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Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star. Lead us to Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.



First Saturday, January 2nd ~ Saints Basil & Gregory Nazianzen

5:00 p.m. + Mary McCarles + Stephen Caracciolo

+ Kathleen McBride

Sunday, January 3rd ~ Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Pastoral Intention

9:15 a.m. + Adolf Klakulak & Julia Ragona (Alicja Lis)

11:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo

12:30 p.m. + Genowefa & Wincenty Pietras

Monday, January 4th

8:00 a.m. + Bill Whelan

6:30 p.m. (L) Jadwiga i Jan Osika

First Tuesday, January 5th

9:00 a.m. (L) Stephen Dalgarno & Family

6:00 p.m. Adoracja o wyzwolenie z nalogow (Adoration) 6:30 p.m. Boze blogoslawienstwo dla Agaty & Ryszard

Wednesday, January 6th

8:00 a.m. (L) Greg Allemano Family ~ followed by Adoration

9:30 a.m. Benediction

6:30 p.m. o zdrowie dla rodziny Jaroszek

Thursday, January 7th ~Saint Andre Bessette

8:00 a.m. + Fabian Dawson 6:30 p.m. (L) Weronika Biskup

Friday, January 8th

8:00 a.m. (L) Vince Gemetti (L) Amanda Radice

(L) Mrs. Stefania Szwarc

6:30 p.m. + Maria + Ignacy + Marcin Piwowarczyk

+ Stanislaw Lisek

Saturday, January 9th

9:00 a.m. Zmarlych czl. Zywego Rozanca 5:00 p.m. + Fr. Martin Bradbury + Aldo Podda + Hilarion and Maria Sarigumba

Sunday, January 10th ~ Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Pastoral Intention 9:15 a.m. + Edmund Angielczyk 11:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo

12:30 p.m. + Stefania Zielinska + Malgorzata Loboda

<u>Liturgical Ministry ~ January 9th/10th, 2016</u>

Schedule for Lectors

5:00 p.m. L. Uy C. Guertin 8:00 a.m. J. Elphick E.J. Hunt 9:15 a.m. A. Fiedler R. Ulman 11:00 a.m. M. Slobodnik A. Whaling

Schedule for Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 p.m. M. Liskauskas V. Liskauskas 8:00 a.m. J. Costigan C. Advincula

9:15 a.m. M. Knul H. Krajewska D. Szczesiul

11:00 a.m. L. Bankley A. Salmon

<u>Saint Vincent Pallotti says...</u> "Imagine that every day is the first and last day of your life."

OFFERING

<u>December 20, 2015</u> <u>Mass:</u>	Sunday Donations:	Loose Cash:	Building Fund:
5:00 p.m.	\$1,235.00	\$177.25	\$366.00
8:00 a.m.	\$1,657.00	\$73.40	\$345.00
11:00 a.m.	\$1,450.00	\$155.50	\$710.00
9:15 a.m.	\$735.00	\$307.00	\$345.25
4:00 p.m.	\$878.00	\$179.10	\$406.00

Thank you for your support of our parish and the needs of others.

Donation Envelopes for 2016 - If you do not currently use donation envelopes and wish to have a set assigned to you, please contact the Parish Office. If you had a set in 2015 and used them regularly, a set has been automatically issued for 2016 and are available to be picked up in the narthex. *Please do NOT use envelopes from previous years, as your number may have changed.*

<u>Parish Information</u> - Don't forget to notify the office if you have changed your address or phone number so our records are up to date.

<u>Sunday Missals</u> - If you would like to have your own missals, they are for sale in the parish store (\$5 each). As well, we have a supply of rosaries, prayer books and other religious articles. Feel free to come and browse.

Baptized in the Lord - Our love and prayers are with the family of Theodore Michael James Fernandes, who was Baptized on December 27, 2015.

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> - Any gentlemen interested in information about the Knights and their parish and community initiatives may call Jack Costigan at 905-332-7231.

Human Liberation Crusade - Every first Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. there is Eucharistic Adoration followed by Mass (in Polish). We pray for those who are suffering from addictions to alcohol, drugs or other substances. Crusade invites all people of goodwill to pray for our family members, friends or for someone who doesn't have anyone to pray for them. Jesus needs generous souls to love Him and console Him for the many sins and crimes committed in the world. The time you will spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is very precious to Him, and makes reparation for innumerable sins. He needs this gift of you to save souls. Contact: Danuta and Krzysztof Wojcik 905-272-3717.

Thank You from the Family Outreach Committee - The Family Outreach Committee would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who participated in the Christmas Angel Tree Project. Each year the committee prepares angels that represent needy families in our area and our parishioners respond very generously. Christmas 2015 was no exception; many families benefited from your generosity. Each family received vouchers for groceries, mandarin oranges, candy, cookies, your gifts and, for those without wrapped gifts, toiletries were included. All this was possible due to the incredible generosity of our parishioners. Thank you again and God Bless you in 2016.



