

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF POLAND CHURCH



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Toronto and Peel are still under a stay-at-home order, restricting attendance to no more than 10 people inside the church at any time. All public Masses are suspended until further notice. Our church remains open for adoration and private prayers Monday through Thursday, 6p.m.-8p.m.

Attendance inside the church is limited to 10 people, including priests. Masks must be worn and 2m social distancing followed. Provide your name and phone number for contact tracing!

### All booked/requested Mass intentions

are celebrated by our Priests in the church during private Masses.

### Online Masses

can be viewed on television and the internet. Please visit:

<https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/> (celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica every day at 7:30 a.m.)

[www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com)

[www.youtube.com/dailytvmass](http://www.youtube.com/dailytvmass)

<https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Pages/parishes-mass-videos.aspx>

### Rite of Holy Communion

**Saturday: 6-7pm.**

**Sundays during Lent: 12:15pm.-1:30pm.**

### Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*


### Confessions

You can receive a sacrament of reconciliation Monday through Saturday, 6p.m.-6:45p.m.

First Friday of March: 5:30pm-6:45pm.

For any updates and useful information visit our website or: [www.archtoronto.org/](http://www.archtoronto.org/)

First reading: **2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23**  
Responsorial Psalm: **Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!**  
Second Reading: **Eph 2:4-10**  
Gospel: **Jn 3:14-21**



*Mass Intentions*

**Saturday – March 13, 2021**  
For God's blessing for Nancy KU

**Saturday – March 20, 2021**  
† Anthony BRITTO (4th death anniv.) (Mavis & Neal Britto)

**CARRYING OUR CROSSES**

In today's first reading from 2 Chronicles, we hear how God sent many people on His behalf to spread His word "but [the people] kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words, and scoffing at his prophets." Even in the Old Testament, those who sought to serve God faced hardships and retaliation. Therefore, as stewards, we should not expect everything in our ministry to be perfect or easy. Jesus says in the Gospel of Matthew that whoever wants to follow Him must take up their cross and follow. To take up the cross is to take up suffering and hardships for the sake of serving Christ. As stewards, let us not shy away from these crosses but accept them willingly. The cross will forever be the symbol of our hope and salvation. To take part in the cross of Christ by carrying our own crosses is a supreme dignity. Therefore, the next time we face a difficulty in our stewardship, let us simply pray "Lord, help me to carry this cross out of love for you."

**A CALL TO ACTION FROM CARDINAL COLLINS: END COVID-19 RESTRICTION INEQUITIES**

Last week our province has relaxed restrictions for retailers in the Grey (Lockdown) zones, permitting them to operate at 25% capacity while places of worship continue with a hard cap of 10 people. It appears that places of worship are not being treated equitably with these latest restrictions. This is why we ask you to share your concerns and to connect with your Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) as well as Premier Ford. The archdiocese has produced a simple webpage, accessible at [www.aplacetoworship.ca](http://www.aplacetoworship.ca) – visitors can very easily send a pre-written or self-edited letter to their MPP with a copy to Premier Ford.

**COMMUNION AND CONFESSIONS DURING LENT**

You can receive a Holy Communion on: Saturdays, 6-7pm. and Sundays, 12:15pm. to 1:30pm.  
Confessions: Monday to Saturday, 6-6:45pm.  
For contact tracing purposes, please provide your name and phone number on every visit at our church.

**"PARISH SOBRIETY/ABSTINENCE BOOK"**

During the season of Lent, we are encouraged to give something up. At the baptismal fountain, displayed is a special sign-up book, in which you may include your name (signed so far by 61 individuals). By doing so, you are declaring your abstinence from alcohol consumption during this Lent season and prayer for those who are afflicted by the disease of alcoholism.

**COINS FOR LIFE** is an annual fundraising campaign organized by Campaign Life Catholics. By putting aside your loose change, you are helping support the many pro-life initiatives that spread awareness and give a voice to the unborn. **Coin for Life boxes are displayed in the church's foyer. Please take one and return it at the end of Lent Season.**



**EASTER FOOD DRIVE**

We are accepting donations of non-perishable food items for those in need. Donations can be left in the chapel.

**NEW COLLECTION DATES FOR SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN**

A reminder that the collection dates for the 2021 campaign have shifted to the weekends of:

**April 17-18,  
June 19-20,  
October 2-3.**

We recognize that ShareLife envelopes in our parish envelope boxes have different dates on them, however we accept all donations directed to this organization regardless of the date.

The pandemic has significantly impacted the needs of those suffering within our community, creating an increased demand for the work of our agencies, and more funding is required from the annual ShareLife appeal. It is the greatest need we have ever witnessed, and we are being called to rise to the challenge to support them. We know that you care about those in need and that every day you bear witness to the pain and suffering of those within your community.

**ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK (Virtual) - Wednesday, March 17 – 10 a.m.** from St. Michael's Cathedral in Toronto. Celebrant and homilist will be Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto. The livestream can be accessed at: [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

**COFFEE CHAT WITH CARDINAL COLLINS - Thursday, March 18 – 7 to 8 p.m.** (a virtual event hosted by Women on The Word Toronto). Take advantage of this rare opportunity to speak to one of the successors of the Apostles! If you have a question for Cardinal Collins, send them in advance to: [mary@wowblessingtoronto.com](mailto:mary@wowblessingtoronto.com) Kindly note, that names will not be used when questions are being addressed and we will get to as many questions as time permits. Registration is required: [www.wowblessingtoronto.com](http://www.wowblessingtoronto.com)

**THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS** will be hosting a virtual Come & See Weekend, via Zoom, for men who are 17+ years of age. This event will take start on Friday, March 26 (7 to 9 p.m.) until Saturday, March 27 (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.) The weekend offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary.

Register: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)  
Email for more information: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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