

# St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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## Office Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Wednesday	1:30 am-6:30 pm
Thursday	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

## Sunday Masses

Saturday	ENGLISH	5:00 pm
Sunday	ENGLISH	11:00 am
	POLISH	9:30 am 12:30 pm

## Weekday Masses

Tuesday	ENGLISH	6:30 pm
Wednesday	POLISH	6:30 pm
Thursday	ENGLISH	9:00 am
Friday	POLISH	6:30 pm

First Fridays	BILINGUAL	6:30 pm
First Saturdays	BILINGUAL	9:00 am

## Adoration

Fridays 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays	5:30 pm-6:30 pm
Saturdays	4:00 pm-5:00 pm
Weekdays	20 min. before Mass



## New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish community! Parish registration simplifies the process of receiving sacraments such as baptism or marriage, obtaining any documents you may need, and receiving a tax receipt for your contributions. Registration can be completed at the Parish Office.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Those wishing to have their child baptized should register at the Parish Office.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Anyone wishing to marry at our church, must contact the Parish Office one year prior to the wedding. See our website for more details.

## Funerals

Please contact the funeral home of your choice to make the arrangements. The funeral home will then contact us.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you have a seriously ill family member, friend or a loved one in hospital, a Catholic priest is available on call 24 hours per day. Requests should be addressed to nursing staff.

Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick are also available to all who are ill or housebound, please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11- THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT.**

9:30 am + Ksiądz Władysław Krukar  
POLISH  
11:00 am - Parishioners and benefactors  
ENGLISH  
12:30 pm + Stanisław Szarek  
POLISH

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13**

6:30 pm - Private intention for Danuta Gawlik  
ENGLISH

#### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**

6:30 pm ++ Dusze cierpiące w czyśćcu  
POLISH - W intencji osób uzależnionych i  
podejmujących abstynencję  
- Intencja dziękczynna za miniony 2022r.  
i o Łaski Boże dla całej rodziny na 2023r.

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15**

9:00 am ++ All souls in purgatory  
ENGLISH + Fr. Aleksander Mierzwiński  
+ Alexander D'Alfonso

#### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16**

5:30 pm **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
6:30 pm + Mirosław Trofimiuk  
POLISH

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17**

5:00 pm + Herbert Peters  
ENGLISH

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18- FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT.**

9:30 am ++ Jan I Władysława Biskup  
POLISH  
11:00 am - Parishioners and benefactors  
ENGLISH  
12:30 pm + Weronika Kilian  
POLISH

### OFFERING DECEMBER 3 / DECEMBER 4

Regular Sunday Offering	\$6,436.00
Preauthorized Payments	\$809.00

***Thank you for your support of our parish!***

### ADVENT

In today's Gospel, the Church brings John the Baptist, the man who prepared the people for Christ's public mission, before our minds today, as an example that we should follow, even if only from afar. John prepared himself for the test of welcoming and introducing Christ to others, by a life of self-mortification and penance. He told the

people that the first essential for getting Christ, and profiting by his coming, was that they should turn away from sin and give up any evil ways. He himself practiced what he preached and his preaching, therefore, bore fruit among many of his hearers. John is calling on us too today, to prepare ourselves for Christ's coming this Christmas, by turning away from sin, and by the mortification of ourselves in many ways.

**Today we light the third candle (pink), which symbolizes joy. It is called the "Shepherd's Candle," and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus, as well as the joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.**



### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year's Christmas program pamphlets are available in the narthex of the church for anyone who has not had a chance to pick one up yet.

**Advent confessions** will take place on Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30 pm- 8:30pm.

### PARISH STORE

Christmas cards (English and Polish), as well as Oplátky/Christmas wafers are available for purchase in the parish store.

### PARISH OFFICE- CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

Dear parishioners, the parish office will be closed from Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 to Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

### 2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory envelopes for 2023 will be available for pickup after every weekend Mass on Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> 2022 in the narthex of the Church.

### ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

There will be a mandatory altar servers meeting on Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm – 8:00pm.

### **ST. GABRIELS PARISH ROSARY GROUP**

A new Holy Rosary group is being formed within our Parish community for all those who would like to pray. The goal of the group is to pray one decade of the rosary per day in the Popes intentions. There will be an opportunity to sign up at the back of the church on Saturday, January 14 following the 5:00 pm Mass, and Sunday, January 15 following the 11:00 am Mass. For more information, please contact the Parish office.

### **CHRISTMAS TREE- FUNDRAISER**

**Windy Hill Christmas Tree Farm** is a family-owned business with fundraising opportunities. The Forbes Family invites you to cut your own fresh Christmas tree- for every tree that is purchased by you, a parishioner, the Forbes Family will donate \$10 per tree to our Church! Make sure to bring a copy of this bulletin with you when purchasing.



A variety of trees are available Norway/ White/ Blue Spruce and Fraser/Balsam/Concolour Fir (short needled, open canopy, pesticide free). Red Dogwood twigs, greenery and ready-made pots are available. Cash sales only. The farm is open Fridays/Saturdays/Sundays from 9 am-5 pm. Call Ruth and Jim Forbes at 905-659-2221 for pricing or for appointments. 15 Glenron Road, off Mountsberg Road. Watch for signs on Highway 6, Mountsberg, Centre or Campbellville Roads.

### **CWL NEWS**

Our Christmas Potluck Supper will be held this coming Monday, December 12th, with set up at 6:00pm and supper to follow at 6:30pm, in the Parish Centre. All ladies of the Parish are invited to bring their favourite dish and join together for supper and a Christmas Sing Along. Hope to see you!!

### **BIG HEART FOOD COLLECTION**

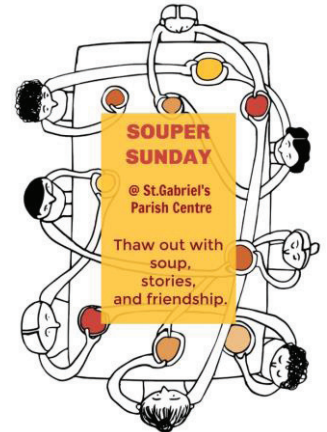
Did you know that more people are using Food Banks today than three years ago? Can you help the Knights of Columbus Council #10061 by donating non-perishable items and personal care items? Donations will go to Food for Life and Burlington Food Bank to help the less fortunate in

the community. The donation bin is in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for any help that you can give.

### **SOUPER SUNDAY**

Souper Sunday Returns! Please join us after all Sunday Masses next weekend - December 18<sup>th</sup>. Soup will be available to enjoy in the Parish Center, or bring a container for Take-Out. Free Will offerings appreciated for the needs of the Parish.

If anyone is interested in helping with Set-up, providing Soup, or clean-up, please contact Mark at 905-681-5519



### **SSVP- ANGEL TREE PROGRAM**

Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to help families in our parish boundaries who are struggling financially by participating in the annual Christmas Angel Tree program. Our neighbours will receive store gift cards so they can purchase food and gifts for their family. You can provide a donation by returning an angel with attached blue envelope during the Mass collections no later than December 18th. The Angel Tree program was a big success last year because of your generous contributions. We thank you for your continued support and kindness and we hope that you will be able to support us once again.

Our families depend on your generosity and are grateful for anything you can give to help them celebrate Christmas. For more information, please call 905-570-6320 or email [ssvpstgabriels@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpstgabriels@gmail.com)






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