Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 24, 2025

First reading: Is 66:18-21 Second reading: Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

Resp. Psalm 117: "Go out to all the world and tell the Good News."

Gospel: Lk 13:22-30

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 31, 2025

First reading: Sir 3:17-20, 28-29 Second reading: Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a

Resp. Psalm 68: "God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor."

Gospel: Lk 14:1, 7-14

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Ryan Taylor Faraone & Anna-Maria Niec

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Kamila Janz Eternal rest grant her, Lord

THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION

Today, the prophet Isaiah speaks figuratively of a call for all nations to faith in the true God and to the Church, symbolized by Zion and Jerusalem. This theme is also present in Luke's Gospel passage, where the procession becomes the path that will lead the Gentiles to salvation. God desires the salvation of all, but on one condition: we must desire it. This is the Good News at the end of the summer holidays. The Lord tests his beloved people to bring out all the good in us—let us hear about it today.

RENOVATION FUND

Next Sunday, August 31, the second collection will be collected for the Renovation Fund which goes to renovation of the pews. We thank everyone for the donation.

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF CZESTOCHOWA

On Tuesday, August 26, we will once again turn our thoughts and hearts to Jasna Góra to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary of Częstochowa. One could say that this is a very Polish holiday. Saint John Paul II reminded us of what Jasna Góra is and what it should be for us when he said: "We come to Jasna Góra to the Mother of God with the centuries-old deposit of our entrustment, which is the heritage of entire generations."

THE MARTYRDOM OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

On Friday, August 29, we commemorate the martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist in the liturgy. This is the second commemoration of this saint in the liturgical calendar, following the June celebration of his birth (June 24). For his uncompromising stance, John the Baptist, like other prophets and later the Apostles, paid the ultimate price.

DEVOTIONS

In the first week of September is the first Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the month: the first Wednesday – devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 6:30 pm followed by the Multiple Intension Mass at 7pm; the first Thursday – we pray for a vocation to priesthood and religious life at 6:30 pm; the first Friday – an occasion to go to confession starting at 6 pm; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 3 pm; the first Saturday – a day dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

RONCESVALLES POLISH FESTIVAL

On September 13 and 14, the Roncesvalles Polish Festival will take place. It is the most famous and largest Polish Festival in Canada. Last year, over 300,000 people participated in it. Our parish is organizing a stand with delicious Polish food again. That is why we are asking all parishioners for help in preparing our stand and for its service. We are counting on your help. Mrs. Stefania Baran from the Financial Committee is responsible for all preparations. Please get involved, help us. You can also report your help to the office.

Today, after the 11:00 AM Mass, a meeting with volunteers and those responsible for the Polish Roncesvalles Festival will be held in the parish hall.

Please note: Sunday, September 14, due to the Polish Roncesvalles Festival, there will be no 1 pm Mass. There will be a stage right next to the church, which will certainly not bring the necessary peace and quiet to the church.

CATECHESIS 2025/2026

Catechesis in our parish for the 2025-2026 year will begin on September 20, 2025, and will take place on Saturdays from 12:15 PM to 1:45 PM after Polish School classes in the classrooms of St. Casimir's Polish School. Catechesis will be provided to children from kindergarten to 7th grade. Registration forms are available in the parish office or on our website www.kazimierz.org (tab: About the parish/Forms to download). Registration is open until October 19, 2025.

MASS INTENSIONS FOR 2026

Mass intentions for 2026 may be requested starting <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 16 in the parish hall</u>. We remind all parishioners that each family may request up to four Mass intentions per year, of which only one can be on a Sunday. After September 16, <u>intensions can be requested in person only at the parish office</u>.

RESTORATION OF THE CHURCH PEWS

The second row of pew renovations will begin at the end of September. The pews are original and over 70 years old. The renovation involves completely removing the old varnish from the wooden tops of each pew. After thorough cleaning, the pews are then refinished several times. The work is being performed by a Polish company, and the cost of restoring all the pews in the church is \$55,000 plus taxes, or \$7,150, for a total of \$62,150. We sincerely thank all donors. The cost of restoring the kneelers is as follows: each kneeler costs \$110, or \$9,680 for 88 kneelers. We hope to raise funds for restoring the kneelers at the Polish Festival in Roncesvalles. The second

collection for the Restoration Fund, which involves restoring the pews, will take place on Sunday, August 31.

