

3rd Sunday of Lent



Lenten Lamentations

Come grow with us in prayer and reflect on Christ's passion during Lenten Lamentations each Sunday of Lent at 6 p.m. (in Polish)

Stations of the Cross

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in English
Fridays at 6:30 p.m. in Polish
Join us through the Parish TV.

Stations of the Cross for Youth

Kolbe Youth have prepared a unique Way of the Cross. Each Monday and Friday, a new reflection is available on the following YouTube Channels: **Oblate Youth Canada** and **KolbeParish OMI**.

Lenten Retreat for Children

All children are invited for a special retreat that will help them learn how to be a disciple of Jesus. Videos and challenges are posted on the **KolbeParish OMI** YouTube Channel every Saturday morning. Stickers may be picked up on Sunday during Holy Communion in the Good Shepherd Catechetical Centre.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
On **Tuesday, March 11th**, immediately after the evening Mass, Kolbe Pro-Life Group invites one and all to take part in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in reparation to Lord Jesus for sins against life and its dignity. Join us virtually through our Parish TV.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion will be distributed in the Good Shepherd Catechetical Centre on **Sunday, March 7th** from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Maximum 10 people in the building, including the priest. Face masks are mandatory.

Confession

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment only. If you have access to the Internet, please go to our parish website www.kolbe.ca, click on Confession, and choose a date and specific time. If you don't have access to the Internet, you may call the parish office at (905) 848-2420 and we will book an appointment for you. Confession takes place in the Good Shepherd Catechetical Centre. Face masks are mandatory.

Rosary Prayer

Daily at 6:30 p.m.
Join us in prayer through the Parish TV.

Rosary Intention for March
Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Roman Marek Ciolek,
son of Dakota & Dawid

Emily Elzbieta Pye,
daughter of Joanna & Kevin

We welcome Emily and Roman to our Church community and congratulate their parents and Godparents.

Hospital Visits

Please note that a hospital chaplain – a Roman Catholic priest – is available 24 hours a day. To arrange a visit from a priest, please ask a nurse to call the priest on duty. Parish priests are currently not allowed to visit hospitals.

Evening Prayer

Join us daily at 9 p.m. for the evening prayer. Simply tune in through the Parish TV.

Catechesis on ZOOM

Each Saturday at 6 p.m. you're invited for an on-line catechesis (in Polish) focusing on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and other matters related to our faith. The upcoming topics will centre on the Dignity of the Human Person: Freedom, Morality, Conscience, and Sin (1700-1876). This event takes place on ZOOM and is one hour in duration.

Sunday Collection

We are very grateful to our parishioners who regularly bring their Sunday collection and support the parish in these challenging times. Sunday collection can be placed in a secure box found on the steps of the altar or by the parish office door. Donations can also be made online at www.kolbe.ca by clicking on *Donate Now* and choosing *St. Maximilian Kolbe Church* from the list of parishes.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Change of Address

If your address or telephone number has changed, please call the parish office.

Parish Website
www.kolbe.ca

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Kolbe Pro-Life Group invites all parishioners to join 40 Days for Life – a global prayer campaign to defend the lives of unborn children and those threatened by euthanasia. In our parish, this campaign takes the form of silent prayer in the Chapel of Perpetual Adoration and runs for the entire period of Lent. As space in the chapel may be limited, we encourage you to pray at home, with your family. An hour of your prayer can save someone's life – make good use of this grace-filled time.

Adoremus

Adoremus Prayer Group is hosting an evening of praise on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month, after the evening Mass. Join us for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and joyful praise. This is a virtual event – tune in through the Parish TV.

Sacrament of Marriage

Parishioners who wish to marry in the Roman Catholic Church must contact the parish office to open a wedding file and obtain a list of required documents. This must be done **one year** prior to the anticipated date of the wedding. In addition, marriage preparation course is mandatory for all couples intending to be married in the Roman Catholic Church.

