

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



FR. PASTOR'S REFLECTION

This year, due to the pandemic, there will be no Corpus Christi procession. Traditionally, on this day, Jesus Christ would make His way through the streets of our parish. We are also pilgrims who journey through life. We set goals for ourselves and make our way towards them day by day, experiencing joy and sorrow. We go to work, run errands, we laugh and cry, work and rest. It's all part of our lives. However, we are not alone in our journey. Christ is with us. He wants to remind us of this fact today, on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Even at these difficult times, when our churches have been closed for so long by the order of the Ontario Government, He is with us. And even though we may feel overwhelmed and discouraged by the present situation, we must trust the Lord and know that He is with us always.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8.2-3, 14-16

Responsorial Psalm:

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 10.16-17

Gospel: John 6.51-59

Rosary Intention for June 2020

We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Group Intentions

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Intentions can be submitted by phone during regular office hours. Mass offering can be placed in the offertory box found inside the entrance to the parish office.

Parish Bulletin

Please note that we have to cease the distribution of all pamphlets, including the bulletin.

Beginning next week, our parish bulletin will only be available online on our website: www.kolbe.ca

Church Opening Protocol

– Please Read Carefully –

We have all heard the wonderful news that the Ontario government has allowed for the opening of churches and places of worship. What does this mean for us ordinary believers? Well, this permission is subject to many conditions that must be met and adhered to. The most important is social distance, i.e. a space of two meters from one another on all four sides. This regulation significantly limits the number of people who can enter the church.

This coming Sunday, June 14th, Mass in all churches will still be livestreamed online. In our parish, Masses will be celebrated at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. in English, 11 a.m., and 1 p.m. At 2 p.m. the church will be opened for the first time in 3 months and there will be an opportunity for private adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church until 9 p.m. Unfortunately, there will be no Corpus Christi procession this year, although one symbolic altar will be set up next to the entrance by the parking lot.

On **Monday, June 15th** and **Tuesday, June 16th** the church will be open for private prayer from 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. In order to meet the requirements of the Ministry of Health, only a limited number of people will be allowed to enter the church.

The **Chapel of Perpetual Adoration** will open on Sunday, June 14th at 7 o'clock in the morning. 24-hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and regular adoration schedule will resume at this time. Maximum 6 people can be present in the chapel.

Beginning **Wednesday, June 17th**, churches will be open and the faithful can begin to participate in Mass. As always, social distance must be observed. **Inside the church, only seats marked with yellow tape may be occupied.** Please note that occupancy of the church building is significantly reduced. The maximum capacity is as follows: main church – 90; choir loft – 65; hallway – 35; parish hall – 110.

During the pandemic, in all churches in Ontario and in Canada, **Holy Communion** can only be received on the hand. There are absolutely no exceptions in this respect. Also, there will be no music in the church for the next few weeks. The organist will play, but there must be no singing. Parish bulletins will also not be printed; they will only be available online.

Next week, we resume our regular Mass schedule. Please note that only the entrance beside the Oblate cross will be open. Volunteers will keep count of the faithful as they come in and direct them to their seats. The parish hall will also be transformed into a church, Mass will be broadcast directly from the church upstairs, and Fathers will come down to distribute Holy Communion. Others may participate in Mass by staying in their cars in the parking lot. It is strongly recommended that all faithful wear protective masks in the church at all times. Only one altar server (or two siblings), one lector, and Eucharistic Ministers may serve at Mass.

For the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, a distance of 2 meters is also required. Unfortunately, our confessionals do not meet these requirements. Therefore, beginning Wednesday, June 17th, confession will be available from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the new Catechetical Centre in Sr. Faustina Room, St. Eugene Room, and Br. Anthony Room. As soon as all restrictions are lifted, we will organize confession with the presence of many priests. Face masks are mandatory during confession. Please be patient to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

Funerals and weddings may take place in the church in the presence of 10 people. **Baptisms** are to take place outside of Mass.

Families who wish to have their child receive **First Holy Communion** on a weekday at the 7 p.m. Mass are asked to call the parish office next week and sign up for a particular date. We have been given permission from Cardinal Collins for individual First Communion on weekdays.

We would like to remind you that during the pandemic, we have been granted **dispensation** from physical participation in Mass in the church. However, we are still obliged to participate in it through the media. If you feel sick or weak, if you have a fever or cough you should not come to church at this time. It is understandable that not everyone will be able to come to church right away because of the limited space.

Brothers and sisters, our personal and spiritual lives are slowly returning to normal. We still have to get through the next few months, which is why I am asking you for patience, understanding, mutual respect, and compliance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health. We have received a clear warning that churches that do not adhere to the above-mentioned requirements will be closed again. Together, we can get through this difficult time.

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Sebastian Krzysztof Ewertowski,
son of Marzena & Krzysztof

Emilia Maria Eugenia Ortega,
daughter of Paulina & Rouel

We welcome both children
to our Church community and
congratulate their parents and Godparents.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for

Danielle Hayes,
daughter of Melody and Bernard
& **Alexander Nowierski,**
son of Jolanta and Andrzej

who are preparing for Holy Matrimony.

