

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



God knows we can be a stubborn people, tied to entrenched habits, behaviours and opinions.

Palm Sunday launches a week that espouses a new way of doing things, untying us from old behaviours and benefits. But the Palm Sunday message of a beckoning new regime has always been met with stubborn resistance. The two apostles who were sent ahead into the village to untie a donkey colt and bring it back for Jesus to ride into Jerusalem surely must have quietly resisted the request. The apostles likely dreaded the task of untying and taking a colt that did not belong to them in the midst of protective bystanders.

After initially questioning the apostles for untying the colt, the villagers apparently accepted the apostles' explanation that the master needed it and dropped their objections. An underlying Holy Week theme for Jesus and all his followers is to eschew human single-mindedness and instead accept the will of God. The two apostles and the villagers untied themselves from natural inclinations and acquiesced to the divine plan.

As Jesus rode the colt toward Jerusalem, bystanders threw off their cloaks of unbelief and spread them on the road that led to Christ's new kingdom. We should be open to doing the same.

Frank Campbell,
Enfield, NS

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7
Responsorial Psalm:
*My God, my God,
why have you forsaken me?*
Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11
Gospel: Mark 14.1-15.47

Rosary Intention for April
We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Parish Website
www.kolbe.ca

Easter 2021

We send forth warm wishes to all our parishioners, hoping that the resurrected Lord inspires our hearts with love, joy, and added strength for everyday victories. May the Risen Lord be an endless source of hope and help find signs of His living presence in everyday life.

Please take a look at the Easter Program for all the latest information on Easter Liturgies and Masses.

Registration for Mass & Liturgies

Registration for Sunday Mass, Holy Week Liturgies, Easter Mass, and Easter Monday Mass are REQUIRED. Registration can be done directly on our website at www.kolbe.ca. Those who have absolutely no access to the Internet may call the parish office to register by phone. When leaving a message, remember to include your name and phone number.

Blessing of Easter Food

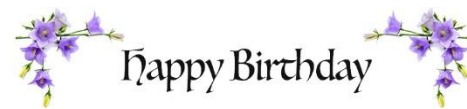
As long as the church remains open on Holy Saturday, blessing of Easter food will take place in the parish hall from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. No registration is required but expect long lineups.

Daffodils / Jonquils for the Tomb

If any parishioner would like to help us decorate the Lord's tomb, we will gladly accept **potted daffodils (jonquils)** from March 29th to 31st. Plants may be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you for your contribution.

Confession

Sacrament of reconciliation is scheduled for Monday, March 29 at 6 p.m. and Wednesday, March 31 at 6 p.m. No registration is required. **There will be not other confession during Holy Week and Easter Octave.**



Happy Birthday

Dear Father Marcin!

May God's love and peace be with you always. Thank you for all you do. :)

Church Hours

The church building is usually open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Holy Communion on Sunday

For those who were unable to secure a spot for Mass in the church but participated in Mass virtually, Holy Communion will be distributed on Sunday, **March 28th at 9:30 p.m.** in the church. Face masks are mandatory.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Due to ongoing restrictions, the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be administered in groups – each class on its own. An e-mail was sent to all parents on Wednesday, March 24th. It included information on the exact date of their child's sacrament as well as how many guests each family may invite (at least for now.) If someone has not received this information, please send and a brief message to communionkolbe@gmail.com or confirmationkolbe@gmail.com and include the name of your child and the name of your child's catechist. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Faithful Departed



The following parishioners passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

- ✠ Patryk Welna, 24
- ✠ Mateusz Glogowski, 29
- ✠ Mateusz Pawel Lubaszewski, 30
- ✠ Stanislaw Brozny, 58
- ✠ Czeslaw Raczewski, 61
- ✠ Kazimierz Debniewski, 62
- ✠ Andrzej Bielawski, 65
- ✠ Julia Czerepak, 71
- ✠ Zdzislaw Iwanczak, 81
- ✠ Zofia Wojcik, 86
- ✠ Irene Zbyszynski, 86
- ✠ Stanislaw Rzepa, 87
- ✠ Jozefa Kulminski, 99

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.

Parish Office

Parish office is closed to the public, but you may always call and leave a message. Upcoming parish office hours are as follows:
Holy Thursday: 9 a.m. – 12 noon
Good Friday: closed
Holy Saturday: closed
Easter Monday: closed

The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for

Iwona Wenderska,
daughter of Elzbieta & Franciszek
& **Cezary Mroczkowski,**
son of Danuta & Ryszard

Milena Szumowski,
daughter of Marzena & Grzegorz
& **Nicolas Macias,**
son of Maria & Juan

who are preparing for Holy Matrimony.

