



# St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Janusz Roginski, SAC  
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Financial Administrator: Barbara Kasmierski  
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## Vocation Director

Reverend Michael King at 905-528-7988 x2246

## Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 a.m.-2p.m.  
Tuesday closed  
Friday 1 p.m.-6p.m.

## Sunday Masses

English 5:00 p.m. (Saturday), 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Polish 9:15 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Sunday)

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass, closing with Benediction at 9:30 a.m. and every Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

## Diocesan Newsletter

The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton offer a wide range of workshops and educational opportunities during the course of the year. These activities and events are open to all interested parishioners throughout the Diocese. If you would like to keep informed regarding these opportunities for growing in your faith, you are invited to subscribe to a weekly online newsletter by going to the Diocesan Website ([www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)) and click the "Subscribe to our Newsletter" button on the right side of the homepage. Your email address will be used solely to provide you with Diocesan Newsletter and will never be shared with any third party.

## Parish Hall Bookings

If you wish to inquire about using our Parish Hall for any upcoming functions, please contact parish office.

## Parish Schools

St. Gabriel's School 905-332-3333  
St. Mark's School 905-336-3911

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.  
Fridays from 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Those wishing to have their child baptized should call the Parish Office. Parents should be registered members of St. Gabriel's Parish. Please remember that Baptism dates fill up fast, so call early.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Anyone wishing to marry at St. Gabriel's must contact the Parish Office one year prior to the proposed date of your wedding. At least one of the couple must be a registered member of St. Gabriel's Parish. We do not celebrate weddings during Lent. It is required that all couples attend a Marriage Preparation Course. Please contact the Parish Office for registration information.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you have a family member, loved one or friend in the hospital, or shut-in at home, please call the rectory office so that arrangements can be made for their pastoral care. Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick are available to all who are seriously ill.

## Catholic Funeral Rites

When death occurs in the family, please contact the parish office and we will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, please contact the cemetery office at 905-522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985, or visit their website at [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca).

## Notre Dame Catechetical Correspondence Program

Registration forms are available in the narthex for the Notre Dame Catechetical Correspondence Program available to children who do not attend a Catholic school, Grade 1-8. For information, contact Anne Jamieson at 905-528-7988.

## Perpetual Mass Intention

The Pallottine Fathers welcome Enrollments in the Perpetual Masses celebrated by the Pallottine Fathers in Poland.

All provided intentions, for the living and the deceased, will be included in the special Mass every day as long as the congregation exists. With an enrollment, you receive Perpetual Mass Card with the enrollee's name and the requester's name handwritten in the card. To enroll in the Perpetual Mass please visit the parish office.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

Mass Collection November 28/29 \$ 4906  
Building & Maintenance \$ 155

### Mass Intentions For The Week

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

*Second Sunday  
of Advent*

8:00 a.m. + Fr. Władysław Krukar  
9:30 a.m. (L) Za członków Żywego Różańca  
11:00 a.m. (L) Members of CWL  
12:30 p.m. Missa pro Populo

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

*Memorial of St. Ambrose,  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

8:00 a.m. + + + All Souls in Purgatory  
6:30 p.m. (L) Dzięczynno-błagalna o łaski w rodzinie  
Osika

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

*Solemnity of The Immaculate  
Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary*

9:00 a.m. + Gabriel Siu (by Parents and sisters)  
6:30 p.m. (L) Dzięczynna od rodziny Konarskich

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:00 a.m. (L) Florentina Smith  
6:30 p.m. + Ks. Aleksander Mierzwiński

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 a.m. + + Eleanor & Stanley Therrien  
6:30 p.m. + Ks. Aleksander Mierzwiński

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

*Memorial of St. Damasus,  
pope*

8:00 a.m. + Fr. Aleksander Mierzwiński  
6:30 p.m. + Mirosław Trofimiuk (by Grażyna Trofimiuk)

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

*Feast of Our Lady  
of Guadalupe*

9:00 a.m. White Mass  
5:00 p.m. + Andy Nagy (by Barb & Turk)

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

*Gaudete Sunday  
Third of Advent*

8:00 a.m. (L) Bishop Wayne Lobsinger  
9:30 a.m. + Tadeusz Karpiński oraz + Edward Niećpiela  
(od wnuków i prawnuków)  
11:00 a.m. Missa pro Populo  
12:30 p.m. + Stanisław Szarek

### CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Wednesday from 8:30 am to 9:30 am, Fridays from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm and on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm. To arrange an appointment at a different time please call or e-mail the parish office.

### REGISTRATION FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

During Christmas we expect higher attendance during Holy Masses. To stay within the diocese guidelines, presence at Mass by registration only. The sign-up sheet is available during Advent in the back of the church and on our website.

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please pick up your 2021 donations envelopes from the narthex. If there are any changes in your personal data, please contact the parish office. Please, do not use envelopes from 2020 since the number could be changed.

### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-authorized Giving is the best and easiest way to continue to support our Parish even if a second wave of COVID hits our community. It is simple to sign up! Please contact the parish office today to set up your account.

### ANGEL TREE - SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Once again, our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to help families who are struggling at Christmas by taking an Angel from our Angel Tree in the narthex which will be up until the weekend before Christmas. Due to Covid, instead of purchasing gifts, we will be giving our families store gift cards so they can safely purchase gifts for themselves. Attached to the angels will be a special blue envelope you can use to donate which we will pool to purchase gift cards for all the families we help at Christmas. Please be sure to put your name and address on the envelope and if paying by cheque, make it payable to The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. After mass today, please consider taking an angel from our tree. Once you put your donation in the envelope, you can return it in the collection basket at any mass until Sunday, December 20th.



Your help is needed more than ever before. Our families depend on your generosity and will be grateful for anything you can give to help them celebrate Christmas this year.

### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR FINANCE COUNCIL

Due to Covid-19 restrictions we cannot meet in person to provide everyone an insight into how St. Gabriel is coping. To reach as many parishioners as possible, our message to you has

**According to the regulations of the Diocese of Hamilton, appointments are mandatory for visiting the office. To arrange a date and time, please e-mail [office@saintgabrielchurch.com](mailto:office@saintgabrielchurch.com) or call 905 3367144.**

**Please note that the parish office will be closed on December 8-9-10.**

## DECEMBER 6, 2020

been posted on the home page of the parish website. Please visit [saintgabrielchurch.com](http://saintgabrielchurch.com) and click on the link. Questions and feedback should be directed to [financestgabriel@gmail.com](mailto:financestgabriel@gmail.com).

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Big Heart Food Drive by the Knights of Columbus was successful, and Father Janusz has agreed that we bring it back in the community to help those in need during these Covid times. Donations can be placed in the container located in the Narthex.

### FORMED

Have you logged in yet? Go to FORMED now to experience amazing content from over 75 apostolates that you know and trust. See for yourself how the new FORMED will make learning and growing in your faith easier than ever. The membership is fully paid by the parish. To register go to [saintgabrielchurch.formed.org](http://saintgabrielchurch.formed.org), click **Register** and enter your name, e-mail address and desired password. Enjoy!

## EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER

*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.*

MONDAY	December 7	Rev. Adam Wróblewicz, C.R.
TUESDAY	December 8	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
WEDNESDAY	December 9	Order Of Preachers O.P.
THURSDAY	December 10	Rev. Peter Ciallella
FRIDAY	December 11	Rev. Roshan Loy D'Souza, C.S.C.
SATURDAY	December 12	Rev. Francis Salasiar, C.S.C..

### Second Sunday of Advent - December 6, 2020

John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton, [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or call 905-528-7988.

### THE APPOINTMENT OF BISHOP WAYNE LOBSINGER

as Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton is good news indeed! A committee has been established to work with the Bishop-elect in planning and preparing for the February 2nd Episcopal Ordination. Because of COVID-19 restrictions the event will be an "invitation only" gathering – for Family, Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Lay Faithful. Bishop Lobsinger will leave his current assignment as Pastor of St. Ann Parish,

Ancaster, following the Masses on the Feast of the Epiphany, January 3, 2021. Father Michael King has been appointed Administrator of the Parish from then to the end of June, 2021. We pray in thanksgiving for the new Bishop!

### STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

**The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph  
will pray for you during the**

*Novena to Infant Jesus,*

**December 16th to December 25th, 2020**

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Send your prayer intention with your name and address to:

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### Keeping Christ in Christmas by Giving Back to Our Community

Each year the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) runs the Keeping Christ in Christmas Student Contest. We are fortunate to be able to receive so many incredible submissions from our students that highlight the reason for the season, while celebrating the distinctive focus of Catholic education. Again, this year, we are taking our annual contest to the next level by giving back to our community. And what better way to Keep Christ in Christmas than to support local families in need.

**A selection of artwork from last year's Keeping Christ in Christmas student contest has been used to create printed Christmas cards. Each Christmas card bundle has an assortment of 12 cards, available for purchase with a minimum donation of \$10. All proceeds will support families in need this Christmas through the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.**

If you are interested in giving back to the community and purchasing a bundle of Christmas cards, please visit our HCDSB website at [www.hcdsb.org](http://www.hcdsb.org) for more details. To order your Christmas cards visit: <https://bit.ly/HCDSB-ChristmasCards>

**St. Ambrose** (339 – 397) Feast day December 7, bishop of Milan, doctor of the Church. His literary works have been acclaimed as masterpieces of Latin eloquence, and his musical accomplishments are remembered in his hymns. Ambrose is also remembered as the teacher who converted and baptized St. Augustine of Hippo, the great Christian theologian, and as a model bishop who viewed the church as rising above the ruins of the Roman Empire. *"The emperor is in the Church, not above the Church"*  
St. Ambrose

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