The Sacrament of Holy Orders

Mr. Pawel Jan Stankiewicz is scheduled to be ordained to the Priesthood on Saturday, August 15, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, Ontario. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your Parish Priest.

Let us all pray the **Mr. Pawel Jan Stankiewicz** will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

New Church Camera

We have recently installed a new HD camera in our church, which transmits an excellent, clear image for watching live Mass broadcasts and makes it easier to read the lyrics on the screen. The initial technical difficulties have been resolved, although parishioners using older computers may need to check for and run updates on their devices.

Renovations

With the church building being closed, we used this opportunity to renovate the stairs leading to the church. The old carpet and the tiles underneath it were removed. New ceramic tiles were laid, and the sides were painted. The stairs look very nice now and we would like to sincerely thank **Andrzej Maziarz** for his impressive work. At the same time all parish offices were painted and renovated. Thank you **Romuald Drózdź** for your professional help.

Resources for Children

Please visit our Parish YouTube Channel for homilies for children in Polish and children's liturgy in English. Go to kolbe.ca → YouTube Channel → Playlists → Kazania dla Dzieci / Children's Liturgy.

Parish Bulletin Advertisements

If you are interested in advertising your business in our parish bulletin starting in October 2020, please contact the parish office to place your name on a waiting list. We will contact you as soon as space becomes available.

Thank You

We are very grateful to our parishioners who regularly bring their Sunday collection. Just over half of our parishioners feel responsible for their parish and regularly bring their Sunday collection. The parish must function despite the crisis and continue to pay expenses on regular basis. Sunday collection can be placed in a secure box found 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.
May God Bless you.**

ShareLife

**Living the Gospel
by helping at-risk youth**

Incarcerated at a youth detention centre, 18-year-old Rodrigo didn't know what his future held. Upon his release, he was referred to Covenant House, which partnered him with a Youth in Transition worker. Together they developed a plan that included regular counselling sessions and enrolling in an alternative school program. Now living back at home, Rodrigo's future is open to so many possibilities.

Please make a sacrificial gift to ShareLife through your parish or sharelife.org

**Heavenly Father, we place our trust in you,
and pray for no more harm from coronavirus
and for a quick end to the epidemic.**

**We ask you to restore health to the infected
and peace to places touched by coronavirus.
Receive those who have died of the disease,
and comfort their families.**

**Support and protect the medical personnel
fighting the virus; inspire and bless those
trying to control the situation.**

**Lord Jesus,
you are the doctor of our souls and bodies.
We feel helpless in light of the pandemic
but we place our trust in you
and ask for peace and health.**

**Mother of God, protect us and look after us,
and lead us through love
to your Son Jesus Christ.**

**St. Maximilian – pray for us!
St. Roch – pray for us!
St. Rita – pray for us!
St. John Paul II – pray for us!
St. Anthony – pray for us!**

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, June 15th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Patrick Polubiec (6th anniv.) – parents
✠ Maria Deptula (2nd anniv.) and Jan Deptula – sister with family
✠ Elzbieta Wiczorek – daughters with families
○ For God's blessing for the Jaracz family

TUESDAY, June 16th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Marianna Kania – Zofia Kowalska
○ For God's blessing for the Sousa, Chmiel, and Philchuk families – Wanda Chmiel
○ For God's blessing and health for daughter Natalia and grandson Adrian – mother and grandmother

WEDNESDAY, June 17th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Stanislaw Lipiec (2nd anniv.) – wife with children
✠ Apolonia & Jan Klin – son with family
19⁰⁰ *Group Intentions*

THURSDAY, June 18th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Roman & Boleslaw Sudol – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Iwona Wozinska (1st anniv.) – parents, husband, sons, and sister with family
✠ Edward & Leokadia Czerepak – daughter-in-law with family and children

FRIDAY, June 19th

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Iwan (1st anniv.) – daughter
19⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia & Wincenty Wisniewski, Maria & Stanislaw Zaluski, and all deceased from the Machocki family
✠ Leszek Piatkowski (12th anniv.) – wife with children
○ For God's blessing and Mother Mary's protection for Jan Prymicz on his 60th birthday – family and friends

SATURDAY, June 20th

- 8⁰⁰ ○ Special intention for God's continued blessing for the Kostka & Piekarcz families
○ In thanksgiving for Magdalena & Konrad on their 9th wedding anniversary
✠ Eugeniusz Paszkowski (anniv.)

SUNDAY, June 21st

- 8⁰⁰ ✠ Anna, Tomasz, Stanislaw, and Jan Cebula – Michal with family
9³⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for Krzysztof on his 20th birthday
11⁰⁰ ○ For parishioners and benefactors
12⁰⁰ *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Divine Mercy Chaplet*
13⁰⁰ ✠ Helena Wilk
14³⁰ ✠ All deceased members of the Cislo, Ratowski, and Kanigowski families – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Wladyslaw Ozga and his family – daughters with families

Groceries for Homebound Seniors

If you are an elderly person and can't or shouldn't leave the house, call the parish office and our parish youth will do your grocery shopping for you.