



Reflection

Unbeknownst to the wedding couple, the wine runs out at their celebration. Aware of their predicament, Jesus and his mother begin to work quietly behind the scenes to remedy the situation. Jesus performs his first miracle by turning the water-filled jars into the finest wine yet to be served. What is Jesus inviting us to learn from this wonderful miracle?

Jesus' miracle begins with his interest and sensitivity in assisting the newlyweds. Rather than drawing attention to himself, Jesus' focus is on preserving the dignity and honour of this joyous occasion. He wants to show us that at the heart of being his disciple is the loving and tender care for the needs of our sisters and brothers. When his mother says to the servant, "Do whatever he tells you," she is also speaking to us. She is calling us to be more compassionate and merciful in serving and caring for the poor, the marginalized and suffering within our families, our communities and in our world.

Let us pray to be open to the presence of the Holy Spirit inviting us to use our gifts in quiet service for the common good. United in Christ's love and friendship we reach out, listening and responding with tender hearts to the cries of a broken world.

Julie Cachia
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Ordinary Time in Church

Christmas Time and Easter Time highlight the central mysteries of the Paschal Mystery, namely, the incarnation, death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Sundays and weeks of Ordinary Time, on the other hand, take us through the life of Christ. This is the time of conversion. This is living the life of Christ. Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. —USCCB

The Sacrament of Baptism

will be bestowed upon

Adam Kupla,
son of Katarzyna & Adrian

Olivia Aleksandra Piszczek,
daughter of Katarzyna & Alexander

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

Rosary intention for January

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



Marriage Preparation Course

Marriage Preparation Course for couples who were never married will take place on 7 consecutive Mondays **from February 14th to March 28th at 8 p.m.** Cost: \$100 per couple. To register, please call the parish office.

Marriage Preparation Course for couples where one or both partners were previously married is facilitated by Catholic Family Services. Contact www.cfstoronto.com to register.

– IMPORTANT –

Offertory Envelopes for 2022

Offertory envelopes for 2022 can be picked up from the parish hall. They are arranged in alphabetical order. All those whose envelope number was higher than #2030 have been assigned a new number.



We kindly ask that you write your full name and address on the first envelope in your set. This is important so as to avoid any confusion, especially since many families in 2022 have a set of envelopes with a different number. Such a correction of numbers was necessary because many parishioners did not collect their sets in 2021, while others moved out or passed away.

Please do not use envelopes from previous years.

Change of Address

If your address or phone number has changed, please call the parish office to update your file.

Intentions for Wednesday Mass

Wednesday evening Mass is celebrated in multiple intentions. These can be submitted by calling the parish office on weekdays before 5 p.m.

Chapel of Perpetual Adoration

We are in need of individuals or families who can commit to regular weekly adoration in the chapel. If you can devote one hour of your time each week, please contact the coordinator, Malgorzata, at (647) 888-7487. **Please wear a face mask while praying in the chapel!**

Bulletin Advertisements

Did you know that the advertising in our parish bulletin generates annual revenue towards our parish's financial obligations? Thank you for patronizing our advertisers. If you would like to advertise your business in the coming year, please contact the parish office.

SACRAMENTS AT OUR PARISH

BAPTISM

Parents who are registered members of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church and would like to baptize their child must contact the parish office at least 6 weeks before the anticipated date of baptism. Nowadays, baptisms take place on Saturday mornings, outside of Mass.

RECONCILIATION

Confession takes place 30 minutes before each Mass. No registration is required. Masks are mandatory in the confessional.

EUCCHARIST / FIRST COMMUNION CONFIRMATION

Registration for First Communion classes (grade 2) and Confirmation classes (grade 7) takes place at the beginning of September and classes commence in October. For more information, please listen to parish announcements, read the bulletin, or check the parish website in late August/early September.

MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to be married at St. Maximilian Kolbe Roman Catholic Church must contact the parish office at least one year prior to the anticipated date of the wedding in order to open a wedding file and obtain a list of required documents. In addition, marriage preparation course is mandatory for all couples intending to be married in the Roman Catholic Church. Please keep in mind that our priests can only marry those who are registered members of our parish and reside within the geographical boundaries of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or your loved one require a visit from a priest.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the way that a non-baptized person is brought into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Roman Catholic, please call the parish office for more information.

Our Church is Open

Our church is open for in-person celebrations. All Masses are held indoors.

- **Livestreaming** of services and dispensation from physical participation in the Sunday Eucharist continues. The elderly, those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be encouraged to exercise extreme caution about any outings, including attendance at church.

- **Local municipal by-laws remain in place – the use of face masks inside all public places is still in effect, even for those who are fully vaccinated.**

Meetings

All parish meetings have been cancelled at this time. The only exception would be those deemed as essential services, such as A.A. and AlAnon.

Office Hours

Monday: closed
Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Thursday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. – 12 noon
Sunday: closed
Lunch break: 12 noon – 1 p.m.

Calendar of Saints

Jan. 17th • Saint Anthony created one of the earliest monastic communities.

Jan. 20th • Saint Fabrian was a pope of the early Church and was martyred in 250. **Saint Sebastian** is one of the patron saints of the Swiss Guards.

Jan. 21st • Saint Agnes is a symbol of virginal innocence and is often pictured as a lamb.

Jan. 22nd • Saint Vincent was the first Spanisz martyr, killed in 304.

Parish Website
www.kolbe.ca

– MASS INTENTIONS –

MONDAY, January 17th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Wanda, Kazimierz, Romuald Kulesza – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Stanislaw Gdyczynski (3rd anniv.) – wife and children
✠ Lubomir, Jan and members of the Winiarski and Donica families

TUESDAY, January 18th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Leon Kulik and Anna & Henryk Ojdowski – family
19⁰⁰ ○ For the grace of healing for Jakub ✠ Anna Milkowska (19th anniv.) – sister with family

WEDNESDAY, January 19th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Members of the Brynczka family – son with family
✠ Anna Ozga – daughters with families
19⁰⁰ ○ Group Intentions

THURSDAY, January 20th

8⁰⁰ ✠ Apolonia & Zygmunt Trzeciakowski
19⁰⁰ ○ For God's continued blessing for Krzysztof Wozinski on his 18th birthday – Godmother
○ For God's blessing for mom Rozalia

FRIDAY, January 21st

8⁰⁰ ✠ Halina Grajek – daughter Bozena with family
19⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for good health and for God's continued blessing and Mother Mary's protection for Grazyna Prusaczyk – friend
✠ Members of the Konieczny family – Hanna

SATURDAY, January 22nd

8⁰⁰ ✠ Adam Wiecko (6th anniv.) – Terkowski family
17⁰⁰ ○ In thanksgiving for all graces received and for God's continued blessing for Lucyna & Bogdan Machocki on their 55th wedding anniversary – children
19⁰⁰ ✠ Maria & Mieczyslaw Gorecki – family

SUNDAY, January 23rd

8⁰⁰ ✠ Parents Andrzej & Wladyslawa and brother Jozef – daughter and family
9³⁰ ○ For the grace of healing for Jakub
11⁰⁰ ○ For Parishioners and Benefactors
13⁰⁰ ✠ Edward Trocki (1st anniv.) – wife Teresa with children
14³⁰ ✠ Bronislawa & Kazimierz Oblak – family
19⁰⁰ ✠ Jan Burzynski – daughter with family