

CZYTANIA / READINGS

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Pierwsze czytanie: Syr 27,30–28,7

Psalm: Ps 103

Drugie czytanie: Rz 14,7–9

Ewangelia: Mt 18,21–35

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First Reading: Sirach 27, 30-28:7

Psalm: 103

Second Reading: Rom. 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM FOR TODAY:.. Pan jest łaskawy, pełen miłosierdzia. /
The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

*Our parish mourns the passing of very dedicated fellow parishioner **Louise Baker**. We give thanks for her life of faith and service. Louise will be greatly missed, and we extend heartfelt condolences to her family. Wieczne odpoczywanie racz Jej dać Panie, a światłość wiekuista niechaj Jej świeci. Niech odpoczywa w pokoju wiecznym. Amen*

Here is the link to Louise's obituary and a tribute film:

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/sydney-ns/louise-baker-9352132>

Wednesday Masses and Novena to Our Lady of Częstochowa are not yet being held during this early phase of re-opening.

Altar Society designated volunteers for September: Ursula Melski, Eileen Fagan-Steele

Today we will have special prayers for Feast day of our parish (which fell during the week, on Sept. 8) – the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our 107th anniversary!

PLEASE NOTE: Please see the end of the bulletin for the public health requirements related to Mass. Please note that we are using a pre-registration system, where persons attending must receive a prior call. If you have not recently been called, please contact Stephanie Black (902-578-3697). Thanks very kindly.

After-Mass protocol: We depart out the side entrance, row by row, starting with front rows and maintaining distancing. Singing of "Sto lat" for birthdays and anniversaries can happen outside with distancing, as indoor singing is not permitted at this time because of the health regulations. Many thanks.

Ogłoszenia / Announcements

Although we have proceeded with a cautious re-opening, Fr. Dennis still has **on-line Mass available**: <http://www.sainttheresasydney.com/>

A REQUEST FOR NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS: If you are registered to attend Mass this Sunday (or in the following weeks), and if you can, we would be very grateful if you could bring a non-perishable food item or personal-care items. There will be a box at the entrance. These items will help to stock our Food Cupboard outside the Polish Village Hall and also assist Loaves and Fishes.

A NOTE ABOUT MASKS: We have all been wearing masks since our church re-opened. These are now legally mandatory in church. Children under 2 are exempt as well as children between the ages of 2 and 4 when their caregiver cannot get them to wear a mask. People with a valid medical reason for not wearing a mask are also exempt. <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/staying-healthy/#masks>

NATIONAL POLISH PROGRAM, INCLUDING OUR CHURCH: We recently worked with Polish Studio in Toronto (broadcast nationally in the Polish language on CityTV Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. Atlantic time on a segment on Nova Scotia Polish Heritage Month, which includes our church. It also includes a segment of the Lieutenant Governor's video in which he pays tribute to our parish for its resilience and service to the community. The segment should be on-line as of Monday: www.youtube.com/c/PolishCreditUnion
****Please see separate bulletin attachment on the (very full) list of activities for Nova Scotia Polish Heritage Month – lectures, film screening, contests, book profiles, on-line activities, etc.***

The Kris Tynski Photographic Exhibit, hosted by the Pogoria Polish Folk Ensemble and the St. Michael's Polish Benefit Society this past week at the Polish Village Hall, was a success! The public health protocols were carefully observed, and it was an enjoyable experience. Polish costumes and textiles were also displayed. Thanks for all the hard work!



A BIG "DZIEKUJE" FOR THE SOLD-OUT POLISH TAKE-OUT DINNER

Thank you so much to the volunteers who made it happen. The distribution system was very safe, as customers were able to remain outdoors and all tickets were pre-sold.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR FOOD CUPBOARD: The Food Cupboard in front of the Polish Village Hall has been functioning well over the past three months. It is getting more demand, so if you are in the area and can place a few non-perishable items in the Food Cupboard, this would be greatly appreciated! Thanks so much!

AVAILABILITY OF POLISH VILLAGE HALL – with public health restrictions and limitations. Rentals for certain smaller activities, subject to detailed protocols (similar in some ways for those in place for the church) and a cleaning surcharge, are available. Please contact Bernie LaRusic at 902-561-6500. Thanks for your ongoing support!

