OUR LADY QUEEN OF POLAND CHURCH



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<u>Weekday Masses</u> (in Polish): Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday – 10:00 a.m. First Friday of the Month - 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Weekend Masses

First Saturday of the Month – 10:00 a.m. Saturday - 5:00 p.m. (English), 7:00 p.m. (Polish) Sunday (all in Polish) - 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon., Wed., Fri., - 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday – 9:00 a.m. First Friday of the Month – 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. First Saturday of the Month – 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 6:00-6:45 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday: 9:00-9:45 a.m. Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m. and 6:00-6:45 p.m. Sunday: 8:00-8:15 a.m.; 10:00-10:15 a.m.; 12:00-12:15 p.m. and 7:00-7:15 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the office for available date. Godparents must be 16 years of age and confirmed. They must submit a Sponsor Certificate from their parish priest before baptism.

Sacrament of The Sick

Please call the priest at any time.

Sacrament of Marriage

Apply one year in advance – marriage preparation classes are obligatory.



Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Office Services

Referral letters and eligibility forms can be requested only by active parish members, officially registered at the Church for a minimum of six months. Please call ahead.

Parish Registration

We are an ethnic/personal parish, which means that the members of our parish are those who are formally registered. The registration form can be obtained from Parish Office, church or on-line. Once filled, form can be thrown into the offering basket or forwarded to the office. Please inform us of any address changes.

PARISH ENVELOPES

Parishioners who wish to help the Parish financially can do so using offering envelopes. Regular users receive them once a year, usually in the month of December. New ones are asked to contact the Parish Office, fill the registration form, and check the "offering envelopes" box.

Contributions for the church are tax-deductible. Income tax return forms are distributed to Parishioners at the end of January.

Lectors and Ushers Services

If interested, contact Aggie Gomez (416-292-5707)

Masks are mandatory. A physical 2 m (6 ft) distance, will be maintained. Families from the same household may be seated together but must be 2 m from any non-household members.

Online Masses

https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/ www.dailytvmass.com www.youtube.com/dailytvmass

DECEMBER 5, 2021

First reading: *Bar 5:1-9.* Responsorial Psalm: *The Lord has done great things for us; We are filled with joy.* Second Reading: *Phil 1:4-6, 8-11.*

Gospel: Lk 3:1-6.



IN THE GOSPEL THIS SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT we hear about the proclamation of John the Baptist. John's vocation in life was to "prepare the way of the Lord, and make his paths straight." He played the vital role of closing out the line of prophets that all pointed to Jesus. We are called in a similar way to imitate John the Baptist and point others to Christ.

However, all evangelization must be done in truth and charity. St. Thomas Aquinas says, "To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them." This is the crucial image we must keep in mind as we strive to spread the faith. Evangelization requires work. We must lovingly and patiently meet others where they are and slowly walk with them as they discover the mysteries and beauties of the Church. Perhaps one action we can try is to invite someone to Mass with us next week. Let us strive to use this season of Advent to grow in our spirit of evangelization.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

On December 8, the Church celebrates the feast of Immaculate conception, the doctrine defined by Pope Pius IX on December 8, 1854 which states that "The Most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first instant of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, preserved exempt from all stain of original sin". On that day, there will be 3 Masses celebrated in our church: at 6am., 10am. and 7pm.

HOUR OF GRACE - DECEMBER 8, 12-1PM

During the period of November 24, 1946 to December 8, 1947, the Blessed Mother appeared to Sister Pierina in a little church in Montichiari, Italy, eleven times. On the first appearance the Blessed mother told S. Pierina She wanted to be known as the "Mystical Rose," and that an hour of grace should be kept at noon, December 8th, in all the Catholic Churches of the world.

We invite you to our church for an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on that day.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Just a friendly reminder, that we are practicing again the gift procession. Therefore, we ask the family who ordered the Mass intention, to bring the gifts to the altar. Gifts will be displayed next to the baptismal font.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRISTMAS MASS REGISTRATION

Next weekend, December 11/12, you will be able to register for Christmas Masses that will be celebrated at our church on: December 24 – 10pm. (English/Polish) and 12am. (Polish) December 25 - 8:30am., 10:30am. and 12:30pm.

To register, please include on the weekly offering envelope: your name, preferred time and the number of people attending. Families which are not using envelopes will be able to sign up at the sacristy. There will be no Holy Mass on Saturday, December 25 at 5pm.

POLISH CHRISTMAS CARDS AND CHRISTMAS WAFERS are distributed by the Knights of Columbus.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation – this most powerful encounter with divine mercy – is essential." - Thomas Cardinal Collins. You can receive the sacrament of reconciliation every day in our church. Please check the bulletin cover for confession times.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR YEAR 2022

All envelope boxes are ready for pick up now. Please note, that this year you will have a new number. So, the usual plea: use the 2021 envelopes to the end of this year, and as of January 1, 2022 start using the new ones. Families, who currently do not use envelopes, but wish to get a set are asked to contact our office. All offerings are tax deductible. Thank you for your ongoing care and support.

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

We are accepting donations of non-perishable food items until Sunday, December 12th. Families wishing to receive Christmas help are asked to contact our parish office (416-332-0724).

BEREAVEMENT DAY OF HEALING SATURDAY, December 11 – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre 1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga. Are you grieving a loss? Come and let God's healing love minister to you. Cost: \$40 (includes coffee, muffins upon arrival and a full hot lunch. Call Anne Hales at 905-278-5229 to register.

THE MEANING OF ADVENT WREATH

The Advent wreath is one of the most known symbols of Advent. It was brought here from Germany. The evergreen circle represents eternal life, and green branches are symbols of hope.

lit Advent candles symbolize Christ being the light of the World coming through the darkness. Purple candles mean waiting, the pink one - rejoicing, since the Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday

IF YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER PLEASE KEEP US UP TO DATE