

Reflection for Today

“And who is my neighbor?” To whom do we offer our love and care? This question is valid because most of us believe that love must be selective and carefully parceled out—after all, we have only so much to give. Furthermore, it is easy to confess love for “mankind” in general—no difficulty in that—but not so easy to love individuals, specifically. “And who is my neighbor?” The gospel provides a clear answer. Our “neighbor” is not necessarily the person next door, or people we like, or people who are fun to be with, or people listed in a parish visitation list. Love is a condition of soul; it is not selective and cannot be “parceled out.” Our neighbor is *anyone* who needs us. It may be a son who is in particular need of encouragement, a student who is falling behind in lessons, a little girl lost in a store, an elderly lady across the street who cannot cut her grass, a cranky mother-in-law who has never heard a word of kindness, an uncle who has no one to talk to. The lesson the Lord is teaching us is that we must examine our role as Christians and be willing to perform wherever we are needed. As Christians, we are never “off duty.” Whenever someone is in need of a service we can offer, we are there to provide it—no one gets passed by.

Love is an attitude of heart; as such, it has no limits. How loving, therefore, are you? The people who need you are all around you every day, in your home, at work, on the streets, in your neighborhood. You will know when you are needed, so at least be willing to be of help whenever a need arises. Be who you are: a Christian in fact, as well as in name.

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, July 15—St. Bonaventure
10:00 am (Polish) **+Tomir Balut** (Grażyna Pietrykowska)

Tuesday, July 16—No Mass —*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel*

Wednesday, July 17—Blessed Martyrs of Comlegne
6:30 pm **Rosary & Novena**
7:00 pm **(Polish/English)**
 +Zofia & Zigmunt Lisiecki (Syn & Rodzina)
 +Gertrude Blank (Matthew Blank0
 +Mary C. Luckasavitch
 (Aponary & Doreen Recoskie)

Thursday, July 18—St. Hedwig of Poland, St Camillus de Lellis
9:00 am **+Martha Chippior** (The Family)

Friday, July 19—St. Arsenius
3:00 pm **Adoration**
7:00 pm **+Mary, John, Joseph & Alex Trebinskie**
 (Florence Trebinskie & Family)
 +Arsenault Family (M. Perry)
 +Ambrose Ostroskie (Family of Ambrose Ostroskie)

Saturday, July 20—St. Apollinaris
 +John & Esther, Brothers & Sisters of Cybulskie Family (Mary E. Luckasavitch)

Sunday, July 21 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 am **(Polish/English)** **For all of our Parishioners**

In your prayers remember:



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

Ministry Assignments Next Weekend

	Sat, July 19—5:00 pm	Sun, July 20—11:00 am	
Rosary	Rita Coulas	Anna Burdzinski	
Altar Servers		Emilia Sadecki	Janisa Visutskie
	Delmar Recoskie	Aaran Visutskie	Tobias Sullivan
		Benjamin Sullivan	
Lector	Christine Recoskie	Len Gignac / Andrzej Suska	
Eucharistic Minister	Delmar Recoskie	Zbigniew Szymkow	
	Emmett Pecarski	Zbigniew Szymkow	
Ushers	Dominic Coulas	Bernard Blank	
	Terry Burchat	Brian Kuiack	
Altar Guild	Clarence Stamplecoskie	Michael Bloskie	
	Sat, Jul 20th to Fri, Jul 26th—Julie Burchst & Lillian Shulist		



Announcements

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

A **Pastoral Letter of Archbishop Mulhall to the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Kingston and the Diocese of Pembroke** is available at the back of the church.

The Fall Diocesan **Marriage Preparation Program** is coming up on Sat, Oct 19th and Sat, Oct 26th, 2019 at St. James the Less Parish, Eganville. **Deadline to register is Oct 11th, 2019.** Registration is available online at www.pembrokedioocese.com, or a form is available at back of church. Inquiries can be directed to Yvette Bourque at 613 732-7933 ext. 208, or yvettebourque@pembrokedioocese.com.

You're invited to the *'Right to Life'* **Pancake Breakfast** at **St. Casimir's Parish** on **Sun, Jul 14th** from **9:00 am—1:00 pm.**

St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish, Barry's Bay, Sun July 14th from 12-4 p.m. in the parish parking lot. 1934-style Parish Picnic celebrating the 85th anniversary of St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish. **FREE ADMISSION.** Children's events, live entertainment, skits by Opeongo Readers Theatre, fresh items off the grill for purchase, games of chance, 50/50 draw, huge silent auction, photo booth.

Walk The Opeongo Line, Jul 25-28, 2019 – Join pilgrims from ages 7-77 in this life changing, 4-day journey from Our Lady of Fatima, Renfrew to St. Ann's Shrine, Cormac. For more information and to register, visit: walktheopeongoline.com.

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac, Ontario on Sun, July 28, 2019, at 11 am with Most Rev. Michael Mulhall and Father Brian J.T. Clarke. The theme of the pilgrimage will be "Ordinary Disciples, Extraordinary Call." See poster at the back of church for more information.

Church Picnic—St. Bernadette Parish, Bonfield, Sun, July 28th. Sea pie, home-baked beans, full course meal, assorted home pies. Meal from 3:30-6 p.m. Adults: \$15 – Children 12 and under: \$7.

You are invited to a **Classic Apricot Chicken Breast Dinner** at the Royal Canadian Legion on **Fri, Jul 26th** from **5-6 pm.** Meal tickets must be **reserved by Tues, Jul 23rd at noon.** \$15 per plate. Call 613-756-6535 or email wendishqueen@gmail.com



Thought for this Week

"We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love.:"

-Saint Mother Teresa