

REFLECTION FOR THE DAY

Today's Gospel parable of the weeds and the seeds tells us of God's patience. It warns us not to be less patient than God. Jesus says to let the weeds and wheat grow side by side until the harvest day. Yes, that means that good and evil will continue to exist side by side in our world. The kingdom of God that Jesus proclaims today reflects God's patient desire that we repent and turn to him so we may be saved.

In other words, God never gives up on us. He is ever-willing to forgive and is always seeking to draw us back to himself. It reminds us also that just as God freely and generously loves and forgives us, so we must be patient, gentle and loving to those we encounter throughout our daily lives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays at 6:00 pm. Please join us.

Our **deepest sympathy** to family and friends of **Jan Shalla** and **Julia Lorbetskie**. May their souls rest in peace.

With the rise of the cost of food, lack of volunteers and the threat of a covid outbreak which would shut down the supper, there will be **no** Chicken Supper. A **Chicken Supper envelope** is in your boxed set of envelopes, and **we ask that you still contribute to help offset parish costs.**

Visitation of the sick will be on **Fri, Aug 4th**. If you wish to be added to the list, please call the parish office.

Fr. R. Majek will be on vacation from July 24th—30th and August 9th—September 11th. In his absence, we welcome Fr. J. Cydzik, OMI for July and Fr. J. Wadolowski, OMI for August/September. Welcome Fr. Jacek and Fr. Jan.

Wilno Heritage Society presents *Celebrating Polish Hymns* on **Sun, Aug 13th following the 11:00 am Mass**. We invite all who know these traditional hymns, so loved by our Polish & Kashubian ancestors, to join us. Everyone is welcome to come and listen. A social hour will follow in the parish hall. Please see poster at the back of the church for more information.

Spiritual Enrolment—There are Oblate cards with prayers at the tomb of St. John Paul II in Rome, available at the back of the church. This card presents a wonderful opportunity to offer a priceless gift to someone in various occasions (birthdays, jubilees, anniversaries), that we celebrate in life.

There are only **100 tickets printed** for a \$1,000 Raffle prize and each ticket sells for **\$20.00**. The 3rd draw will be held on **Sun, Aug 6, 2023** at noon. Please contact Basil Borutski, Lorraine Coulter, Marilyn Glofcheskie, Krystna Kearney or Andrew Shulist, if you wish to purchase a ticket.

Prayer for the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2023—July 23rd

Virgin Mary, Mother of faith and hope, an example for this humanity bent by indifference, make me as willing as You to accept the will of God, to magnify and praise His Mercy.

Mary, Mother of fortitude, you who knows my heart, do not allow me to become discouraged.
I confidently surrender my life into your hands. Heal my wounds. May your tenderness accompany me on the way.

Your presence, Mother of love, brings us to experience the joy of seeing our families united. Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God to the grandchildren and youth so that, in addition to praying for them, we can pray with them.

Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me: sustain my weakness; breathe into my heart the consolation that I may leave traces of faith among the young, bearing witness to the beauty of life,
knowing that life has a limit and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace. Amen.

We expect that a good number of parishioners will continue to wear masks, especially as attendance increases at our Masses. We encourage anyone who wishes to wear a mask to do so as their comfort is very important to all of us. Please self-monitor for any signs of illness, and to continue to avoid circumstances where you could transmit COVID-19 to others. **Masses will still be transmitted through the radio station 88.3 FM.**

SCHEDULE OF MASSES- Sun, July 23rd to Sun, Aug 6th

Sunday, July 23—16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—*St. Bridget of Sweden*
11:00 am (Polish/English) For all of our parishioners

Monday, July 24—*St. Olga, St. Anthony of the Caves, St. Sharbel Makhluf*
10:00 am (Polish) +Tadeusz Swierzbinski (Wife/Zona)

Tuesday, July 25—No Mass—*St. James, Sts. Philip Evans & John Lloyd*

Wednesday, July 26—*Sts. Anne & Joachim-Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
7:00 pm (Polish / English) +Souls of dearly departed friends (Elizabeth Lacolomite)
+Ambrose Blank (Blank Family)

Thursday, July 27—No Mass—*St. Celestine I*

Friday, July 28—*Sts. Nazarius & Celsus, St. Vladimir the Great*
6:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 pm +Lucy & Edward Kuiack (Anna Mary & Gerald Cybulskie & Barbara & Ken Recoskie)
+David Afelskie (Anna Mary Cybulskie & Barbara Recoskie)

Saturday, July 29—*St. Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Disciples of the Lord*
5:00 pm For all of our parishioners

Sunday, July 30—17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—*St. Peter Chrysologus*
11:00 am (Polish/English) +Aldon Kosinski & Michael Dowbenka (Kosinski Family)

Monday, July 31—*St. Ignatius of Loyola*
10:00 am (Polish) +Shaun Lapenskie (Dennis & Anna May Yeretch)

Tuesday, August 1—No Mass—*St. Alphonsus Liguori*

Wednesday, August 2—*St. Peter Julian Eymard, St. Eusebius of Vercelli*
7:00 pm (Polish / English) +Alphonse Kuiack (Hedwig Kuiack)
+ Alfie Prince (Anniv) (Bernadette Prince)

