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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Thursday 9:00 -11:30 am  
Friday 8:30-11:30 (or by appointment)

#### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5 pm English  
Sunday 11am English 12:30pm Polish

#### HOLY MASS REQUESTS

Please use envelopes provided at the back of the church and place in collection basket or give to the priest.

#### BAPTISMS

Please give 2 weeks notice if possible

#### RECONCILIATION

Twenty minutes before Mass.

#### MARRIAGE

Couples are required to register for a marriage course and to make arrangements with the parish one year prior to the date of marriage.

#### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If new to our parish community, you are most welcome to join our congregation. Pick up a registration form at the back of the church and submit it in the collection plate or to our pastor. Christian burials are reserved to parishioners, former parishioners & their spouses. All are expected to support the parish by sharing time, talent and treasure.

#### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please notify the priest if any member of your family is hospitalized or ill at home. Holy Communion visits are made on the 1st Friday of the month. Emergency calls for the Anointing of the Sick made anytime upon request. Please remember our parish and cemeteries in your bequests.

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Donations for maintaining our Cemeteries are most welcome. Tax deductible receipts will be issued.

#### PARISH COMMITTEES

##### *Finance Committee:*

Chairperson-Marilyn Shulist; Andrew Shulist

*Cemetery Committee:* Julie Ann Yaskolskie, Christine Recoskie, Dave Burchat, Lawrence Coulas, Richard Shulist, Ed Chippior

*Altar Guild:* Virginia Platt and Helpers, Lillian Shulist and Helpers

#### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

*Rosary Society:* President-Lorraine Coulter; Treasurer-Margaret Brotton; Secretary-Marilyn Shulist; Membership-Marlene Shulist

*Knights of Columbus:* Grand Knight-Richard Brotton 613-717-2841; Deputy Grand Knight-Delmar Recoskie

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#### RADIO BROADCAST

All Masses are broadcast within the local area on the FM band at 88.3 MHz

**28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—OCTOBER (PAŹDZIERNIK) 11, 2026**

**WEEK #41-42**

"Life is changed, not ended" are the words that resound clearly during the Church's funeral liturgy. As the colours of the leaves change, and the days grow shorter and colder, we think about our life, and its passing character. Life passes quickly, and it seems to speed up, the older we become. The Catechism puts it well: "Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life. That aspect of death lends urgency to our lives: remembering our mortality helps us realize that we have only a limited time in which to bring our lives to fulfillment" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1007). What is this fulfillment to which we ought to strive? Acts of charity to neighbour, steadfastness in the faith that we have received through the Church, and the constant realization that every moment of ours is dependent on God - these are the means by which we bring our lives to fulfillment. The Catechism also states: "Death is the end of man's earthly pilgrimage, of the time of grace and mercy which God offers him so as to work out his earthly life in keeping with the divine plan, and to decide his ultimate destiny. When 'the single course of our earthly life' is completed, we shall not return to other earthly lives: 'It is appointed for men to die once.' There is no 'reincarnation' after death" (Catechism, 1013). As we gather for Thanksgiving, let us also give thanks and praise to God, the author of all life, and the One who keeps us in existence through His grace and mercy.

- Rev. P. Ratajczak, OMI

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to join us for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:30 pm on Fridays. Please note that weekday masses are at 6:30 pm.**

We extend our **sincere condolences** to family and friends of **Basil Borutski, husband of Ruby.** May his soul rest in peace.

The wood is in. We wish to **express our gratitude** to the volunteers who helped move the firewood into the furnace room so that we can be cozy this coming winter. Silas Lorbetskie, Aloysius Blank, Emmett Pecarski, Fr. Pawel Ratajczak, Adam Pawlowicz, Christopher Ciuba, Arthur Shulist, Zdzislaw Jachna, Halina and Jan Ilnicki, Teresa and Zbyszek Pelc, Richard Shulist, Dr. Hania Fedorowicz, Josh Martineau, Jerry Dobrawolski, Peter Bartosz, Martin Yakabuski, Clarence Stamplecoskie, Mike Mikolajczak, Chris Biernat, Steve and John Walewicz, James Gallacher and Ed Chippior. If we missed your name, God knows who you are. A special thanks to Mike Murack and Peter Belzer for bringing their heavy equipment to assist in the transfer of the wood.

**Thanksgiving Day—October 12th**—It is fitting for God's people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Christ (see Eph 1.3-10). Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people.

**Cemetery Committee fall meeting Tues, Oct 20th** after the 6:30 mass.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY—Oct 18th** Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection for this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

**Irene Kuiack** was the winner of the Sept 27th Raffle Draw. **Next draw date is Sun, Nov 8th.** There are only **100 tickets** and each ticket sells for **\$20.00.** Contact Lorraine Coulter, Emmett Pecarski (replacing Basil Borutski), Marilyn Shulist, or Andrew Shulist, if you wish to purchase a ticket.

For **safety** purposes, **NO LIT CANDLES** are allowed in the **cemeteries.**

To **register** your child to receive the **Sacrament of First Reconciliation, First Communion** (7 years old) and/or **Confirmation** (11-13 years old) for 2027, please complete the appropriate registration form, located at the back of the church or email church for a form. **Registration forms are due by Dec 6th, 2026** and can be dropped off in collection basket or mail slot at rectory garage.

**Empties for Parish Initiatives**—drop off empties at the tractor shed behind the rectory. **Thank you.**

**Saturday Men's Group** every Sat from 7:-00-8:30 am in the parish hall. All men are welcome to join us for our weekly Saturday breakfast.

