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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 First Friday following the 6:30 p.m. Mass, ending at 8:00 p.m.

New to the Parish

If you are new to St. Gabriel's please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. Be sure to complete a registration form. You are welcome to become involved in any of the organizations or ministries that may interest you.

Parish Hall Bookings

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

Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School 905-335-1544 St. Gabriel's School 905-332-3333 St. Mark's School 905-336-3911

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Fridays from 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.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.

Priesthood or Religious Life

For information on Priesthood or Religious Life please speak with one of the parish priests or contact the Diocesan Vocation Director Reverend Michael King at 905-528-7988.

The Vocation Office website is: www.vocationinfo.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.

Halton Catholic District School Board Trustee

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MASS INTENSION FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MAR. 27

8:00 AM + Artur Kozyra (from Kowanda Family)

6:30 PM + Mirosław Trofimiuk

TUESDAY, MAR. 28

9:00 AM + Artur Kozyra (from Anna Szynal)

6:30 PM + Mirosław Trofimiuk

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 29

8:00 a.m. (L) John & Katrine Hosszu (for their 32nd

Wedding Anniversary)

After Mass, Holy Hour with Benediction 6:30 p.m. + Mirosław Trofimiuk

THURSDAY, MAR. 30

8:00 a.m. (L) Julie Kovacs & Family 6:30 p.m. + Mirosław Trofimiuk

FRIDAY, MAR. 31

8:00 a.m. + Balbina Ferrer

8:30 a.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Eng.)

5:00 p.m. Divine Mercy and Holy Hour

6:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Pol.)

6:30 p.m. + Teresa Wagner

SATURDAY, APR.1

9:00 a.m. (L) O Miłosierdzie Boże i opiekę dla Kuby

(od rodziców)

5:00 p.m. (L) Weronika Dziedzic

+ John Hosszu

+ James Do Porto

+ Larry Young

+ Aurora

SUNDAY, APR. 2

8:00 a.m. For Parishioners

9:15 a.m. + Bolesław Berek (w 2 rocznicę śmierci)

11:00 a.m. + Jolanta & Jan Freyberg 12:30 p.m. + Alexander Pazdzior

1:30 p.m. GORZKIE ŻALE (Polish Liturgy with

The Exposition)

Wednesday Morning Holy Hour

Every Wednesday after morning Mass, there is the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and spend some time with God. He is truly present in the monstrance on the altar. Spending time with God will fortify us with graces and fight the evils of the world. Come for a few minutes or more. Just come. You will be blessed.

<u>Divine Mercy Hour of Adoration</u> - Every Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. there is an hour of Adoration devoted to the Divine Mercy. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed in Polish and English. Please join us in an hour of devout prayer.

Mass Collection from March 18/19 \$6514.45

LENTEN RETREAT IN ENGLISH PROGRAM



Events in our Parish

BANNS OF ORDINATION

Our parishioner Rev. Mr. Michael Kevin D'Souza is to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Presbyter for the Diocese of Hamilton on May 6, 2017 at Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Canon Law obligates Catholics to reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

Please remember him in your prayers.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT

On April the 6th grade 2 children from St. Gabriel School will have their retreat day together with holy Mass in preparation for receiving the sacrament of Eucharist.

29th DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

In our church the Divine Mercy celebration will be hold on April 23 at 3:00 pm, with guidance of Rev. Michael King.

OLD GREETINGS CARDS

All the cards you have received over the years and don't need them anymore: Christmas, Easter, Birthday, etc. can be used again by Sister of St. Claver. They create new cards and by selling them, Sisters support the catholic mission around the world. Please bring your cards and place them in the big basket located in the Narthex. Thank you!

CLEANING CREW

We wish to thank all the volunteers of our parish, particularly those, who participate in cleaning the church each week. We are still looking for new members. Please, consider offering your time and joining the cleaning crew. Thank you.

Events in the Diocese

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On **Sunday, June 25, 2017**, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. The Mass is for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60 plus years in the year 2016. (<u>Space allows room for Anniversary couples only</u> - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). **To register go to:** <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u>

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CONSCIENCE RIGHTS FOR DOCTORS

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of ON requires physicians to make an "effective referral" for assisted suicide and euthanasia. Many Catholic physicians and other caregivers are unable to do this in good conscience and are being forced to choose between their conscience and their careers. Given the introduction of Bill 84 on medical aid in dying at Queen's Park in December we have the opportunity to push for amendments to the Bill to include conscience protection for all health care workers. We are asking parishioners to contact their MPPs about this important issue before March 31, 2017. It is important for the Catholic voice in Ontario to be heard.

There is a suite of materials with step by step instructions that can be used to help you speak to your MPP about this topic. Here are the links to the materials and to a video which explains the situation, or you can visit the website at: http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/

FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are kindly reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1st to facilitate the spring clean-up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1st will be removed and discarded. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

DISCOVER SERRA! Serra is a Catholic organization for the promotion of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Members of SERRA CLUB of HALTON cordially invite you to attend an information meeting Saturday April 1st at St. Paul the Apostle , 2265 Headon Road, Burlington. We begin with 9 o'clock Mass, followed by breakfast. Although this event is free, please let us know if you plan to attend by contacting Sidonia Polivka at 905 637-3061 or by email sidoniap12@gmail.com .

For more information about Serra Club of Halton please visit: www.serrahalton.ca

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2017 MAY 11

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THE PORN CULTURE

Pornography continues to be a growing crisis in our society and the link to human trafficking has been documented. Children as young as 8 years of age through to all ages of adults are being negatively impacted by the porn culture in which we live. The Waterdown Stop Human Trafficking Committee is hosting their annual conference on Saturday, April 29th from 9 – 1 pm. Their speakers, Michelle Brock and Glendyne Gerrard, will offer practical ways for all to respond to this crisis. You will also have a chance to view a powerful documentary on the impact of pornography titled Over 18.The conference is being held at Notre Dame Centre, Emmaus Room, 1921 Snake Road, Burlington. To register call 289-813-0703, or e-mail stophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com; cost is \$10 per adult to be paid at the door.

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