

***Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2026***

First reading: Acts 6, 1-7

Second reading: 1 P 2, 4-9

Resp. 33: „ Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.”

Gospel: J 14, 1-12

Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.

For Polish Masses, see Mass Intention schedule.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Madeline Monardo

THE PASTOR'S REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises us a dwelling in the Father's house, which gives us a sense of security in His presence. He himself comes to fill the hearts of his disciples with truth and life, guiding us in the ways of God. Home is more a relationship than a place; through it, we can see the Father, about whom Jesus spoke most through his own life. Let us draw closer to the Lord, who is chosen by God. In this way, we will be incorporated into the house of God, that is, the spiritual temple. St. Peter calls it a royal priesthood and a holy nation. In this house, everyone has a specific task. Some hear the word and proclaim it, others serve. Let us keep an open heart to find ourselves in the Church - God's house. Then the Spirit of Jesus will lead us to a specific mission.

MAY - MARIAN MONTH

We are celebrating the month of May, dedicated to Mary. Every day we gather around the altar for the Eucharist and the May devotion. In the school of Mary, let us learn total devotion to God and to our brothers and sisters. Let us participate in this prayerful adoration of the Mother of our Lord and ours. In so many personal, family, and national matters, we can and should ask for her intercession.

In our church, we celebrate the May devotion daily at 6:30 PM. **During May, weekday Masses are celebrated only in the evenings at 7:00 PM, as the parish priest will be alone in the parish for the foreseeable future, while the other priests are on vacation in Poland. There is no sacrament of confession during the week.**

SHARE LIFE

Thank you to everyone who donated to ShareLife last Sunday. Our collection totaled \$5,015.

ST. STANISLAUS' FEAST

Friday, May 8, is the feast of St. Stanislaus, bishop and martyr, the principal patron saint of Poland. On this day, we will pray to God for peace in our homeland and throughout the world, as it marks the 81st anniversary of the end of World War II. Let us pray to Divine Providence that future generations of Poles may live in peace. Because of the solemnity, abstinence from meat is not required on this day.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE POPE ELECTION

This Friday marks the first anniversary of the election of Pope Leo XIV. On May 8, 2025, Cardinal Robert Prevost, a native of the United States, was elected the next pope of the Catholic Church. Let us pray for the Peter of our times, Pope Leo XIV, that, guided by the light of the Holy Spirit, he may strengthen the Church of Christ and effectively strive for peace in the world.

MULTIPLE INTENSIONS MASS

This coming Wednesday, we invite you to a collective Holy Mass at 7:00 PM. Intentions are available at the parish office.

POLISH HERITAGE MONTH

On Sunday, May 10, the Canadian Polish Congress cordially invites the entire Polish community to a celebration of Polish Heritage Month and the 235th anniversary of the Constitution of May 3 at City Hall in Toronto, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. A solemn Mass will be held at St. Stanislaus Church earlier at 10:00 a.m. The program includes a grand parade through the streets of Toronto, band performances, a Polonaise, many attractions for children and adults, Polish food, and a DJ. Parking at City Hall is only \$10 for the entire day. Let's celebrate together in red and white – let's be seen and heard! More information: www.polishmayparade.ca

POLISH ALTAR IN MIDLAND

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Shrine of the Canadian Martyrs and the 70th anniversary of Polish pilgrimages to Midland. It is worth recalling the origins of these pilgrimages. In 1956, to celebrate the Marian Year, the 300th anniversary of the defense of Jasna Góra, and King John's vows, the first nationwide Polish pilgrimage to Midland was organized at the initiative of Father Józef Capiga of Hamilton and Father Michael Smith, OMI. It attracted approximately 12,000 Polish pilgrims from Ontario and the United States. Fifty-three years ago, in 1973, the Polish Altar was built thanks to donations from the Polish community. Unfortunately, time takes its toll, and the altar is now beyond repair, completely rotten, and the roof is in danger of collapse. After intensive

consultation with the director of the Shrine of the Canadian Martyrs and the organizers of the Walking Pilgrimage, the Conference of Polish Priests decided to build a new altar. In the coming weeks, the old altar (i.e., the wooden structure) will be demolished, and a new altar constructed. To meet legal requirements, an architect has been hired, and it is worth mentioning that the decision was made to preserve the original appearance of the altar.

