



Our Lady of the Airways Parish

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New Provincial Government Restrictions Announced April 16, 2021

TO: The People of Our Lady of the Airways Parish
FROM: Father Thomas and the Pastoral Team
DATE: April 19th, 2021
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Parish Update - New Provincial Government Restrictions

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*“I’ve commanded you to be brave and strong, haven’t I? Don’t be alarmed or terrified, because the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” - Joshua 1:9*

Dear Friends in Christ,

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, the provincial government once again announced further restrictions in an attempt to minimize the transmission of Covid-19, given the alarming increase in new cases over the past 10 days. **Restrictions for All Parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto began on Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.**

All regions of the Archdiocese of Toronto will be limited to no more than 10 people inside our churches at any given time. Due to these measures and in accordance with Cardinal Collins’ instructions, **ALL PUBLIC MASSES WILL CONTINUE TO BE TEMPORARILY CANCELLED** until further notice. Cardinal Collins also continues to dispense Catholics from Sunday obligations as a result of these restrictions.

Priests will continue to celebrate private Mass daily for the intentions of parishioners and for those suffering from Covid-19. While we recognize it is not a substitute for attending Mass in person, during this extraordinary Christmas Season, we encourage you to view online/televised Masses. A full list is available at the Archdiocesan website at [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org). Or you can participate in our parish Masses found on our **NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL**: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBQWrfx99u6pmcjzrGkDOsA>.

**OUR CHURCH WILL REMAIN CLOSED DURING THIS TIME** given that area code “L4T” remains one the COVID-19 hotspots in Ontario. Weddings, funerals, and baptisms will still take place (with specific restrictions for each celebration). **Confessions will continue to be available by appointment only. Please call the office to set an appointment with a priest.** ALL children Sacraments (e.g., First Holy Communion and Confirmation) have been postponed until further notice.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

The parish office will remain closed to the public as per the directives of Public Health. We continue to check emails and voicemails on a daily basis.

Parishioners can drop their offertory envelopes into the locked mailbox, which is found in the front of our parish office. No appointment or phone call is required. Thank you for your continued support.

**MONTH OF MAY - VIRTUAL ROSARY AND REFLECTION**

Everyone is welcome to join us Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm - 8:00pm during the **Month of May** for a virtual (via Zoom Video & Audio Conferencing) gathering of the Rosary and Reflection with Fr. Thomas.

**\*\*The dates for our virtual gathering will be Wednesday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.**

In his latest update, Cardinal Collins acknowledged the “significant stress and anxiety that many clergy, staff and volunteers are feeling given the current situation and the ongoing demands of operating churches in these unique and challenging circumstances over the past year.” These times are indeed very trying and difficult for all of us. Nevertheless, let us continue to keep our eyes fixed on the Risen Lord during this Easter Season and be mindful of His words, “*Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God*” (Isa. 41:10). Please continue to pray for all those who are sick and those caring for them.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

United in faith,



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