COVID-19 and Our Parish

- As of Monday, March 15, 2021, churches in the Region of Peel are once again open at 15% capacity (250 individuals) and faithful can participate in Mass. Face masks are still mandatory inside all church buildings.

- Please listen carefully to parish announcements regarding registration for weekday and Sunday Mass. Seniors who do not have access to the Internet may call the parish office.

- All most up-to-date information is always communicated at the end of Mass. Please listen carefully.

- Weddings and funerals are restricted to 15% of the church capacity. Baptisms take place outside of Mass and are also restricted to 15% of church capacity.

- No meetings are taking place in parish halls or other church spaces at this time. The only exception are essential services, e.g., A.A.

- First Communion and Confirmation classes continue to take place virtually and will stay in this format for as long as the Region of Peel remains in a grey zone. If anything changes we will inform all parents.

- When leaving a message on the parish answering machine, remember to include your name and phone number.

Volunteers Needed

We are still looking for adult volunteers willing to help out during Sunday Masses (Saturday evening and Sunday). Please call the parish office if you are interested in giving of your time and talent.

Food Drive

Once again, **Knights of Columbus** are organizing an annual food drive in support of those in need in our local community. Non-perishable food items can be dropped off inside the entrance to the church. The following are in high demand: rice, pasta, coffee, and all kinds of canned goods (meat, soup, vegetables, fruits). **No expired food, please!** Food drive ends on **Palm Sunday**.



In April, we will begin an annual charity appeal in the Archdiocese of Toronto known as ShareLife. Your contribution helps fund ShareLife agencies which provide services in an environment rooted in Catholic values. If you are able to contribute to this cause, you may do so at any time using special envelopes in your offertory set, or on ShareLife Sundays: April 17/18, June 19/20, and October 2/3.

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 us 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.

Change of Address

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

MONDAY	March 29th
8 ⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for Fr. Marcin Serwin OMI on his birthday ✠ Monika & Leon Ladzik ✠ Wanda Rudnicka ✠ Jozef & Helena Lejawka	
18 ⁰⁰ Lenten Confession	
TUESDAY	March 30th
8 ⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia Szot (5 th anniv.) and family members ✠ Maria, Stanislaw, Edward, Antoni, and Stanislaw Palka ✠ Franciszka & Eugeniusz Wisniowski ✠ Zofia & Franciszek Kresek	
18 ⁰⁰ Church Cleaning	
WEDNESDAY	March 31st
8 ⁰⁰ ✠ Zofia & Jerzy Dziuba ✠ Piotr Sas ✠ Kazimierz Stec and his parents ○ For God's blessing for Kazimierz and his family	
18 ⁰⁰ Lenten Confession	
HOLY THURSDAY	April 1st
18 ⁰⁰ Mass of the Lord's Supper (English) 20 ⁰⁰ Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
GOOD FRIDAY	April 2nd
8 ⁰⁰ Stations of the Cross & Novenna to the Divine Mercy 14 ⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy 16 ⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy (English) 18 ⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy 20 ⁰⁰ Good Friday Liturgy Vigil at Jesus' Tomb	
HOLY SATURDAY	April 3rd
8 ⁰⁰ Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and Novenna to the Divine Mercy 9 ⁰⁰ Vigil at the Lord's Tomb 20 ⁰⁰ Easter Vigil (Bilingual)	
EASTER SUNDAY	April 4th
6 ⁰⁰ ○ For God's blessing for Krystyna & Jan Prymicz and their children: Jakub, Agata, Joanna, Dominik, Agnieszka, and Kacper 8 ⁰⁰ ○ For members of the Rosary Society 9 ³⁰ ✠ Anna & Wladyslaw Ozga 11 ⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors 13 ⁰⁰ ✠ Monika Filipek (1 st anniv.) 14 ³⁰ ○ For God's blessing for the Kowalczyk and Kujawski families, and for Antoni on his 4 th birthday 16 ⁰⁰ ○ For all priests and staff of our parish 17 ³⁰ ✠ Lidia Streich 19 ⁰⁰ ✠ Maria Antonik (5 th anniv.)	
EASTER MONDAY	April 5th
Mass in English: 9 ³⁰ am Mass in Polish: 8 am, 11 am, 1 pm, 2 ³⁰ pm, 7 pm	