

*Reflection for Today*

It is characteristic of many who go through a mid-life crisis to lament: “I haven’t done anything significant with my life.” Whether this is true or not, many of us come to points in our lives when we feel like failures for not having fulfilled our lives more substantially. An elderly woman lies dying in a nursing home and asks the chaplain, “Do you think God will let me into heaven? I’m no big sinner, but I’ve never done anything important.”

There seems to be a drive in all of us to be, and do, something significant. We might recall the dreams of our youth and our flamboyant ambitions. It seems we can’t be happy unless we’ve become “stars” in some way. Our culture supports this contention with its exaggerated emphasis on “hype”. Glamor sells. Bigger is better. Ordinary people doing ordinary things never make the news. We are consistently given the impression that wealthy jet-setters and highly successful business people are the happiest people in the world.

Our Christian faith should help us see things from another perspective. Jesus was a carpenter’s son who lived most of his life in an insignificant town in an insignificant part of the world. His ministry lasted three years. His friends were fishermen. But the gospel reading offers Jesus a simple but eloquent tribute: “He has done all things well.”

We achieve greatness not only by doing great things but by doing the most ordinary things attentively and lovingly.

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**Loving God, I rejoice that Jesus is with me always. Though it’s hard to be happy when difficulties come my way, I want to take Saint John Paul’s words to heart about true joy being “a long and difficult struggle.” But I believe that with your grace all things are possible and that Jesus walks with me always. Amen.**

**Schedule of Masses**

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**Monday, September 10—No Mass**

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**Tuesday, September 11 —No Mass**

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**Wednesday, September 12—The Most Holy Name of Mary**

**6:30 am** *Rosary & Novena to Our Lady of Częstochowa*

**7:00 am** **+Dominic Lorbetskie (Anniv)**  
(Gordon Lorbetskie)

**Souls in Purgatory** (Parishioner)

**+Alex Ostroskie** (Theresa Chapeskie)

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**Thursday, September 13-St. John Chrysostom**

**9:00 am** **+Alfie Prince** (Clemence & Rose Stamplecoskie)

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**Friday, September 14-The Exaltation of the Holy**

**Cross**

*Adoration from 3 pm to 7 pm*

**7:00 pm** **+Bernadette Ostroskie** (Jerome Kuiack)

**+Helen Smaglinskie** (Estate)

**+Gertrude Pecarski** (Silas & Teresa Piecarski)

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**Saturday, September 15—Our Lady of Sorrows**

**5:00 pm** **+Elizabeth (Anniv) & Thomas Yantha**  
(Doris Hudder)

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**Sunday, September 16**

**11:00 am** **Polish/English**

**For all of our Parishioners**

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**Thought for this Week**

*A society that honours only the powerful, the clever and the winners necessarily belittles*



## Ministry Assignments next Sunday

	<i>Sat, Sept 15—5:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Sun, Sept 16—11:00 a.m.</i>
<b>Rosary</b>	Susan Prince	Silas Lorbetskie
<b>Altar Servers</b>		Emilia Sadecki
		Janisa Visutskie
<b>Lector</b>	Ed Chippior	Andrzej Suska & Michael Dombroskie
<b>E.M.</b>	Ed Chippior	Andrzej Suska
<b>Ushers</b>	Delmar Recoskie	Michael Bloskie
	David Burchat	Bernard Blank
	Aloysius Blank	Barbara Blank
	Emmett Pecarski	Henryk Bartul
<b>Altar Committee</b>	Fri, Sept 14th to Fri, Sept 21st—Virginia P. & Bernice B.	



### Announcements

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to so many of our parishioners, who made the time to once again help make our chicken supper such a success. God bless you one and all.

Knights of Columbus 50/50 draw for \$366.00 was Emily Nicholson, Ottawa.

Parishioners are invited to join us for **Rosary and Novena to Our Lady of Częstochowa** on **Wed at 6:30 am** and **Adoration on Friday** beginning at **3:00 pm**.

**Knights of Columbus Meeting on Thurs, Sept 13th at 7:30 pm.**

**There will ONLY be one Mass (Polish/English) on Sundays, effective Sun, Sept 16th, at 11:00 am, until further notice.**

Reminder that there is a special collection for **Needs of the Church** on Sun, Sept 23rd.

**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. Columbkille Cathedral Parish in Pembroke** for a roast beef/ham, supper on **Sun, Sept 16th** from 11:30am to 6:30 pm.

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** 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.

Please join **St. Alphonsus' Parish in Chapeau, Quebec** for a turkey supper on **Sun, Sept 30th** from 12:00—6:00 pm.

**Life Chain** will be held on **Sun, Sept 30th** from **2:00-3:00 pm** at **St. Casimir's Church, Round Lake**. All are encouraged to participate.

Please join **St. Casimir's Parish in Round Lake** for a roast beef supper on **Sun, Oct 7** from 12:30 -6:00 pm.

*In your prayers remember:*

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

