

ST. CASIMIR’S PARISH

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February 2, 2025
The Presentation of the Lord

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.
For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.
PASTOR’S REFLECTION

The content of the feast of the Presentation of the Lord is profound: Christ the Lord enters the temple to emphasize that the priesthood of the Old Covenant is ending, and that in Him and through Him begins the new Priesthood and the new, highest and most perfect Sacrifice, which He has initiated today by the act of offering Himself to the heavenly Father in the temple. In the tenth century, the custom of blessing candles was introduced on this occasion to commemorate the fact that Simon called Christ the Lord “a light for enlightening the Gentiles and for the glory of Your people Israel”. Christ himself will explain this symbolism of light in detail when he calls himself “the Light of the World”. In the Polish tradition, this feast is also called the feast of Our Lady of Candlemas.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE WORKS OF THE
OBLATE MISSIONS

Today, we will have a second collection for the works of Oblate Missions. The envelopes are in the Sunday offerings sets and at the back of our church. God bless you for your generosity!

MISSIONARY GROUP MEETING

We invite you to the devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Wednesday at 6:30 pm followed by the Multiple Intentions Mass. Intentions for the mass can be ordered only in the parish office.

DEVOTIONS

This week we invite you to services for new vocations to the priesthood and religious life on Thursday and to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday. On Friday, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private adoration from 3:00 p.m., confession from 6:00 p.m.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

On Wednesday, Sr. Weronika will celebrate her birthday, and on this occasion, we send her our warmest wishes. Above all, we wish you an abundance of God's gifts and every blessing. One hundred years.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING

The Parish Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, March 2 after the 1 pm Mass in the youth room. We are becoming an older parish and we lack people to get involved in the Parish Committee, collect the Sunday collection plate, help with preparations for the holidays in the church and Corpus Christi, etc. Interested persons are asked to contact Mr. Zbigniew Musial.

INCOME TAX RECEIPT 2024

The income tax receipts for the donations made last year have already been sent to our parishioners. Parishioners who donated by credit card will receive a separate tax receipt. God bless you for your generosity.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This year the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Sunday, April 6 at 9:30 am.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday, May 18 at the Holy Masse at 9:30 in English and 1 pm in Polish.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RETREAT

Youth Teams of our Lady (YTOL) is inviting all high school students (grade 9-12) to the March Break Retreat from Sunday March 9 to Friday March 14th. The retreat will be taking place at the Blue Springs Scout Reserve in Acton. For more information regarding the topic, registration process and price of the retreat please contact Anna Jach (519)-571-9241 or 519-588-9241

OUR YOUTH INVITE TO THE ITALIAN DANCE
PARTY

The youth of St. Casimir’s Parish invites you to the **Italian Dinner Dance Party**, Saturday, March 1, 2025 from 7pm to 2am at St. Casimir’s Parish Hall, 156 Roncesvalles Ave. Raffle, Non Stop live band, cash bar. Tickets \$75. Proceeds go to the youth pilgrimage to Rome in July 2025; for tickets please call the parish office (416) 532-2822

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

From September 28 to October 9, a pilgrimage to Italy will take place on the announcement of the Holy Year 2025. During the 12-day pilgrimage, we will visit Rome, the Vatican, the Sistine Chapel, the church of Quo Vadis, the Catacombs, Monte Cassino, the place of residence of St. Father Pio San Giovanni Rotondo; the grotto of St. Michael the Archangel in Monte Santo’Angelo, Lanciano, Manopollo, the House of the Holy Family in Loreto, Venice, Padua, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Florence, Assisi - the place of St. Francis, and St. Rota in Cascia. More information is provided by Polimex.

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

16th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference will take place on Saturday, March 22, 2025 9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill Tikets \$65 (includes light lunch) until Feb. 14. Speakers: Annie Karto: *Divine Mercy Flood My Soul* Lisa Canning: *Surrendering in Suffering: Discovering JOY* Fr. Marcin Serwin OMI: *Being a Priest - Being a Midwife* Dr. Stephanie Kafie: *Totus Tuus - 5 Ways to Live out “Totally Yours”* Dorothy Pilarski: *Your Life is Going to Change* Closing Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Robert Kasun CSB TO REGISTER GO TO dwf2025.eventbrite.ca

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2025 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 receipts will be sent in February.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORE

Pilgrimage to Medjugore with the Warriors of Mary and the Catholic Pilgrimage Agency “FLIGHT WITH MARY” under the spiritual care of Fr. Paweł Pilarczyk, OMI, from April 21 to 30, 2025 Marzena (647) 284-1631 Małgorzata (416) 859-8469

MASS INTENSIONS

We inform you about possibility of ordering Mass intentions at the Oblate Missions in the parish office. All mission intentions that were given in the parish office have already been fulfilled. We encourage you to give intentions that help missionaries in their work of evangelization.

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 + Stefania Piersiak – The Holy Rosary Society
In thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit, angels & advocates in heaven who advocate for us - Danuta
For + parents, sister & brother-in-law – Jadwiga Kushnir
For + Jan – brother Andrzej
For + Stefania Piersiak x5 - Anna & John Hyc

GREGORIAN MASSES

01.02 – 02.03 For + Wladyslaw Kozlowski – Zasowski family
01.03 - 30.03 For + Stefania Piersiak – daughter with family
01.03 - 30.03 For + Karol Kozakiewicz – sister Anna Lubinski

MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS	
Presentation of the Lord	
Sunday, February 2	
8:00	For the members of the Holy Rosary Society
9:30	For + Teresa Opalinska – Joanna Opalinski with family
11:00	In thanksgiving asking for God’s blessing for Karolina & Jerzy Terka on their 25 th wedding anniversary - own
13:00	For + Bronislawa Majewska & Franciszek Pekalski – Montrose Miazga
19:00	For God’s blessing for Maria Krzeszowiec on her name day – daughter with husband
MONDAY, February 3	
8:00	For + Janusz Skierski – Izabela Kielbinska & Barbara Zyta with families
19:00	For + lectors & extraordinary ministers of the holy communion
TUESDAY, February 4	
8:00	For + Stefania & Franciszek Stepein & deceased for the family – Stepien family
19:00	For deceased from the Banaszek, Czernicki & Talaji families – Modlinski family
WEDNESDAY, February 5 – St. Agatha, virgin & martyr	
8:00	For + Wanda, Wladyslaw & Ray Kuszelewski – sister & brothers with families
18:30	<u>Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u>
19:00	Multiple Intentions Mass
THURSDAY, February 6 – Sts. Paul Miki & Companions, martyrs	
8:00	For God’s help & needed graces for Fr. Jerzy Kotowski OMI
18:30	<u>Devotion of the first Thursday of the month</u>
19:00	For + Joanna Rzeszutek on the 1 st anniversary of death – Posluszny family
FRIDAY, February 7	
8:00	For + Olga & Emilia Branski, Edmund & Irena Leszczynski – son & daughter with family
18:30	<u>Devotion of the first Friday of the month</u>
19:00	For + Irena Labik (13 th anniversary) – mother & siblings
SATURDAY, February 8	
8:00	For + Andrzej Koziaara - sister
19:00	For + Lucjan Grela on the 1 st anniversary of death – wife with children
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Sunday, February 9	
8:00	For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus Society
9:30	For + Pola & Feliks Sledziewski – son John with wife Hilary
11:00	For parishioners
13:00	For + Ryszard Szwedu on the 1 st anniversary of death – brother Jan with family
19:00	For + Piotr Laczek (17 th anniversary) – wife & daughter with family