WEEKDAY RADIO SPOTS ABOUT POLISH CULTURE AND LANGUAGE IN CAPE BRETON

The Coast Radio: Every weekday at **3:50 and 7:50 p.m. (FM 89.7)**. It's called the "One Minute Polish Broadcast". Learn a new Polish word, phrase, or cultural tradition. Presented by the St. Michael's Polish Benefit Society.

Would you consider sponsoring a whole week for \$100? The Coast has kindly agreed to allow us to do this as a fund-raiser (they are not charging for air time). Sponsors will be acknowledged on air (IMOs are welcome, birthday tributes, etc). Thank you!

Dziękujemy!

And, we're recruiting volunteers to go on air (pre-recorded). We'll help you get ready. No previous experience required, and you do not have to be a Polish speaker. This is a great way for us to bring forward members of our community, as well as promote and share Polish language and culture in our region.

This month for our radio segments we are making special mention of Nova Scotia

Polish Heritage Month. Our radio theme this coming week will be **Polish wartime refugees and displaced persons** and what we can learn from them. Guest will be Amanda Chalupa, who is doing an on-line lecture for us on September 24. If you would like to be part of it, please simply email tom_urbaniak@cbu.ca or call 902-563-1226.

Thank you to our radio sponsors so far, who have each sponsored a week in support of the Society: *Sister Rose Tynski, Ray Tynski, Patsy Kiley, Joe and Marilyn Gillis, Wayne Joseph, Wanda Pierrynowski IMO Teofil Pierrynowski, Dr. Paula Michalik, Fr. Dan Doucet, Marjorie Ardelli IMO Michael and Dawn Marie Ardelli, John Morykot, Ryba family IMO Walter Ryba, Steve Melnick, Stephanie Black, Michael and Ursula Melski, Jerry Pocius, Sophie and Roddie O'Toole, Jeni Jackson, Catherine and Herb Tucker, Bernie and Jancia LaRusic, Anne Marie and Jimmie Campbell, Ryba family IMO Walter Ryba, Kathleen MacKenzie, Andy Parnaby, Paul Lenarczyk, Alison Etter, Tom Urbaniak*

PEOPLE'S SCHOOL ON COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP – a collaboration between CBC Radio and the CBU Tompkins Institute. This past Tuesday, it looked at welcoming newcomers

and helping migrants with traumatic experiences to heal. It was all done through the lens of Nova Scotia Polish Heritage Month. You can listen to the episode here (part of CBC Mainstreet Cape Breton): <https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-36-mainstreet-cape-breton/clip/15796903-peoples-school-community-development-learning-refugees-displaced-people> .

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION: \$1,333.00. Many thanks for your generosity. **Bóg zapłać !**

Recent IMO (in memory of) contributions to the Building Fund: IMO Stephen Dolhun, from Shirley Dolhun; **IMO Agnes (Wroblewski) and Peter Stephenson,** from Wanda Pierrynowski; **IMO Cora Etter,** from Anna Wesolkowska:

If you are attending Mass, you will find a collection basket near the entrance and exit (since we are not passing around the basket due to the public health restrictions). Also, please free to use the mail: St. Mary's Polish Parish, 21 Wesley St., Sydney, NS, B1N 2M5. Once again, thanks very kindly!

We can also accept donations securely on-line via Canada Helps. Here is the link: www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/st-marys-polish-parish/ . When you donate on-line, you can receive an instant tax receipt.

Mary Pierrynowski would like to thank everyone for the acknowledgments and prayers on her 93rd birthday September 7! This is a photo of Mary on her birthday at the Cove Guest Home. God bless you, Mary. Sto lat!



PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR MASS, SPECIFIC TO OUR CHURCH –

Please refer to previous bulletins or go on-line to www.stmaryspolishparish.ca or call 902-563-1226.

St. Michael's Polish Benefit Society Zarzad (board) meets this evening at 7 p.m. at Polish Village Hall (physically distanced) or by telephone.
