#### All the Faithful Departed November 2, 2025

First reading: Jo 19,1.23-27a

Second reading: 1 Cor 15, 20-24a. 25-28

Resp. 27: " In the land of the living I will see the goodness of God."."

Gospel: Lk 23, 44-46.50.52-53, 24, 1-6a

## Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

#### THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION

In the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, the Lord gives us a word full of comfort and hope. Job speaks of this from the very beginning, whose story, though dramatic, will end with the vision of the Savior—of this Job is convinced. The words of the Gospel, which narrates the resurrection of Christ, are also full of hope. Its summary is a major reason to look to heaven in the context of our own place prepared by the Lord. The last verse of the Gospel assures us that Jesus is not in the tomb; he is alive, for he has risen. Since we will see God's goodness in the land of the living, let us now listen to His assurances that our future homeland will be heaven.

#### ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

This Sunday marks the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, also known as All Souls' Day. Cemeteries remind us of the transience and fragility of human life, but as Christians, we trust that our deceased loved ones, and one day we ourselves, will join the ranks of the saints and blessed. Let us remember that there is no "All Dead Day."

#### A PLENARY INDULGANCE

We remind you that for the first eight days of November (until November 8<sup>th</sup>), we can offer the souls in purgatory a great gift – a plenary indulgence for piously visiting a cemetery and offering a prayer for them, as well as fulfilling the other usual conditions for an indulgence, namely: a state of sanctifying grace, freedom from any sin, receiving Holy Communion, and reciting a prayer for the intentions designated by the Pope. Let our care for the deceased not be limited to the popular "memorials." Let us strive to be with them more often and pray for them. They will repay us with their prayers and their intercession before God.

# NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF PRAYARS FOR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Church prays for all the deceased, especially in November. One way to help is through memorial services. We remind you that in November, 15 Masses are celebrated in our parish and 30 Masses are celebrated at the Provincial House for the intentions mentioned in the All Souls' Day envelopes.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

This week marks the First Thursday and First Friday of the month.

On First Thursday (November ), we will thank God for the gift of the Eucharist and pray for numerous and holy vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The service will begin at 6:30 PM.

On First Friday (November 7), there will be a special opportunity to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and reconcile with God and our brothers and sisters. Adoration of the Lord Jesus will begin at 3:00 PM.

The First Friday devotion and an opportunity for confession in our church from 6:00 PM.

#### DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Next Sunday, November 9, we will celebrate the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. This feast reminds us that we are part of one great universal Church. The name "Roman Catholic" indicates the special importance Rome holds within it. The Lateran Basilica is the cathedral of Rome and the mother of all the churches in the world. For a thousand years, the life of the Church centered around it, and even when a basilica was built over the tomb of St. Peter the Apostle in the Vatican, the Lateran Basilica retained its status as the cathedral of the bishop of Rome. To this day, above the entrance to the Lateran Basilica, a Latin inscription reads: "Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and of the World."

#### THE SHEPHERDS' TRUST

There will be a second collection on November 16 for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work.

#### **CATECHESIS 2025-2026**

Catechesis in our parish for the 2025-2026 school year have already started and 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. Children from kindergarten to grade 7 will be catechized. Registration forms are available at the parish office or on our website www.kazimierz.org (tab: About the parish/Forms to download). Preparation for First Communion will be conducted in Polish and English, while preparation for Confirmation will be conducted in English only. Parents who register their children for the sacraments of First

Communion and Confirmation are asked to attach a copy of a child baptism certificate if was outside the St. Casimir's Parish.

#### THE ADVENT RETREAT IN POLISH

The Advent retreat in our parish will take place from November 30 to December 2, at the very beginning of Advent. The preacher will be Ft. Anton Litvinov, OMI, from Turkmenistan.

#### A PARISH DINNER

We are organizing a parish dinner to help missionaries in Cuba. Two Polish Oblate missionaries are working in Havana. The needs are enormous, and we can help. On Sunday, December 7, we invite you to the parish hall for a meal. You can purchase and eat items such as cabbage rolls, pierogi, sausages, and salads.

#### **RETREAT**

The Community Crusade for the Liberation of Man invites parishioners to a retreat, which will be held at the Michaelite Fathers' Retreat Center in Melrose (London, Ontario), from November 14 to 16, 2025. The retreat will be led by Fr. Jerzy Nowak (during the retreat, we will hear three conferences on opening ourselves, recognizing, and accepting the Lord's will, based on the example of St. Mary Magdalene from the Gospel of John 20:1, 11-18). We invite you to experience an encounter with the Lord in the Word of God, in the Eucharist, and in community. The cost of the retreat is \$240 per person (\$120 deposit, the retreat begins Friday evening at 7:00 PM and ends Sunday at 3:00 PM). For registration and more information, contact 416 420-7997 or email cwojci3560@gmail.com

#### 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 INTENSIONS AND DEVOTIONS

## All the Faithful Departed

### Sunday, November 2

- 8:00 For the members of the Holy Rosary Society 9:30 For + Miroslaw Kulesza – sister with family
- 11:00 In thanksgiving asking for God's blessing for Czeslaw & Regina Kis on their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary & Barbara & Ernest on their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary own
- 13:00 For deceased from the Willamowicz, Taszycki, Szymczak, Tomasik & Kalicki families family
- 19:00 For + Maria & Jozef Gaworecki and Jan Braczek daughter & wife with family

#### MONDAY, November 3

- 8:00 For + Eugeniusz Pelic wife with family
- 19:00 For deceased lectors & extraordinary ministers of the Holy Communion

#### TUESDAY, November 4 – St. Charles Boromeo, Bishop

- 8:00 For + Ryszard Leszczynski Bozena with family
- 19:00 For souls in purgatory

#### WEDNESDAY, November 5

- 8:00 For + Jan Jasinski (12<sup>th</sup> anniversary) wife with family
- 18:30 Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
- 19:00 Multiple Intensions Mass

#### THURSDAY, November 6

- 8:00 For + Halina Andruszyn-Kowalska daughter
- 18:30 Devotion of the first Thursday of the month
- 19:00 For + Blazej & Waleria Blazejewicz & deceased from the Blazejewicz, Marszalek & Babiuch families granddaughter

#### FRIDAY, November 7

- 8:00 1. For + Ursula Bak, her parents & brother Henry Sliwinski Jozef
  - 2. For + Franciszek Biel on the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of death son Pawel with family
- 18:30 Devotion of the first Friday of the month
- 19:00 For + Karol Mysliwiec, Eugeniusz Iglar, Dominik Brzyzek, Malgorzata & Jozef Pawlik - Anna

#### SATURDAY, November 8

- 8:00 1. For + Stanislaw Panek family
  - 2. For + Maria Wasilewska (2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary) Anna Kogut
- 19:00 For + Halina Lapinska daughter Elzbieta with family

## The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Sunday, November 9

- 8:00 For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus
- 9:30 For + Bronislaw Albinowski daughters, grandchildren & great grandson
- 11:00 For parishioners
- 13:00 For + Czeslaw Dziuba Stanislawa Dziuba
- 19:00 For + Zofia Kozacz & deceased from the Kozacz & Buldys families daughter with family