The altar is scheduled to be completed for this year's Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which will take place on August 9th. It will be solemnly blessed by Archbishop Tadeusz Wojda, President of the Polish Bishops' Conference, who will preside over the main ceremonies. The total project cost will be \$65,000. To date, \$40,000 has been raised. Parishioners wishing to make a donation for the construction of the new Polish altar in Midland can deposit their donation directly into the Polish Priests' Conference Credit Union account #98757, bring it to the parish office or deposit it in the collection box at church today.

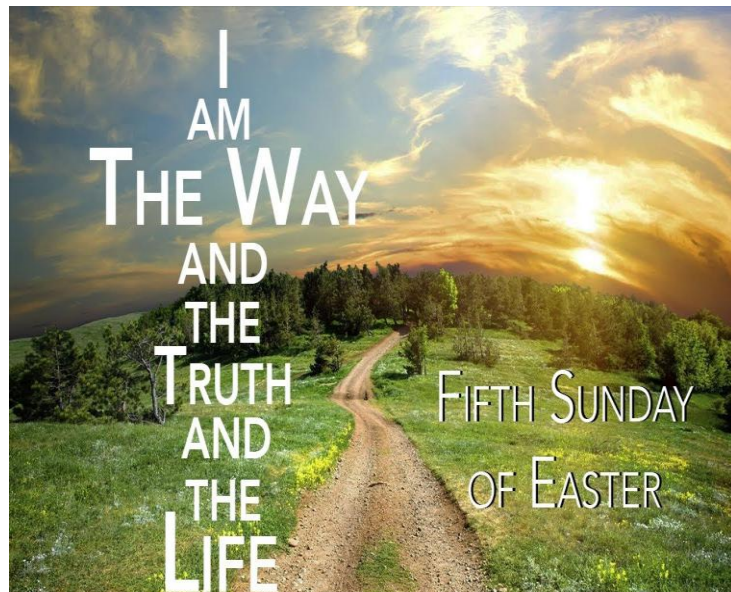
PILGRIMAGE

Polimex invites you to a pilgrimage and trip to Sicily from September 24 to October 4. For more information, please contact Polimex offices.

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 3

- 8:00 For the members of the Holy Rosary Society
- 9:30 For God's blessing for the Strycharz & Marzec families - David
- 11:00 For parishioners
- 13:00 For + Jaroslawa & Wladyslaw Zubyk – daughter
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For + Agnieszka Leszczynska - mother

MONDAY, May 4

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For the lectors of St. Casimir's Parish

TUESDAY, May 5

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For + Weronika & Jozef Durak – Helena with family

WEDNESDAY, May 6 – Sts. Philip & James, The Apostles

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 Multiple Intensions Mass

THURSDAY, May 7

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For + Mariann & Stanislaw Jakubiak and Stanislaw Karlinski – daughter & wife

FRIDAY, May 8 – St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For deceased from the Modlinski, Taranek & Krzypkowski families - family

SATURDAY, May 9

- 8:00 There is no Mass
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For + Stanislaw & Mirosława Stawicki and deceased from the Stawicki & Marszalek families – daughter with family

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 10

- 8:00 For the members of the Holy Name of Jesus Society
- 9:30 For + Leokadia Kucinski on the 1st anniversary of death - family
- 11:00 For parishioners
- 13:00 For + Ewa Dyki (4th anniversary) – husband & son
- 18:30 Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 19:00 For + Kazimierz Idzikowski – daughter Ewa with husband