

**Reflection for Today**

If questioned why we gather in church on Sunday, most would answer, “to worship God.” The questioner may still be confused, for there are numerous meanings to that phrase—”to worship God.” Some think that it means singing religious songs; for others it’s saying common prayers or silent ones. Worship for some may mean hearing a homily, or receiving Holy Communion, etc. There’s a clear-cut definition of worship in the second reading today from the epistle of St. James.

“Looking after orphans and widows in their distress and keeping oneself unspotted by the world make for pure worship...” This is a call to do worship rather than simply pray worship. A kind act offered for another is a gift to God, which is at the heart of any true definition of worship.

St. James gives us a threefold approach to pure worship. First and most important is to help the helpless. These are the orphans of the world, the abandoned babies, without mother and father, immature and frightened, able to do little except cry. There are so many hungry and hurting people in the world, and caring for them is pure worship. Mother Teresa, aiding the poorest of the poor, excels in this category. We extend our hands in worship when we reach out to the profoundly retarded, the acutely depressed, those burned out or drowned out by drugs and alcohol. The Church has programs for these and many other unfortunates. As part of the Church we support and share in this special worship.

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***Loving God, help me to imitate the compassion of Jesus toward the poor and needy. It’s so easy to pass them by. May I carry as Jesus did the suffering of those who experience poverty, hunger, homelessness, and abuse. May I not only carry their sufferings in my heart but also try to do something about the issues that lead to such suffering. Amen.***

**Schedule of Masses**

**Monday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great**

9:00 am (Polish) O pomoc w znalezieniu pracy dla Karoliny Gebel (siostra Zosia)

**Tuesday, September 4 —No Mass**

**Wednesday, September 5 (Polish/English)**

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:30 am *Rosary*

9:00 am Lynn Richards (Annoymous)

O powrót do wiary, medrość zyciową, Błogosławieństwo Boze i potrzebne łaski dla Danieli (Robert)

God’s mercy for Purgatory’s Souls (Mano)

**Thursday, September 6—St. Zacharias**

9:00 am +Peter Murack  
(Charles & Rachel Stamplicoski)

**Friday, September 7**

*Adoration from 3 pm to 7 pm*

7:00 pm +Ambrose Chippior (Chippior Family)

+Mary Borutski (Don Etmanskie)

+Leonard Kuiack (Arthur & Lillian Shulist)

**Saturday, September 8—Birth of Blessed Virgin Mary**

5:00 pm +Andrew Blank (2nd Anniv)  
Kyle. Krystal & Payton Blank

**Sunday, September 9**

8:00 am For all of our Parishioners

9:45 am O łaskę wiary dls polskiej młodzieży  
(Teresa Gozdzilowska)

**Thought for this Week**

*Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did. -St. Maximilian Kolbe*



## Ministry Assignments next Sunday

	<i>Sat, Sept 8—5:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Sun, Sept 9—8:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sun, Sept 9—10:00 a.m.</i>
<b>Rosary</b>	Rita Coulas	Drenda Lapenskie	Anna Burdzinski
<b>Altar Servers</b>			Emilia Sadecki
			Janisa Visutskie
<b>Lector</b>	Nelson Burchat	Edwin Echavarry	Catherine Bloskie
<b>E.M.</b>	Sylvester Prince	Ray Smaglinskie	Gerard Blank
<b>Ushers</b>	Stanley Golka	Jerome Kuiack	Andrew Shulist
	Justin Recoskie	Ray Kutchkoskie	Zbigniew Mroz
	Michael Brotton	Patrick Kutchkoskie	Tony Murack
	Carl Lorbetskie	Chris Kutchkoskie	Zbigniew Szymkow
<b>Altar Committee</b>	Fri, Sept 7th to Fri, Sept 14th—Audrey Y. & Drenda L.		



## Announcements

Parishioners are invited to join us for **Rosary** on **Wed at 8:30 am** and **Adoration on Friday** beginning at **3:00 pm**.

**St. Mary's Annual Chicken Supper** will be held on **Sun, Sept 2nd**. Guest Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon and supper will begin at **1:00 pm**. **EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!**



**On Wed, Sept 5th**, the Mass has been changed to **9:00 am** instead of the evening.

There will be a **follow-up Chicken Supper meeting** on **Thurs, Sept 6th at 6:30 pm** for feedback on the event.

**Visitation of the Sick** will be on **Fri, Sept 7th**. If you wish to be added on the list, contact the office.

Please note that **Polish Mass** on **Sun, Sept 9th** will be at **9:45 am** for **this weekend only**.

St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish is inviting you to celebrate Fr. M. Coulas' retirement on **Sun, Sept 9th**. A mass will be celebrated at 11 am, followed by a reception in the church hall from 12 noon to 3 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.

Please join **St. Patrick's Parish** in **Mount St. Patrick** for a turkey supper with ham and beans on **Sun, Sept 30th** beginning at 12:30 pm.

The Renfrew County Catholic School Board **School Year calendar** for the school year **2018-2019** is available on their website at [rccdsb.edu.on.ca](http://rccdsb.edu.on.ca)

**Going back to school**—We hope you all enjoyed a beautiful and restful summer. Soon we will return back to our normal duties and work. Students returning back to school, we wish you all the blessings for the Lord for the new endeavours.

***In your prayers remember:***



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