

# St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Piotr Machnacki, SAC, Pastor

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## *Holy Family*



## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mass Collection from Dec 16/17 \$ 13 466.-

### EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

#### REGISTRATION

We encourage all the members of St. Gabriel parish, who didn't register yet, to visit our website or the office and fill out the registration form. Being a registered parishioner is helpful in the future requirements related to the religious life.

#### FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP

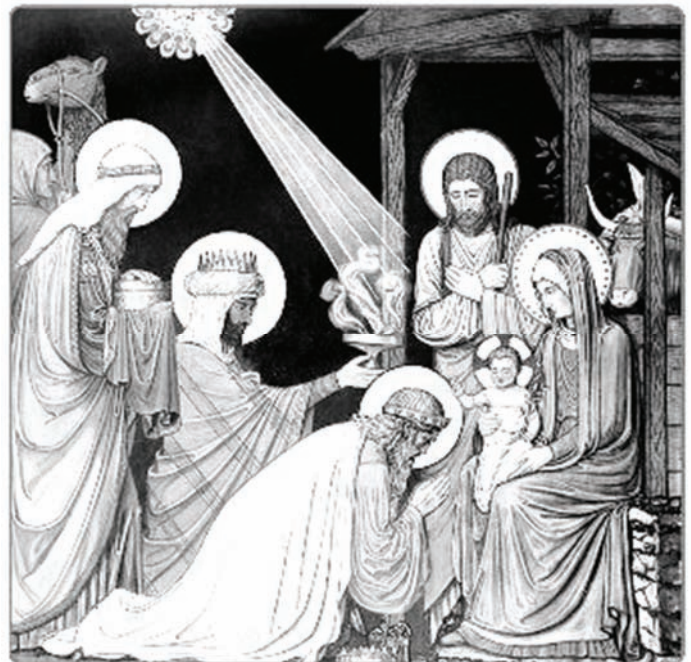
After morning Mass on Friday mornings, a new prayer group meets every two weeks from 8:30 a.m. till 9:00 a.m. Before Jesus, in the Holy Monstrance, we pray for our needs and those of our parish. Come and pray with us.

#### LEGION OF MARY

We meet every Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. in St. Gabriel's Rectory meeting room. We are involved in many works such as; nursing home visits, visiting and acting as Eucharistic Ministers to shut-ins and assisting the priest when he celebrates Mass at a nursing home every second Friday. Please consider joining this wonderful ministry. For more information, please call Cecilia 905-332-8146

#### HOLY MASS FOR VOLUNTEERS

We would like to cordially invite all of our volunteers, CWL Members, Knights of Columbus, Family Outreach Community Members, Ministries of the Eucharist, Lectors, Altar Servers, Cleaning Crew as well as all others who generously donate their time to keep our parish running smoothly, to attend a special Mass on Saturday, **January 13<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m.. Mark your calendar!



#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners and Friends,  
It is a beautiful tradition in our Catholic Church to make **pastoral visits during the Christmas Season**. And furthermore, our Canon Law challenges pastors to visit the homes of parishioners. The reason for this pastoral visit is very simple – to pray and bless the

### **MONDAY, JANUARY 1 NEW YEAR** *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*

8:00 a.m. **No Mass**  
9:15 a.m. (L) Ks. Piotr Machnacki  
11:00 a.m. (L) Ks. Jacek Kryń  
12:30 p.m. + Marek Pajerski

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 2** *Memorial of St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen, bishops & doctors*

9:00 a.m. + Chris Aniol  
6:30 p.m. (L) O wypełnieniu woli Bożej dla Rosanny

### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3** *Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus*

8:00 a.m. + Jerome Tarlow  
8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
6:30 p.m. (L) Ks. Czesław Kolasa

### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 4**

8:00 a.m. (L) Olive Lee-Bun (on her First Birthday)  
6:30 p.m. + Wynagradzająca za grzechy w rodzinie Kowanda

### **FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 5**

8:00 a.m. + Mary Murphy (from Brida Cleary)  
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. *Exposition of the Holy Sacrament*  
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. *Exposition of the Holy Sacrament*  
6:30 p.m. (L) Ks. Czesław Kolasa  
(Eng. & Pol.)