Thank you Lord  
for all your blessings to me and my family.  
For the strength you give me each day,  
for my friends  
and for all the people around me,  
who make life more meaningful.  
Thank you God. Amen.

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### Sunday, Oct 11—28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 am (English) For all of our  
Parishioners

12:30 pm (Polish) +Władysław i Wanda  
Kuszelewski (Edward & Mira Kuszelewski)

### Monday, Oct 12

10:00 am Special Intentions

### Tuesday, Oct 13

6:30 pm +Souls in Purgatory (Parishioner)

### Wednesday, Oct 14—St. Callistus I

6:30 pm God's blessing on Andrzej Słowik  
(Maria Słowik)

### Thursday, Oct 15—St. Teresa of Jesus

6:30 pm +William Clarke  
(Aloysius & Adele Blank)

### Friday, Oct 16—St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville

5:30 pm Adoration  
6:30 pm For the healing of Caleb Hoffman  
& for his parents Taylor & Sarah  
(Craig & Lorraine Coulter)

### Saturday, Oct 17—St. Ignatius of Antioch

5:00 pm +Agnes & August Smaglinski &  
Sylvester Prince (Susan Prince & Family)



#### In your prayers remember:



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

### Sunday, Oct 18—29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 am (English) +John & Mary  
Trebinskie & departed souls of Trebinskie  
& Dombroskie Family  
(Florence Trebinskie & Family)

12:30 pm (Polish) For all of our  
Parishioners

### Monday, Oct 19—No Mass—St. Paul of the Cross

### Tuesday, Oct 20—St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

6:30 pm +Tadeusz Słowik (Maria Słowik)

### Wednesday, Oct 21

6:30 pm +Josephine Etmanskie  
(Danny & Maureen Stamplecoskie)

### Thursday, Oct 22—St. John Paul II

6:30 pm +Shirley Green  
(Arthur & Lillian Shulist)

### Friday, Oct 23—St. John of Capistrano

5:30 pm Adoration  
6:30 pm +Brian Trebinskie  
(Chris & Kelly Cybulski)

### Saturday, Oct 24—St. Anthony Mary Claret

5:00 pm For all of our Parishioners

### Sunday, Oct 25—30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 am (English) +Patrick Kutchkoskie  
(Ephrasine Kutchkoskie & Family)

12:30 pm (Polish) +Intencja za rodziców  
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## DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The diocese are pleased to announce a new initiative from the Office for Marriage and Family Life to honour and celebrate the faithful witness of married couples in our diocese through **Certificates of Marital Blessing** for significant wedding anniversaries. Couples can apply through their local parish. Pastor completes the application form and submits it to the Office of Marriage & Family Life at the Chancery at least 5 weeks before the planned celebration.

**16<sup>th</sup> Annual Autumn Pilgrimage to St-Joseph's Oratory:** This year's pilgrimage will include a special visit after leaving the Oratory to the Shrine of St-Kateri Tekakwitha in Kahnawake, where pilgrims will have the blessed opportunity to pray at the site of her tomb **on Sun, Oct 18th, 2026**. Departures available from various locations throughout the Dioceses of Ottawa-Cornwall, Gatineau, Pembroke, and Kingston. For information or reservations, please email Mike Budge at [mikebudge2021@gmail.com](mailto:mikebudge2021@gmail.com) or call 613 224-8110. Space is limited. Please reserve as soon as possible!

The **Marriage Prep** sessions are now locked in for the year. A big thank you to all of you who generously offered to host in our effort to spread the course around the diocese. Below, you will find the finalized dates and locations. Each course runs over **two Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, and couples need to attend both days. Cost: \$150 per couple. Couples register on the web page and should do so as soon as possible as we have a cap of ten couples per course. <https://pembrokedioocese.com/young-adult/engagement/>

**Fall 2026: Petawawa - Our Lady of Sorrows**, Sat, Oct 17 and Sat, Oct 31, 2026 **Registration deadline: Thurs, Oct 15**

**Winter 2027: Round Lake - St. Casimir**, Sat, Feb 6 and Sat, Feb 20; **Spring 2027: Eganville - St. James the Less**, Sat, Apr 3 and Saturday, Apr 17, **Summer 2027: Bancroft - Our Lady of Mercy** Sat, May 8 and Sat, May 29 and **Late Summer 2027: Renfrew - St. Francis Xavier** Sat, Aug 14 and Sat, Aug 28.

## LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

|                   | Lector          | Eucharistic Minister |                   | Lector           | Eucharistic Minister |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Sat, Oct 17—5 pm  | Edwin Echavarry | Edwin Echavarry      | Sat, Oct 24—5 pm  | Mary Yantha      | Steve Platt          |
| Sun, Oct 18—11 am | Ed Chippior     | Ed Chippior          | Sun, Oct 25—11 am | Len Gignac       | Len Gignac           |
| 12:30 pm (Polish) | Andrzej Suska   |                      | 12:30 (Polish)    | Catherine Boskie |                      |

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| Altar Guild: | Oct 26—Nov 8—Virginia Platt & Helpers |
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## PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Please use [stmaryswilno@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryswilno@gmail.com) when you are making an **eTransfer** 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, In Memory Of (with name) or St. Mary's Cemeteries**. 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.

Additionally, we have envelopes with **In Memory Pamphlet** available for pick up at the funeral home, or at the 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.

