

# Divine Mercy Sunday



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On the first Sunday after Easter, the Catholic Church celebrates **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a feast day established by St. John Paul II. The cult of Divine Mercy is associated with the apparitions experienced by St. Faustina Kowalska, to whom Jesus appeared in 1935, recommending that she spread the message of God's Mercy to the whole world. On August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2002, during a pilgrimage to Poland, John Paul II entrusted the whole world to God's Mercy and blessed the Shrine in Kraków Lagiewniki.

There are millions of worshipers of God's Mercy around the world. In April 1993, John Paul II beatified Sister Faustina Kowalska and announced her feast day; she was canonized on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000. "I am love and mercy alone," said Jesus and asked Sister Faustina to spread this message to the whole world. The Lord Jesus pointed out to Sister Faustina five ways in which people can ask for salvation for themselves and the whole world: • praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet; • praying before the image of Merciful Jesus with the inscription *Jesus, I trust in You*; • praying at the hour of Christ's death on the cross, called the Hour Of Mercy (3 p.m.); • celebrating the Feast of Mercy; • spreading the worship of God's Mercy through prayer, word and action. **Today at 5:30 p.m. we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Please join us.**

## Holy Communion on Sunday

For those who were unable to secure a spot for Mass in the church but participated in it virtually, Holy Communion will be distributed on **Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.** and **5 p.m.** in the church. Face masks are mandatory.

## Confession

Sacrament of reconciliation is available:  
 ○ from Monday to Saturday at 7:30 a.m.,  
 ○ from Monday to Friday at 6 p.m.,  
 ○ 30 minutes before each Sunday Mass.  
 Confession takes place in the accessible confessional next to the elevator and in the staircase on the North side of the church building. Face masks are mandatory.

## Change of Address

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

## Registration for Mass

Registration for Sunday Mass is REQUIRED and can be done directly on our website at [www.kolbe.ca](http://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.

### The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

**Emily Rzekec,**  
daughter of Anastasiia & Arkadiusz

**Oliver Aleksander Kraska,**  
son of Alicja & Robert

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

### The Sacrament of Marriage

Please join us in praying for

**Victoria Bisnauth,**  
daughter of Maria & Dianand  
& **Alex Martynenko,**  
son of Elena & Oleg

**Kelly Lukasik,**  
daughter of Iwona & Radoslaw  
& **Aaron Recinos,**  
son of Georgina & Edgar

who are preparing for Holy Matrimony.

## Thank You

Thank you to all our wonderful parishioners who brought in daffodils (jonquils) for the Lord's tomb. We have received almost 200 potted plants. Thank you for your generous contribution.

Also, thank you to all the children who took part in the Lenten Retreat by watching videos, collecting stickers, and completing their booklets. Much thanks to Claudia Ogorek and her team for leading the retreat and for organizing the Easter Monday Scavenger Hunt. You did an amazing job!

## Latest News

Up-to-date information concerning our parish is always communicated at the end of each Sunday Mass. Please listen carefully.

## 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. Confirmation is scheduled for the week of April 19<sup>th</sup> and First Holy Communion for the second and third weekend in May. A detailed e-mail was sent to all parents at the end of March. If someone has not received this information, please send and a brief message to [communionkolbe@gmail.com](mailto:communionkolbe@gmail.com) or [confirmationkolbe@gmail.com](mailto: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.

### First Holy Communion Albs

First Communion Albs can be picked up from Brother Anthony Room (at the back of the church, beside the garages) on:  
 ○ Monday, April 12, 9 am – 12 noon  
 ○ Wednesday, April 14, 5 pm – 8 pm  
 ○ Friday, April 16, 5 pm – 8 pm

## COVID-19 and Our Parish

- Churches in the Region of Peel continue to be open at 15% capacity (250 individuals) and faithful can participate in Mass. Face masks are 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.

## ShareLife

Next weekend, 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.

## Adoremus

Adoremus Prayer Group is hosting an evening of praise on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, after the evening Mass. Join us for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and joyful praise. All are welcome.

## 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.

## 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](http://www.kolbe.ca)

## MONDAY April 12<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Zofia & Romuald Dudarew – daughter Danuta  
 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Tadeusz Szaran – wife and children ✠ Marek Krol, Olga & Kazimierz Borek, Tadeusz Borek (1<sup>st</sup> anniv.), and Bozena Kosiorek

## TUESDAY April 13<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Benedykt & Teresa Darcy  
 ✠ Krzysztof Piekarski – son  
 19<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's blessing for Sandra on her birthday – parents

## WEDNESDAY April 14<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Parents-in-law Janina & Mieczyslaw and husband Stefan  
 ✠ Daniela & Kazimierz Guminski – son with wife  
 19<sup>00</sup> Group Intentions

## THURSDAY April 15<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Jan & Agnieszka Kawalec – family  
 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Members of the Pasiak, Nowotnik, Choros, Adamczyk, and Yolanda Hamin – family  
 ✠ Eugenia & Walerian Poleszuk

## FRIDAY April 16<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's continued blessing for parents on their 31<sup>st</sup> – daughters  
 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Janina Kielbiowski, Marian Pietruszewski, and members of the Baczynski, Zmuda, and Szkocki families  
 ✠ Barbara Wawrzusiak – Lucy Dworek with family

## SATURDAY April 17<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Antonina & Boleslaw Kocemba and sister-in-law Zenobia – daughter with family  
 17<sup>00</sup> ○ For God's continued blessing for the Mis family  
 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Maria & Karol Szydelko

## SUNDAY April 18<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>00</sup> ✠ Hanna Gaca, Wacława Dabrowska, Alina Grabowska  
 9<sup>30</sup> ✠ Krystyna & Dominik Nowacki – daughter Maryla with family  
 11<sup>00</sup> ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors  
 13<sup>00</sup> ✠ Helena, Jozef, Waldemar, Wieslaw Miastkowski; Marianna & Piotr Zajkowski; decaesed family on both sides  
 14<sup>30</sup> ○ For God's blessing for the Radziwon and Sliwinski families  
 19<sup>00</sup> ✠ Kazimiera Kedzia (16<sup>th</sup> anniv.) – Krystyna & Adam

## Parish Office

Parish office is closed to the public, but you may always call and leave a message. Remember to include your name and phone number.

**First Reading:** Acts 4.32-35

**Responsorial Psalm:**

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever.*

**Second Reading:** 1 John 5.1-6

**Gospel:** John 20.19-31