

### **Reflection for Today**

In today's gospel passage, Jesus speaks about God's ideas on recompense for a life well-lived. What Jesus says is that we can work diligently eight long hours under a hot sun and end up being awarded exactly the same as a drifter who came in late and worked less than a half-hour. This can upset our thinking about the reward of heaven and the punishment of hell.

For this alarming suggestion of Jesus goes against everything we have brought up to believe. Good children get candy; bad children don't. Work harder and make more money. Where would society be without a proportional reward system? How would we motivate our children if everyone gets the same, no matter how much effort they put in? Why should we be virtuous, turn the other cheek, say our prayers, conquer our temptations, if God will smile just as kindly on degenerate slumlords, gang members, and prostitutes? Why make any effort at all? It isn't fair; it isn't just; it doesn't make sense.

Many of us think and live life according to a standard of give-and-take. "I'll love you if you'll love me." "I'll respond to you if you make the first move." "I'll work harder if I get paid more." The Christian perspective, however, appeals to something higher in us: our lovingness. Getting paid the same for eight hours or one hour only makes sense to loving, generous people. First or last, it doesn't matter; more or less pay isn't the point. We're all in it together, and that's what counts. Love, not strict justice, is the issue. Loving people understand that.

### **Schedule of Masses**

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**Monday, September 21—St. Matthew**

**10:00 am (Polish) +Witold Sokalski**

(Knights of Columbus #16003)

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**Tuesday, September 22—No Mass —St. Thomas of Villanova**

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**Wednesday, September 23—St. Pio of Pietrelcina**

**7:00 pm (Polish/English) +Mary Borutski**

(Stanley & Linda Borutski)

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**Thursday, September 24—No Mass**

—Bl. Emilie Tavernier-Gamelin & St. Pacific of San Severino

**10:30 am Mass in Round Lake**

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**Friday, September 25—St. Finbar, Sts. Cosmas & Damian**

**6:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**7:00 pm +Peter Murack (Patrick & Elizabeth Etmanski)**

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**Saturday, September 26—Canadian Martyrs**

**5:00 pm Hannah Sullivan (living) (Sullivan Family)**

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### **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Sunday, September 27—St. Vincent de Paul**

**11:00 am (Polish/English) For all of our parishioners**

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**Monday, September 28—St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence**

*Ruiz & Comp.*

**10:00 am (Polish) +Ambrose Recoskie**

(Ken & Phyllis Hudder)

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**Tuesday, September 29—No Mass**

*-Sts. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael*

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**Wednesday, September 30—St. Jerome**

**7:00 pm (Polish/English)**

**+Aldon Kosinski (Daughters-Carla, Ann, Dorothy)**

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**Thursday, October 1—No Mass -St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

**10:30 am Mass in Round Lake**

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**Friday, October 2 –Guardian Angels**

**6:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**7:00 pm God's blessing for Bernie, Mark, Josee, Cody**

**& all the grandchildren (Bernie)**

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**Saturday, October 3—St. Gerard of Brogne**

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

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**Sunday, October 4—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**11:00 am (Polish/English) - 40 Martyrs of England & Wales**

**+Za zmarłych Romana, Wiesławe i Dariusza**

**Kot (Bogusław)**

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Parishioners are invited to join us for **Adoration on Friday** beginning at **6:00 pm**.

**Confessions** will be available in church **parking lot** this **Sat, Sept 19th from 1:00-2:00 pm**.

**Thank you to Raphael Smaglinski** for repairing the rectory stairs.

**Visitation of the sick** will resume on **Fri, Oct 2nd**. If you wish to be added to the list, contact the office (613-756-2344).

We welcome **Abigail Audrey Gibson**, daughter of Brady Gibson & Melissa Kutchkoski and **Zofia Kozdrak**, daughter of Jacek & Natalia Kozdrak, who received the sacrament of Baptism and are entering the community of church. God Bless!

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The Knights of Columbus will again be selling **frozen berries** this fall. The pricing and order forms will be available in the **next parish bulletin**.

**Life Chain 2020**, a peaceful, prayerful demonstration for Life will be held on **Sun, Oct 4th from 2-3 pm** in downtown **Barry's Bay and Round Lake Centre**. Come join us.

**Marriage Preparation Course** are being offered on Oct 3rd and Oct 17th, 2020 at St. James the Less, Eganville; Feb 27th and Mar 6th, 2021 at St. Francis Xavier, Renfrew and Apr 17th and May 1st at Our Lady of Lourdes, Pembroke. Please register online <https://pembrokedioocese.com/>

Recently, we have received from our new bishop, some further clarification regarding the implementations of safety protocols in our churches during the COVID-19. His Excellency says: "Obviously, **wearing a mask is essential when entering and leaving**. Once you arrive at your place with physical distancing, you can lower your mask to breathe more easily". His Excellency also reminds us that "out of charity for others, **people are required to receive Communion in the hand** during this pandemic period. In the rare and exceptional cases where receiving Communion in the hand poses a serious problem of conscience, you may **accommodate people by giving on the tongue, but only after everyone else has received Communion in the hand**". Always keep the right **social distancing of 6 feet from any person that does not belong to our household, sanitize hands upon entry** and regularly whenever possible. Health authorities now strongly recommend to keep a **record of attendance** for services offered in places of worship. The objective is to facilitate the tracing of a contagious person's contacts by the staff of the health offices. Once again I'd like to encourage you to follow the safety protocol that is in place during this pandemic period. Stay safe yourself and let the others feel safe as well.

### ***In your prayers remember:***



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