



HOLY TRINITY R.C. POLISH CHURCH

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Mass schedule at our church: Monday to Friday 7 pm (Polish);
Saturday 8 am (English);
Sunday 9 am (English), 10:30 am & 12:30 pm (Polish).

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 26, 2025

A Humble Prayer That Opens the Heart of God

Jesus addresses this parable to those “*who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and despised others.*” The attitude of the Pharisee is one of pride and contempt toward others: “*I thank You that I am not like other people,*” that I am better than they are. It is a lack of humility - the absence of truth about oneself. The Pharisee boasts of his good deeds, but his prayer is closed within the circle of his own merits. The sinner, on the other hand, aware of his sinfulness, stands far from the altar, not daring even to lift his eyes “*toward Heaven.*” He beats his breast and prays: “*God,*

be merciful to me, a sinner!” This is the attitude of true humility - the truth about oneself: I am not better than others, perhaps even worse, but I stand before God with repentance and trust in His mercy. Jesus teaches that it was this sinner, not the Pharisee, who went home justified. This Gospel reminds us that prayer is not self-presentation, but an encounter with God who knows the human heart. Justification does not come from our merits, but from accepting God’s mercy. Let the prayer of the tax collector also become our own: “*God, be merciful to me, a sinner*” - a word that opens the gates of heaven.

Parish News

***The Month of the Rosary.** October is the Month of the Rosary. Rosary devotions will be held from Monday to Friday at 6:30 pm, on Saturday at 7:30 am, and on Sunday at 8:30 am, 10 am, and 12 pm in our church. We warmly encourage all parishioners to join in this special time of prayer dedicated to the Blessed Mother.

***Preparation for the Sacraments is led by Sr. Elzbieta: 519-567-7115, elzbietamusjk@gmail.com**

First Holy Communion – NOTICE – As part of the preparation for First Holy Communion, we invite children and their parents to Mass on November 1st at 12:30 pm.

Confirmation – Monday at 6 pm in the hall under the church. Registration closes at the end of October.

***All Saints’ Day and First Saturday, November 1.** Masses at 9 am (eng), 10:30 am (pol), and 12:30 pm (pol).

At 11:45 am, there will be a reflection on a Mystery of the Rosary and a Rosary of reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

***All Souls’ Day - Sunday, November 2.** Masses at 9 am, 10:30 am, and 12:30 pm. At 2 pm, community prayers for All Saints’ Day will be held at Heavenly Rest Cemetery, followed by the Rosary for the deceased. At 3 pm, prayers will take place in St. Francis Mausoleum, led by Bishop R. Fabbro.

***A plenary indulgence** for the deceased can be gained daily (November 1-8) by visiting a cemetery with prayers for the dead and fulfilling the usual conditions. A partial indulgence can be gained by visiting a cemetery on other days.

***November prayer for the deceased, “wypominki”,** will be read on November 2 at Heavenly Rest Cemetery after the 2 pm prayers; November 3-7 at St. Alphonsus Cemetery at 5:30 pm (communal Rosary); and November 9-30 during the Rosary and after Mass. On Sundays, only during the Rosary.

***Special envelopes** for prayer for the deceased, “wypominki”, (All Souls’ Day) are included in the box of envelopes. They can be placed in the collection basket during Sunday’s collection. Additional envelopes are at the back of the church.

***Attendance counting at Masses** will take place for the next four Sundays in all parishes of the Diocese of London.

***Donations to the parish Thanksgiving Appeal** are intended to help cover the costs of cooling the church in summer and heating in winter. Thanksgiving Appeal envelopes are included in the envelope set and available at the main entrance. God bless you.

***Donations October 19:** W-D \$3,675; B-F \$24,040 (\$24,000 Polonia Centre), WMD \$1,395, Thanksgiving \$245; Donation



“ But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, ‘ O God, be merciful to me a sinner.’ ”
Lk 19:13

from Polonia Centre for the Sisters \$10,000 and for the Polish School \$5,000. **Thank you!**

Acknowledgment

We sincerely thank the Board of Polonia Centre for the generous donation and kind support of the activities of Holy Trinity Parish, the Polish School at the Parish, and the Ursuline Sisters.

Other Announcements

***All Saints’ Ball and Holy Mass.** We warmly invite all children to the All-Saints’ Ball, which will take place on Friday, October 31st, from 5 pm to 8:30 pm in the hall under the church. It will be a time of joy and fun. We encourage children to come dressed as their chosen saints or angels. After the ball, at 7 pm, there will be a Holy Mass, during which we will give thanks to God together for our holy intercessors.

*** Candies for the All-Saints’ Ball.** We invite you to donate candies for the children participating in the All-Saints’ Ball. A special container for donations is placed at the back of the church. On behalf of the organizers and the children, we sincerely thank you for every act of kindness and support.

***Tickets on Sale - Jubilee Banquet.** We are starting the sale of tickets for the **Jubilee Banquet celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Polish School at Holy Trinity Parish and the 60th anniversary of the Ursuline Sisters’ presence in Canada.** The banquet will take place on Saturday, November 22 at 4:30 pm at the Caboto Club, preceded by a solemn Mass at 3 pm. Tickets are \$120 for adults, \$80 for children and youth (ages 5–17) as well as for former students (up to 25 years old) and can be purchased after Mass or from Mariusz Zalewski 519-992-1207 and Sr. Teresa Sroka 519-990-3628, and at the Ursuline Sisters’ convent 519-256-7115. We warmly invite all parishioners, parents, alumni, and friends of the school!



Weekly schedule

- *Praying the Rosary** before every Mass.
- *Sacrament of Reconciliation** at our parish: 30 minutes before Holy Mass.
- *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary** (prayer for peace) Mon. to Fri. from 6 pm.
- *Mothers Prayers.** Tuesdays at 6 pm in the church.
- *Permanent Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help** every Wednesday after Mass at 7 pm.
- *Men's Rosary.** Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the church
- *Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** every Friday after the 7:00 PM Mass.

For children

- *Sunday catechesis** during Masses at 9 am and 12:30 pm.
- *Preparation for Holy Communion** on Saturdays at 12:30 pm in church. Instead of the meeting on **November 1st**, there will be a Holy Mass.
- *Children’s Choir** A meeting for children who wish to praise God through singing will be held in the church basement every Sunday at 11:50 am.

Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Souls in Purgatory

*Eternal Father,
I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ,
in union with all the Masses said throughout the world today,
for the souls suffering in Purgatory,
for the dying,
for sinners everywhere,
for sinners in the universal Church,
for sinners in my family,
and also in my household. Amen.*