Thursday, August 3—No Mass—*St. Lydia, St. Germanus*

Friday, August 4—FIRST FRIDAY—*St. Jean-Marie Vianney*
6:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 pm +Witold Sokolski (Sokolski Family)
+Dianne Pecarski (Michael & Joan Coulas)

Saturday, August 5—*Bl. Frederic Janssoone, Dedication of St. Mary Major*
5:00 pm +Anthony Yaraskavitch (Anniv) (Doreen Yaraskavitch)

Sunday, August 6—The Transfiguration of the Lord
11:00 am (Polish/English) For all of our parishioners

DIOCESAN NEWS

Holy Father, Pope Francis has named the Most Reverend Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R. as the 7th Archbishop of Moncton, New Brunswick. Archbishop-designate Desrochers succeeds Archbishop Valéry Vienneau. A date of installation in the Archdiocese of Moncton will be forthcoming. Following the canonical installation in Moncton the College of Consultors will be convoked to elect a diocesan administrator awaiting the appointment of the 10th Bishop of Pembroke. Let us pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for the Diocese of Pembroke at this time.



The **3rd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**, is to be celebrated **Sun, July 23, 2023**. Pope Francis instituted the *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly* on Jan 31st, 2021 to highlight the importance of providing adequate pastoral and spiritual attention to the elderly and to call upon communities to manifest the closeness of the Church to them. It is to be celebrated annually on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. All of the Dicastery resources are available at the following link:

<http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/eventi/2023/iii-giornata-mondiale-dei-nonni-e-degli-anziani.html>

Interested singers or instrumentalists are invited to join in the **rehearsals** for the upcoming 2023 Cormac Pilgrimage at **St James Parish Hall in Eganville, on Mon, July 24th at 6:30 pm.**

Walk The Opeongo Line, July 27-30, 2023—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: **Pilgrimage to St. Ann's Shrine – 2023 Pilgrimage (walktheopeongoline.org)**

83rd Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann, Cormac on Sun, July 30th with mass at **11:00 am** celebrated by Bishop Guy Desrochers. **Please bring your own seating.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 1:30 pm. We will be blessing those who wish, with St. Ann's Oil following Mass. Food and refreshments will be available. The three day triduum preceding the pilgrimage is led by Fr. R. Oullette—Thurs, July 27th at 7pm; Fri, July 28 at 7 pm and Sat, July 29 at 7 pm. Poster located at back of church.

Marriage Preparation Programs

Online registration is available at <https://pembrokediocese.com/young-adult/marriage-and-family/>. Registration Fee is **\$100.00/couple.** E-Transfer is now available via donnabiggs@pembrokediocese.com or a cheque can be mailed to: Diocese of Pembroke – FLYMO – P.O Box 7, Renfrew St. Pembroke, ON K8A 6X1 along with this form filled out. Questions? Contact Yvette Bourque at (613) 585-6301 or yvettebourque@pembrokediocese.com. **Forms available at back of church.** First course date is as follows:

Fall: St. James the Less Parish, Eganville on Sat, Oct 14, 2023 from 9:00-4:00 pm and second Sat, Oct 28th, 2023 from 9:00-4:00 pm. Deadline to register is Oct 5th.

In your prayers remember:



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

PARISH COLLECTIONS

Please use stmaryswilno@gmail.com when you are making an e-transfer from your bank account. It will be directly deposited and the church will be notified. There is a section to make a note, **please indicate if donation is regular Sunday collection, building fund or In Memory Of (with name).** Also, if you are **not** a parishioner, please provide mailing address there. All donations will be recorded as usual, designated as per request, and will appear on the year end tax receipt.

We have envelopes with *In Memory Pamphlet* available for pick up at the funeral home or back of the church for **St. Mary's Building and Renovation Fund, St. Mary's and St. Stanislaus Koska cemeteries or Mass Offering.** Thank you for your continued support.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS	
Sat, July 22—5:00 pm	Rita Coulas
Sun, July 23—11:00 am	Catherine Bloskie / Andrzej Wielgosz
<i>Altar Guild: Mon, July 24 to Sun, Aug 6</i>	<i>Lillian Shulist & Helpers</i>
Sat, July 29—5:00 pm	Steve Platt
Sun, July 30—11:00 am	Len Gignac / Kasia Bartosz
Sat, Aug 5—5:00 pm	Edwin Echavarry
Sun, Aug 6—11:00 am	<i>Catherine Bloskie / Andrzej Suska</i>
<i>Altar Guild: Mon, Aug 7 to Sun, Aug 20</i>	<i>Virginia Platt & Helpers</i>
Sat. Aug 12—5:00 pm	Ana & Tobias Sullivan
Sun, Aug 13—11:00 am	Len Gignac / Andrzej Wielgosz

CHURCH ATTENDANCE: Sat, July 8—72	Sun, July 9—No count recorded
Sat, July 15—57	Sun, July 16—90