

Reflection for Today

The word “vanity” means different things to different people. Some think of the bathroom counter. Others think of it as a preoccupation with one’s physical appearance. According to Qoheleth, who wrote the Book of Ecclesiastes, vanity defines worthless and futile pursuits: *Vanity of vanities, all things are vanity.* Qoheleth lived among a people so intent on the pursuit of wealth and possessions that they became forgetful of God, and of goodness. He asserts that nothing but sorrow and grief come from our earthly labors—far better for us to store up for ourselves treasures in heaven.

What does matter to God? How much money we have or how much property we own? Accolades we may have received? It may have more to do with how much we are willing to share than how much we can keep for ourselves. What matters most to God is our faith, hope and charity, and how we use these virtues to benefit our brothers and sisters. So much of our time and attention is devoted to work, financial matters and recreation, there is little time left for prayer. The landowner’s sudden demise is a sign for us that we will face the judgment day at time we least expect. Our degress and property holding will not speak for us on that day, only how much love we share with those around us.

Jesus owned nothing. He was a prince who lived like a pauper-born in someone else’s barn and buried in another’s tomb. Everything he did have he gave for us-to break the chains of sin, Satan and death-forever and for everyone. In order to live like Jesus, we have to learn to give like Jesus and to love like Jesus, not counting the cost. Yes, Christ came with nothing and left with nothing, but gained everything in the process-for himself and for us. What we do for love of him will help us to know him love him and serve him, and one day be joined to him forever in heaven.

Jesus, beloved Savior, teach me how to live according to your gospel, as Saint John Paul encourages me to do. And please give me the courage to do this even when I am pressured on all sides to do otherwise. I ant to be a true believer, one who is fully committed to loving and serving my Father and yours. Amen.

Schedule of Masses

Monday, August 6—Transfiguration of the Lord

9:00 am (Polish)

+Stanislaw Bartkowicz

Tuesday - August 7 —No Mass

Wednesday – August 8 (Polish/English) - St. Dominic

6:30 pm *Rosary and Novena to Our Lady of*

Częstochowa

7:00 pm **Holy Souls in Purgatory** (Parishioner)

For good health and the gift of God’s

mercy for sick parishioners of Burlington

& Hamilton (Teresa Gozdzilowska)

+Mary Yantha (Susan Coulas)

Thursday –August 9—St. Teresa Benedicta

9:00 am +Agnes Etmanskie (Mr. & Mrs. E. Trebinskie)

Friday – August 10—St. Lawrence

Adoration from 3 pm to 7 pm

7:00 pm +Lolly Shulist (Estate)

+Edward Pecarskie (Ernie & Beatrice Coulas)

+Sylvester Recoskie

(Craig & Lorraine Coulter)

Saturday - August 11—St. Philomena

5:00 pm **For all of our Parishioners**

Sunday—August 12

8:00 am +Tony Trebinskie (Elmer Dombrosie)

10:00 am +Janusza Cichockiego i Piotra

Mankowskiego (Siostra i Brat)

In your prayers remember:



- * Our sick and hospitalized
- * Our elderly parishioners.
- * All those at the manor, lodge and homebound.

Ministry Assignments next Sunday

	<i>Sat, Aug 11—5:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Sun, Aug 12—8:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sun, Aug 12—10:00 a.m.</i>
Rosary	Rita Coulas	Drenda Lapenskie	Bronis Lorbetskie
Altar Servers			Emilia Sadecki
			Janisa Visutskie
Lector	Ed Chippior	Len Gignac	Jerzy Kozicki
E.M.	Delmar Recoskie	Ray Smaglinskie	Kazimiera Ganko
Ushers	Stanley Golka	Dominic Coulas	Joanna Ropego
	Justin Recoskie	Clarence Stamplecoskie	Stanley Dombroskie
	Carl Lorbetskie	Dominic Burchat	Brian Kuiack
	Michael Brotton	Xavier Hudder	Gerard Blank
Altar Committee	Fri, Aug 10th to Fri, Aug 17th —Audrey Y. & Drenda L.		



Announcements

Parishioners are invited to join us for **Rosary** on **Wed at 6:30 pm** and **Adoration on Friday** beginning at **3 pm**.

Our **deepest sympathy** to family and friends of **Patrick Cybulskie** and **Mark Kuiack**. May they rest in peace.

Marriage banns (III) for **Jessica Madigan** and **Johnathan Recoskie**. Marriage scheduled for Aug 11th.

Reminder: If you have not already done so, please take a Chicken Supper envelope and place your donation into the collection basket. You may also include other donation details inside the envelope, to indicate donations other than money. **Thank you for your support.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Because of Lottery Licence requirements, the **Chicken Supper tickets** that were specifically assigned to envelope holders, **must be returned sold, partially sold or unsold** in collection basket. All tickets must be accounted for before the draw at our Annual Chicken Supper.

Reminder that there is a **special collection** for **Foreign Missions** on **Aug 12th**.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Wed, Aug 15th—Patron Feast of Oblate Fathers of Assumption Province in Canada—flowers and new crops will be blessed at the end of the Mass.

St. Martin of Tours Church, Whitney, invites you to their turkey, ham and baked bean supper on **Sun, Aug 5th** beginning at 1 pm.

St. Andrew’s Church, Killaloe invites you to their Hot/Cold Buffet Supper on **Sun, Aug 12th** beginning at 1:30 pm.

St. Hedwig’s Church, Barry’s Bay invites you to their Turkey Supper on **Sun, Aug 19th** beginning at 2 pm.

Our Lady of Angels Church Brudenell, invites you to their Turkey, Ham & Bean Supper on **Sun, Aug 26th** beginning at 1:30 pm.

The Diocesan Office of Faith Formation and Leadership Development is sponsoring an **Adult Faith Retreat** on **Sat, Sept 15th** at St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall, Arnprior from 10 am to 2 pm. See poster at back of church for more details.

Have a nice summer and vacation time. God bless you all.