POLISH CANADIAN MILENIUM FUND

Applications for student grants: applicants must be students of Polish descent who have completed their first year of studies and are currently enrolled in a program of study at a Canadian post-secondary educational institution. The deadline for submission is September 15. More information on www.millenniumfund.ca

THANKS & GRATITUDE...

We extend our sincere thanks to Marian Turczynski and Stanisław Cop for their continued hard work on modernizing the electrical system. In recent months, we have replaced the lighting in the bathrooms, the Polish school, and the utility rooms, and currently, they are working on replacing the old electrical wiring in the altar boys' room. Their work has saved the parish a tremendous amount of money. God bless you! We also thank Edward Milewski, who has been painting the catechism and Polish school rooms for several weeks. We would also like to thank the gentlemen who constantly care for our parish and its facilities. We especially thank Stanislaw Roszak, Jozef Stepien, Edward Milewski, Bogdan Socha, Zbigniew Musial, Andrzej Peczar, Adam Waligora and many others who always help us.

MASS INTENTIONS AT THE OBLATE MISSIONS

For + Cecylia Pelic x2 – Peczar family

In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing, health & care of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Lidia Pelic on her birthday x2 – Peczar family

For + Edward Milewski – Milewskich family

MASS INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 24

- 8:00 For deceased from the Szuper family Maria Szuper
- 9:30 For + Michal Kic (11th anniversary) parents
- 11:00 For parishioners
- 13:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Stanislawa Parwicka on het 100th birthday children, grandchildren & great grandchildren
- 19:00 For + Danuta Jagdeo Aldona with family

MONDAY, August 25

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 19:00 For + Irena & Andrzej Krukowski Edyta

TUESDAY, August 26 – Our Lady of Czestochowa

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 19:00 For + Regina Wiszniewska daughter

WEDNESDAY, August 27 – St. Monica

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 19:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for James on his 6th birthday mother & grandmother

THURSDAY, August 28 – St. Augustin, bishop & doctor of the Church

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 19:00 For the gifts of the Holy Spirit for Gabriela & Weronika Strama, Jessica & Ewa Kolpak grandparents

FRIDAY, August 29 – The Passion of St. John the Baptist

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 19:00 For + Janina & Stanislaw & deceased from the Plona family Halina

SATURDAY, August 30

- 8:00 For + Anna & Jozef Bembenek Grzegorz Bembenek
- 13:00 Wedding Mass Gabriel Stankiewicz & Karolina Wojdylo
- 19:00 For + Andrzej Nowak daughter Iwona with family

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 31

- 8:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for the Czapla & Nunes families own
- 9:30 For + Maria & Karol Iglar, Antonina & Bronislaw Hyc, Danuta & Wladyslaw Majka children
- 11:00 For parishioners
- 13:00 For God's blessing for grandchildren & their parents father & grandfather
- 19:00 For + Stefan, Zofia & Stanislaw Sitko Teresa Sitko with family

MONDAY, September 1

- 8:00 For + Julia Goryjowski son with family
- 19:00 For the lectors & extraordinary ministers of the Holy Communion

TUESDAY, September 2

- 8:00 For God's blessing & gifts of the Holy Spirit for Marlene Jacob grandmother
- 19:00 In thanksgiving asking for health & God's blessing for children & grandchildren Zdzislaw Idzik

WEDNESDAY, September 3 – St. Gregory the Great, pope & doctor of the Church

- 8:00 For + Maria & Antoni Poliwka & deceased from the Wyszkiewicz family family
- 18:30 Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
- 19:00 Multiple Intensions Mass

THURSDAY, September 4

- 8:00 For + Maria Dobek & Kazimierz Kalisiak (23rd anniversary) children with families
- 19:00 For health & care of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Sebastian & Zofia grandparents

FRIDAY, September 5

- 8:00 For + Antoni daughter Malgorzata with family
- 19:00 For + Jarek (anniversary) & Stanislawa Modlinski family

SATURDAY, September 6

- 8:00 1. In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Tomasz Panek family
 - 2. In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Marianna & Piotr Wilczynski on their 50th wedding anniversary own
- 19:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Lina & Lukasz Kolpak on their 20th wedding anniversary mother

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 7

- 8:00 For the members of the Holy Rosary Society
- 9:30 For God's blessing & care of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Madison grandparents
- 11:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Iwona & Andrzej Holowko on their 25th wedding anniversary & for Michal Grygatowicz on his 85th birthday own
- 13:00 For + Ursula Bak (12th anniversary) Jozef
- 19:00 For + Maria, Jan & Stanislaw Blicharski wife & daughters