3rd Sunday of Easter – April 15 (Kwiecień) 2018

Reflection for Today

Today's Gospel follows the encounter the two disciples had with the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus, where they had recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Now, these same two disciples have returned to Jerusalem, to the Upper Room where the Last Supper took place. All of the Apostles are hidden there, staying out of sight for fear that those who killed Jesus will soon be coming for them.

Jesus appears to them in that room and offers the peace that he alone can give. He reassures them they are seeing victory, not defeat—that he is truly risen. He is not a ghost and they are not hallucinating. He eats with them, and then gives them a detailed recounting of how prophesies from the Hebrew Scriptures have all been fulfilled by his passion. The disciples' mission will be to go and tell others the very same truth—God's plan of salvation did not take a detour at Calvary; instead it was the defining moment of victory.

The Resurrection becomes an anchor that preserves our hope, even, and especially, during the darkest days of our lives. In the sacraments, Jesus takes our fears away—the same way he did on the road to Emmaus and in the Upper Room. Like his disciples, we are then called to go and free others from their fears, by telling them the Good News that Christ has conquered death.

Glory

God of our fathers, by raising Jesus from the dead, you have glorified your Son and author of life.

We offer you thanks and praise for your countenance shining upon us with this great gift of love.

Like the Apostles in the Upper Room.

give us your peace as we stand in amazement of your glory.

With hearts transformed,

urge us to go forth preaching Jesus' Holy Name and bear witness to his healing love and peace.

Bind up our wounds

so that, bearing the marks of the cross,

we may be found strong in faith,

persevering in hope, and filled with the fire of your love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Schedule of Masses

Monday - April 16 9:00 am (Polish)

+ Halinę i Romana Mendelowskich (Siostra z rodzimą)

Tuesday - April 17 - No Mass

Wednesday - April 18

6:30 pm Rosary & Novena to Our Lady of

Częstochowa

7:00 pm +Peter (Anniv) & Theresa Yantha &

Cecilia Krezel (Peter Yantha Jr)

Thursday - April 19

9:00 am + Andrew Lorbetskie

(Clemence & Rose Stamplecoskie)

Friday - April 20

Adoration from 3 pm to 7 pm

7:00 pm +Paul Shulist (Marilyn Shulist)

Saturday - April 21

5:00 pm +Felix Coulas (Susan Coulas &

Family)

Sunday - April 22—4th Sunday of Easter 8:00 am +Stella Burchat & All Departed Souls of Burchat & Prince Family (Adolph Burchat) 10:00 am For all of our Parishioners

In your prayers remember:

- Our sick and hospitilized
- * Our elderly parishioners.
- * All those at the manor, lodge and homebound.
- Our deceased friends & relatives

Ministry Assignments next Sunday

	Sat, Apr 21 5:00 p.m.	Sun, Apr 22 8:00 a.m.	Sun, Apr 22 10:00 a.m.
Rosary	Rita Coulas	Drenda Lapenskie	Silas Lorbetskie
Altar Servers		John Platt	Emilia Sadecki Janisa Visutskie
Lector	Sylvester Prince	Steve Platt	Bozena Szymkow
E.M.	Ed Chippior	Ray Smaglinskie	Jerzy Kozicki
Ushers	Stanley Golka	Michael Coulas	Zbigniew Szymkow
	Justin Recoskie	Dominic Coulas	Michael Bloskie
	Carl Lorbetskie	Clarence Stamplecoskie	Bernard Blank
	Michael Brotton	Dominic Burchat	Barbara Blank
Altar Committee	Fri, Apr 20 to Fri, Apr 27 - Audrey Y. & Drenda L.		



Announcements

St. Casimir Knights of Columbus Breakfast will be held on Sun, Apr 15th in St. Casimir's Parish Hall. It is a 'free will offering'. The breakfast time will be between 9:00 am and 12:30 pm. There will also be gluten free toast and pancakes. Everyone welcome!

Local **Knights of Columbus** are sponsoring a bus to Ottawa on **Thurs, May 10th** to **support the Pro Life Movement.** Sign up sheets also at back of church.

Food Bank Grow-a-Row Program: Since fruit and veggie donations are rare, gardeners are encouraged to grow an extra tray of seedlings or row of produce for families in need. For more information or to donate, please contact Terry Newcombe at 613-756-3344.

A local **World Day of Prayer service** will be held at Epiphany **Anglican Church** in Barry's Bay on **Sun**, **Apr 22nd at 2:00 pm.**

Parishioners are invited to join us for Rosary and Novena to Our Lady of Częstochowa on Wed at 6:30 pm and Adoration on Fri beginning at 3 pm.

With assistance from Fr. Roman, Michael Blank, Zbigniew Mroz and Zdzislaw Jaschna the wires were strung for our sound system. **Thanks** to all who helped. **Thanks also** to Terry Mask for letting us evaluate a temporary system.

St. Mary's Rosary Society meeting will be held on Thurs, Apr 19th at 7 pm in the rectory.

Holiness means being loving, says Pope Francis

The Holy Father has released a new apostolic exhortation on the call to holiness in today's world, *Gaudete et exsultate* (Rejoice and Be Glad), in which he says that God calls us all to be saints—not plastic statues of saints, but real people who make time for prayer and who show loving care for others in the simplest gestures. "We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer," he writes. But "that is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves."

Our deepest sympathy to family and friends of Mary Yantha and Ben Stamplecoskie who passed away last week. Eternal rest grant on to them O Lord.

Thought for this Week

God never sends anyone trials too heavy to bear, and he is with those in distress. Since this is certain, you need fear nothing, but rely on his mercy.

- St. Teresa of Avila