

March 24, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

I hope this finds you well. It is with great sorrow that Cardinal Collins has announced today March 24th at 10am that in order to comply with the "increased restrictions on public activity" **all churches were to remain closed effective immediately.**

Under such guidance from his eminence, Christ The King parish will be **closed for private prayer and parish services are cancelled until further noticed.** This includes the parish office services as well. Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at the parish office number **(416) 251-8983** if in need or with any questions you may have.

Let's not despair in this time of great need and cease this opportunity to connect with other community members and to renew our spiritual practices in a different way. As such, I invite all community members and faithful to join in the following activities :

- Participate in online Mass - Notably offered by Cardinal Collins from St Michael's Cathedral daily in [livestream](#) at 7:30am daily from their [website](#). The celebration is kept in [archives](#) as well to be viewed later in the day as required. <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/> or use links to view.

It is suggested to do a spiritual communion at the normal time of communion during liturgy. There is variety of formulas available online, here is one from *St Alphonsus Liquori* :

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above allthings and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though Thou wert already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee. Amen.

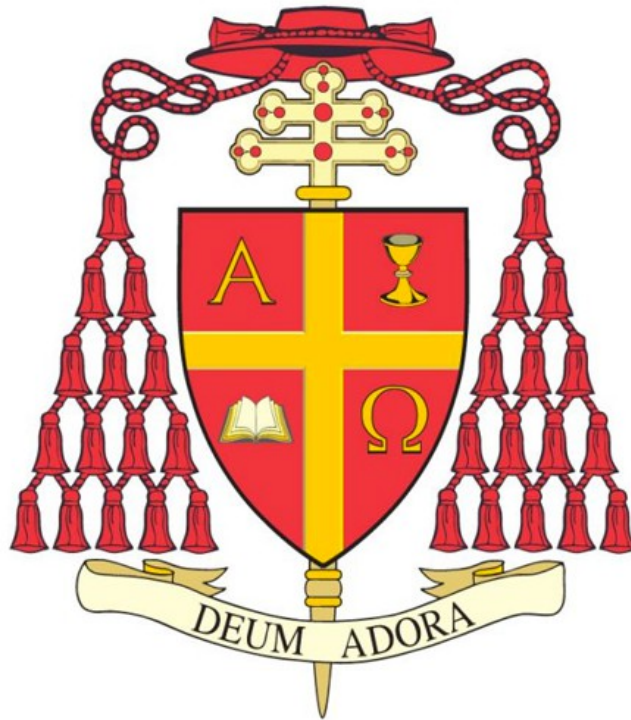
- I invite all parishioners to join me spiritually in praying the Divine Mercy chaplet at 3pm. The regular rosary beads can be used. The formula is available [here](#), for those unfamiliar, with more information on the website to explain the devotion.
- I also invite all parishioners to join me spiritually in praying the Rosary at 7pm. It is a great exercise to grow in our Faith with Jesus to appeal to His mother who always seeks to bring us back to Him. It is also a great opportunity for a family to come together in the practice of the Faith.

I have attached the letter posted on the Archdiocese's website by Cardinal Collins.

In Christ,

Fr. Józef Morawski

Cardinal's Message on COVID-19 - March 24, 2020
Tuesday, March 24, 2020



March 24, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

Dear Father,

In order to assist in limiting the spread of the COVID-19 virus, we have already cancelled the public celebration of the sacraments, including the Eucharist. In view of the increased restrictions on public activity, I am now asking you to close your church and any chapel, even for individual prayer, effective immediately.

As of 11:59 p.m. Tuesday evening, parish offices should be closed to the public. Please make every effort to arrange for remote working arrangements for either the parish secretary or a parishioner who has the capacity to help organize and communicate with the faithful and to reach out to those isolated.

In Christ,

Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

<https://www.archtoronto.org/media-centre/news-archive/chancery-news/cardinals-message-on-covid19--march-24-2020>