### **FIRST SATURDAY, JANUARY 6**

9:00 a.m. (L) O Boże miłosierdzie i opiekę dla Kubę  
(Eng. & Pol.)  
5:00 p.m. + Lino De Marchi

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 7** *The Epiphany of the Lord*

8:00 a.m. (L) For Parishioners  
9:15 a.m. + Adolf Klakulak i + Julia Ragona  
11:00 a.m. (L) For a safe delivery for Renata and a blessing for the Francis family  
12:30 p.m. + Teodora Wójtowicz

#### Eucharistic Ministries schedule

January 1, 11:00 a.m.: Allan Thomson, Christine Thomson, Ana Clarridge  
January 6, 5:00 p.m. Allan Thomson, Christine Thomson, Leslie Viera  
January 7, 8:00 a.m.: Cecilia Advincula, Jenn Paduch, Victor John  
January 7, 11:00 a.m.: Ana Clarridge, Arlene Salmon, Nancy Meehan

#### Lector's schedule

January 1, 11:00 a.m. P. Barry, R. Beeho  
January 6, 5:00 p.m.  
January 7, 8:00 a.m.  
January 7, 11:00 a.m.

home even every year and meet all members of your family. Sometimes, and especially if you have older mothers and fathers who cannot attend Sunday Mass, you can ask for Holy Communion or even Anointing of the Sick.

Please do not hesitate to call the parish office or ask priests personally after Holy Mass to set up a day and time for a pastoral visit to your home. It is good to start the New Year 2018 with God's Blessing! May this Christmas fill you with the joy and peace of the Child Jesus especially during the New Year 2018. Thank you very much for all that you are doing for the growth of our St. Gabriel Family. God bless you and happy New Year!

*Fr. Piotr & Fr. Jacek*

#### HELP NEEDED

We would like to ask all the volunteers from Cleaning Crew to help with cleaning our Sanctuary. New members are welcome. Thank you.

#### OUR PARISH STORE

The parish store is stocked with many religious items such as ProLife, books and other various gift items. Store open Sundays after the 9:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses and Wend. at 9:30 a.m.

#### THE PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be open regular hours from Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### SOUPER SUNDAY & CAMINO PRESENTATION

The Camino: a repeat presentation by Deacon Randy on his pilgrimage of the Camino and holy sites. A reflection with pictures and stories of his experience. Presentation to start at 12:30 (After 11 am Mass) January 14. Join us for Souper Sunday and fellowship. The free-will offering is accepted for the needs of the church as well as non-perishable food items for the food bank. As always, thanks to those who donate their soup and their time. If you're interested in helping out-talk to Mark.

#### EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

##### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY	Jan. 1 Rev. Thomas Vermiglio, M.C.C.J.
TUESDAY	Jan. 2 Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
WEDNESDAY	Jan. 3 Holy Cross Fathers (C.S.C.)
THURSDAY	Jan. 4 Rev. Octavio Cidado
FRIDAY	Jan. 5 Rev. Jose Edson Moreira
SATURDAY	Jan. 6 Rev. Peter Raymond

##### Prayer for Vocations

Loving Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those whom You are calling to the married state and those You are choosing to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that through Him, with Him, and in Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

##### VOCATION SEEDS' IN OUR PARISH

##### Mary Mother of God - January 1, 2018

Mary treasured all that God had done for her, and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God's gifts and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If you think God is calling you to be

a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x224 mail [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) [www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)**

#### COME RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE IN GUELPH

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See our website at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:  
8-Day Directed Retreats - January 22-30; February 7-15 (1/2 price for new retreatants), Henri Nouwen  
Retreat: A Life in Letters & Journals –  
February 2-4. Knowing the Heart of Jesus Weekend Retreat –  
February 23-25 Directed Prayer Weekend –  
February 23-25 Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment –  
February 23-25. Register online at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) or contact [registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) or call 519.824.1250 ext. 266.

#### THE GIFT OF SWING

The Burlington Knights of Columbus are re-living the big band era when the "sound of swing" reigned supreme in Burlington! On Sunday, **January 28, 2018, 2:00 MATINEE** in the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. The Burlington Knights of Columbus, in support of their many community activities, are proud to sponsor the Toronto All-Star Big Band. Come and enjoy a terrific afternoon of Swing with your friends. You can reserve your "GIFT OF SWING" by calling the box office at 905-681-6000. The ticket price is only \$45.00.

#### BAND OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS MEN'S CONFERENCE

On February 24th join Hector Molina and Bishop of St. Catharines Gerard Bergie along with hundreds of men for Serviam Ministries' 3rd annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Manly Virtue". It is a one day intensive men's retreat consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets: <https://www.serviamministries.com/events/virtue/>, [info@ServiamMinistries.com](mailto:info@ServiamMinistries.com) or 1-888-522-2070.

### THE CATECHISM CORNER

#### **176. What is meant by "the resurrection of the body"?**

By "the resurrection of the body" is meant that at the end of the world the bodies of all men will rise from the earth and be united again to their souls, nevermore to be separated. Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall all indeed rise again. (I Corinthians 15:51)

#### **177. Why will the bodies of the just rise?**

The bodies of the just will rise to share forever in the glory of their souls.

#### **178. Has the body of any human person ever been raised from the dead and taken into heaven?**

By the special privilege of her Assumption, the body of the Blessed Virgin Mary, united to her immaculate soul, was glorified and taken into heaven.

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