

PARISH NEWS

THREE STEP REOPENING PLAN FOR THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Premier Doug Ford announced May 20 a three-step reopening plan for the province.

The steps for the plan are listed below. The timelines are approximate, but the government has announced that each step will last for at least 21 days unless the metric listed below is achieved earlier.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT THREE STEP REOPENING PLAN (Announced May 20, 2021)			
Before Step 1	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
<i>May 20 to June 14, 2021</i>	<i>~ June 14 and next 21 days</i>	<i>~ Next 21 days</i>	<i>~ Next 21 days</i>
	Metric 60 per cent of adults vaccinated with one dose.	Metric 70 per cent of adults vaccinated with one dose and 20 per cent vaccinated with two doses.	Metric 70 to 80 per cent of adults vaccinated with one dose and 25 per cent vaccinated with two doses.
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Max. 10 persons indoors Max 10 people permitted outdoors	Max. 10 indoors Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing	Indoor permitted at 15% capacity Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing	Larger indoor services, rites, and ceremonies Outdoor permitted with capacity limited to permit 2m physical distancing

Churches have been diligent in their care and the exercise of health precaution measures. The Three Step Reopening Plan is disappointing for churches. It was hoped that at Step 1, churches would progress beyond the cap of 10 persons. To that end, there will be further dialogue with the locals MPPs and the provincial government. Information will be shared with the clergy and faithful as it becomes available.

In the meantime, the Churches and Missions will continue to limit the attendance to 10 people (including the celebrant and liturgical ministers.)

Let us continue to pray for all of those impacted by the pandemic and to hold each other in our prayers.

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Fr. Asisclo Podelino, Pastor

Corpus Christi

June 6th, 2021



**“TAKE;
THIS IS MY
BODY.
DRINK;
THIS IS MY
BLOOD.”**

Education:

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: 905 349-2504

St Mary Elementary School, Grafton:
Nicole McGill, Principal 905 349-2061

St Mary Secondary School, Cobourg:
Jason Roberts, Principal 905 372-4339

Catholic School Board www.pvnccdsb.on.ca

Parish Committees & Organisations:

Finance Committee:
Melissa Lilje, Secretary 905 349-2504

Knights of Columbus: 905 349-2504

Parish Pastoral Council
Dennis Goulin Chairperson 905-372-7684

Music at Mass:
Gay Stratford, Organist
10 am Mass on Sun 905 349-2861

Altar Servers
Parish Office 905-349-2504

St Mary's Catholic Women's League:
Pat Murphy, President 905 349-2847
Alta Vance, Religious Articles 905 344-7443

CWL Diocesan website:
www.peterboroughcwl.ca

St Mary's Cemetery Board:
Melissa Lilje, Secretary 905 349-2504

St Vincent de Paul Society 905 377-3263

Eucharistic Ministers
Bruce Lawson 905-349-2751

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Lectors
Richard Holland 905-349-3710

Development and Peace
Suzanne Liptay 905-372-3031

Parish Library
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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 8:30 am & 4:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 9am

THE WEEK OF JUNE 6TH AT THE ALTAR

June 7, Mon., Feria - 9 am -

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June 8, Tues., Feria - 9 am -

June 8, Tues., Feria - 11 am -

June 9, Wed., Feria - 9 am - **The Unborn** [St Mary's CWL]

June 9, Wed., Feria - 11 am -

June 10, Thurs, Feria - 9 am -

June 10, Thurs, Feria - 11 am -

June 11, Fri., *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* - 9 am -

June 11, Fri., *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* - 11 am

June 12, Sat., *Immaculate Heart of the BVM* - 9 am -

June 12, Sat., *Immaculate Heart of the BVM* - 11 am -

June 13, Sat., **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5 pm - **No Mass Today**

June 13, Sun., **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9 am - **No Mass Today**

11am - **No Mass Today**

Intercessions:

- Let us pray this Sunday for the Clergy and Parishioners of the Parish of St Michael Parish in Cobourg.
- Let us pray for the sick in our Parish.

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PARISH FINANCES

	Last Weekend	Same Time Last Year
Sunday Collection	\$625.00	Shut Down (Covid)
Building Maintenance	\$10.00	\$0.00
Rose Window	\$0.00	\$0.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES in JUNE: Bill & Teresa Cowie (56 yrs on June 5th), Henk & Margaret Jansen (56 yrs on June 16th), Willy & Brenda Casteels (26 yrs on June 16th), Brad & Debbie Wannamaker (36 yrs on June 22nd), Michael & Nadia Pelensky (48 yrs on June 23rd). Shane & Stacy Weatherby (23 yrs on June 25th), Joe & Heather Nemeč (17 yrs on June 26th), Gord & Cheryl Krentz (42 yrs on June 30th). God's Blessings on all of you!

Dear Reverend Monsignor and Reverend Fathers,

It was disappointing to learn last week that the provincial government's Reopening Three Step Plan leaves churches at a hard cap of ten people indoors in the first step, while making some allowance for outdoor services. I have contacted local MPP's to express my concern at the continuation of such a strict limit for churches, pointing out that non-essential retail outlets are being allowed a percentage of building capacity in step one.

Cardinal Collins, Bishop Fabbro (President of the ACBO) and other faith leaders are meeting next week with the Premier and officials involved with the Three Step Reopening Plan. We pray that their meetings may result in a review of the Plan. An update following the meeting will be sent to you at the end of next week. In the meantime, I ask you privately to keep this intention in your own prayers.

In Christ,
Bishop Dan Miehm



**Statement from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
following the recent discovery
at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School
on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation**

On behalf of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), I express our deepest sorrow for the heartrending loss of the children at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School on the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation.

The news of the recent discovery is shocking. It rekindles trauma in numerous communities across this land. Honouring the dignity of the lost little ones demands that the truth be brought to light.

This tragedy profoundly impacts Indigenous communities, with whom many people across this land and throughout the world now stand in solidarity.

As we see ever more clearly the pain and suffering of the past, the Bishops of Canada pledge to continue walking side by side with Indigenous Peoples in the present, seeking greater healing and reconciliation for the future.

We lift up prayers to the Lord for the children who have lost their lives and pledge our close accompaniment of Indigenous families and communities.

May our Creator God bless all of us with consolation and hope.

+ Richard Gagnon
Archbishop of Winnipeg and
President of the Canadian Conference
of Catholic Bishops

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