Marriage and Family Counselling

Free marriage and family counselling is available at our parish. If your family needs guidance, please call (647) 677-1142 and leave your name and phone number. A qualified counsellor will call you to schedule a meeting.

Important Reminders

- Please do not use envelopes from 2020 or from previous years. If you wish to use them, you must write your name and address on the envelope.

- Offertory envelopes for 2021 are available for pick-up in the parish hall. Those who still wish to receive a set of offertory envelopes are asked to contact the parish office.

- All donations made for parish upkeep, renovations, retreats, and any Archdiocese of Toronto collections are tax deductible. This does not apply to offerings made for Mass intentions.

COVID-19 and Our Parish

Recognizing the health and safety measures announced by the Province of Ontario on November 20, 2020, Cardinal Thomas Collins directed parishes to implement the following in the Toronto and Peel regions:

- All public Masses are temporarily cancelled. All Masses are celebrated privately by the parish priests and the faithful are encouraged to take part in Mass through the parish TV.

- Parishes throughout the region of Peel must restrict attendance inside the church building to 10 people. Our church is open for private prayer and the hours are posted on the church door. As you enter the church foyer, you'll notice a binder with a large number indicating the number of people presently in the church. If the number is less than 10, turn the page and go in. If the number is already at 10, please wait for someone to leave the church. As you leave the church, turn the page back. This way we'll be able to keep track of the number of individuals inside the church building. Thank you for your cooperation.

- Weddings and funerals are restricted to 10 persons, including those who are involved in ministry. Baptisms take place outside of Mass and are also restricted to 10 persons.

- No meetings should take place in parish halls or other church spaces at this time. The only exception would be those deemed as essential services.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for adult volunteers to help out when public Masses resume in our church. So far, of the 30,000 registered parishioners, only 8 signed up to volunteer. Please call the parish office if you are interested in giving of your time and talent.



MONDAY, March 8th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Anna & Wojciech Plewa – grand-daughter with family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia & Eugeniusz Kozak – son with family
✠ Maria & Kazimierz – sister Zofia

TUESDAY, March 9th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Helena Zalewska
18³⁰ **Stations of the Cross**
19⁰⁰ ✠ Parents Mieczyslaw & Wiktoria Durbacz, Jan & Jozefa Bialczyk, and members of their families
✠ Stanislaw Wojna and members of the Wojna family – brother with family

WEDNESDAY, March 10th

8⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for son on his birthday – parents
✠ Piotr Haluszczak (2nd anniv.) – brother with family
19⁰⁰ Group Intentions

THURSDAY, March 11th

8⁰⁰ ○ For guidance in choosing the right life path for Dominika – mother
19⁰⁰ ○ For God's continued blessing and gifts of the Holy Spirit for Victoria and Dawid – parents
✠ Ryszard Ciucma, Marian Jarzabek, and members of the Krolikowski and Kasprzyk families

FRIDAY, March 12th

8⁰⁰ ○ For God's grace for Janusz on his birthday – wife and children
18³⁰ **Stations of the Cross**
19⁰⁰ ✠ Jakub Glowinski (2nd anniv.) – family
✠ Fryderyk Wisniowski – wife with family

SATURDAY, March 13th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Helena & Jan Kowalewski – grand-daughter
✠ Maria Lesniewska
17⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing, gifts of the Holy Spirit, and health for Lillian Balasa on her 10th birthday – parents and grandparents
19⁰⁰ ✠ Lena Konarkowski (22th anniv.) – niece with family

SUNDAY, March 14th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Members of the Grodzki and Klewinowski families
9³⁰ ○ For God's blessing and health for the Lapinski family – mother
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing and health for mother Jadwiga, daughter Weronika (15th birthday), sister Danuta (birthday), and Marcin and Daniel
14³⁰ ✠ Malgorzata Kowalewska (2nd anniv.) – husband and children
18⁰⁰ **Lenten Lamentations**
19⁰⁰ ✠ Dariusz Szklarczuk (1st anniv.)