From the Pastor's Desk

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 challengers pastors to visit the homes of parishioners. The reason for this pastoral visit is very simple - to pray and bless the 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.

There is a sign up sheet in the sacristy for home visits. Please sign up or ask the priests personally after Holy Mass to set up a time for a pastoral visit to your home. It is good to start the New Year with God's Blessing! May this Christmas fill you with the joy and peace of the Child Jesus especially during the New Year 2016. 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

<u>CWL</u> - The next Meeting will be Monday January 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre. This Meeting will be the first for the new Executive. All are welcome. Please supply your own cup or plate.

Pre-Authorized Debit - We are exploring the option of introducing pre-authorized debit to the parish as an alternate means of making your financial offering. At this time, we are trying to assess whether the interest in this option would make it feasible to implement and we would like your feedback. If you are interested in making use of pre-authorized debit, please contact the parish office. If the response is sufficient, we will begin the paperwork involved to set up the option. Of course, traditional envelopes will always be available for those who prefer this method of making your offering.

<u>Donations in Lieu of Flowers</u> - When making arrangements with the funeral home for yourself or a loved one, please keep in mind that donations to St. Gabriel Parish in lieu of flowers are always an alternative. Please make your wishes known to the funeral home.

<u>Donation of Stocks, Shares etc. to the Parish</u> - Parishioners may wish to donate stocks, bonds, shares, etc. to the Parish as part of their offertory giving. An income tax receipt for the full value of the shares at the time of the donation will be issued and can offer significant tax savings. If you are interested in this option, please contact Catherine Moskal, Associate Investment Advisor, BMO Nesbitt Burns at 905-301-8315 or catherine.moskal@nbpcd.com.

IN OUR DIOCESE

The Church as a Field Hospital - Pope Francis asks us to think of the Church as a field hospital after a battle, dedicated to healing the wounded. Come explore what that means with David Dayler, author of Being a Man After God's Own Heart and other titles, in a free public event January 14, 7 p.m. in the parish hall at St. John the Baptist Church, 2016 Blairholme Ave., Burlington. David Dayler is Director of the Office of Discipleship and Parish Life for the Diocese of Hamilton. Sponsored by the Men's Group of St. John's Parish.

Heal Your Heart - Broken hearts are painful – don't get stuck in the pain of conflicting emotions. Are you dealing with a loss in your life? (Death of spouse, child or miscarriage; divorce; job loss; loss of your home; health; a pet; culture; infertility; romantic relationship; ailing parents) There is help – you are invited to join us for a series of Group Bereavement Workshops intended to assist you in coping with the feelings associated with loss. The goal of the workshops is to provide definitive actions that will mend conflicting emotions that hold you back from enjoying life. Join us for this 6 week course being held Wednesdays Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24 at St. Michael Parish, 181 Sewell Drive, Oakville, 7-9 p.m. For information call Ilse at 905-338-1778; to register go to www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. Cost is \$35 and includes material.

Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

In your charity please pray for all who minister in the church. "Here I am, Lord, send me." (Isaiah 6:8)

Monday, January 4th Father Donald Wilhelm
Tuesday, January 5th Father Aurimas Rudinskas, OP

Wednesday, January 6th Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI)

Thursday, January 7th
Friday, January 8th
Saturday, January 9th
Father Wallace Metcalf
Father David Wilhelm
Father Robert Stainsby

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Please contact Joanne Kanerva, Youth Minister at 905-336-7144 ext. 28; stgabescyo@hotmail.com or check for updates on Twitter @ THEGABESZONE regarding the following:

<u>The Gabe's Zone Youth Group</u> - Fridays, 7-9 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Students grade 4 and up are welcome to attend this fun, faith filled group experience. Older students needed as leaders!!!

<u>Preparation for Communion 2016</u> - Students who do not attend a Catholic school and wish to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist should attend the Parish class of preparation beginning on February 7 at 9:30 in the youth room of the Rectory. Children who are in need of Baptism can also join this class for a period of preparation. For info call Joanne Kanerva.

<u>Prayer Buddies Program</u> - Children from our Catholic schools will be asked to pray for a Parish "Buddy" in need of ongoing prayer support. If you would like to have your name, or the name of a loved one included, call Joanne. Personal details are confidential. Only the information that you allow will be given to the class praying for you.

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> - Sundays, 11 a.m. Mass. Children's Liturgy is a wonderful way for children to hear God's word in a child friendly way. The Liturgy of the Word is offered to children during the first part of the Mass and they return to their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist so they can experience the sacred mystery of God's great love and Sacrifice.

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