rosary Society

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.



**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

#### 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

#### MONDAY, May 6 – Sts. Jacob & Philip, the Apostles

8:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Bozena & Jacek on their 42<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For deceased lectors & extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion of St. Casimir's Parish

#### TUESDAY, May 7

8:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for parents & children – grandmother

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For + Krzysztof Nogas (3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary) – family

#### WEDNESDAY, May 8 – St. Stanislaus, bishop & martyr

8:00 For health, God's blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for Stasia Kolpak with children – mother

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For + Gertruda & Alfons Linke – daughter Anna

#### THURSDAY, May 9

8:00 For + Jan & Jozef Rogalski – Zofia Rogalska

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For + Zofia & Wacław Jekot – daughter

#### FRIDAY, May 10

8:00 In thanksgiving asking for health, God's care & gifts of the Holy Spirit for family – father & grandfather

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For deceased from the Roszak family – brother & son Stanislaw with family

#### SATURDAY, May 11

8:00 1. In thanksgiving for the benefactors & in the intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2. In thanksgiving asking for further graces for Bozena on her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday - own

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For + Ewa Dyki (2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary) – husband & son

#### The Ascension of the Lord

#### Sunday, May 12

8:00 For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus Society

9:30 For + Teresa Opalinski – daughter Joanna Opalinski with family

11:00 For parishioners

13:00 For + Mirosław Pietka (2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary) – wife with family

18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary

19:00 For + Janina & Andrzej Gal & deceased from the Luberda & Gal families – Wanda with children