

St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday	9 a.m2p.m.
Tuesday	closed
Friday	1 p.m6p.m.

Sunday Masses

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday from 5:30 p.m. - 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) 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 St. Mark's School Notre Dame 905-332-3333 905-336-3911 905 335 1544

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Fridays from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Weekdays 20 min before Mass

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.

Notre Dame Catechetical Correspondence Program

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28First Sunday of Advent8:00 a.m.+ + + All souls in Purgatory9:30 a.m.(L) O łaskę zdrowia dla Sebastiana Kołosowskiego11:00 a.m.Pro populo			
12:30 p.m.	+ Andrzej Zyluk (w 10 rocznicę śmierci)		
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29 NO MASS			
TUESDAY,	NOVEMBER 30	Memorial of St. Andrew, apostle	
6:30 p.m. (Eng.)	+ + Stanisław i Helena	•	
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1			
6:30 p.m. (Pol.)	+ + Józef i Marta Fedoruk (od Krystyny Knul) + + Michał i Franciszka Wójcik (L) Danuta Mazur		
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29:00 a.m.+ + + All souls in Purgatory(Eng.)+ + + Adam, Wiktoria, Piotr i Maria Kulig oraz + Helena Bernais+ Nelson KM (by Salvee Nelson)+ Marie Hendrickson (by Lucille Dunn & Family) + Connie Brazil			
6:30 p.m. (Pol.& Eng.)	(L) O łaskę wiary i pov z rodzinami.	wrót do Kościoła dla dzieci	
FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3 Memorial of St. Francis			
6:30 p.m. (Pol. & Eng.)			
FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4 Memorial of St. John Damascene, priest & Doctor of the Church			
9:00 a.m. (Pol.& Eng.)	9:00 a.m. (L) O Boże miłosierdzie i opiekę dla Kuby		
(Pol.& Eng.) 5:00 p.m. (Eng.)	+ + Kazimierz i Teresa	a Grzankowscy	
SUNDAY, D 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	+ Ks. Władysław Kruk (L) Members of CWL	Second Sunday of Advent ar	
Collection on November 20/21\$ 4268Building & Maintenance\$ 1363			
OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2022 Please pick up your envelopes for Sunday donations at the back			

Please pick up your envelopes for Sunday donations at the back of the church. Your donations are tax deductible. Please do not use your 2021 envelopes in 2022.

Pre-Authorized Giving is the best and easiest way to continue to support our Parish. It is simple to sign up! Please contact the parish office today to set up your account.

DECEMBER

The month of December dedicated to the is Immaculate Conception. The first 24 days of December fall during the liturgical season known as of Advent and are represented bv the liturgical color purple a symbol of penance, mortification, and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The best person we can turn to for help during Advent is Mary,



Christ's and our Mother. She awaited the day of His birth, and Her preparation was complete in every respect. Let's crown our preparation and borrow something of Mary's prayerfulness, her purity and whole-hearted submission to God's will.

The remaining days of December mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The liturgical color changes to white or gold — a symbol of joy, purity and innocence.

ADVENT RECOLLECTION 2021

Please mark your calendars now to save the dates for the retreat on **December 18, 19, 20 and 21,** preached by Fr. Adam Filas, OMI. The detailed program for Advent & Christmas will be released soon.



Fr. Adam Filas, OMI, was born on December 23, 1962, in Poland. He joined the OMI Congregation in 1983 and in 1990 has been ordained to Priesthood. In the same year he was sent to Hudson Bay to work with the Inuit. In 1996 Fr. Filas was assigned to St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Mississauga as a pastor. Three years later his superiors

moved him to Brampton to start the new Polish Parish and build the church dedicated to St. Eugene de Mazenod, along with the Polish Centre and Retirement Home. At present Fr. Adam is helping to organize the Mission Groups among parishes.

CWL BAKE SALE

December 4th/5th after the Masses (5:00 p.m. on the 4th and all on the 5th) in the Parish Centre. In lieu of Bazaar. Please drop in after any Mass and exit through the back door. Baked Goods may be delivered to the Parish Centre Saturday Dec. 4th after 1:00 p.m. All baking greatly appreciated. All proceeds go to the Church. All Covid 19 directives apply.

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NOVEMBER 28, 2021

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on



Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy. All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, **December 12th at the 11:00 am & 12:30 pm** to be blessed as we too celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day and as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.

ST. GABRIEL'S CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Christmas will be here soon and now is a perfect time to donate to the St. Gabriel's Food Drive. Non-perishable food items will make a difference for those less fortunate during the Christmas season. Do you want to help? You can drop items off anytime the church is open in the bin located in the Narthex. Did you know that Council #10061 have partnered with the St Gabriel's CWL to make a difference in our community?

CAKES, COOKIES & CHOCOLATES PICKUP!

Thank you for supporting this year's Knights of Columbus, Cakes, Cookies and Chocolate fundraiser! We have arranged a "Pickup your Order Night".

Date: Wednesday, December 1, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Location: Foyer of the Parish Hall, St. Gabriel's Church the location is the foyer of the Parish Hall entrance). If you are unable to make this pickup date, please let us know via email and we'll coordinate an alternative arrangement. Email us at stgabrielskofc@gmail.com

LITURGY FOR CHILDREN ON SUNDAY

All children ages 4 and up are welcome to learn about Jesus and our faith during interactive lessons/activities. No sign up required. Children's Liturgy is held at 9:30 AM Mass in Polish/English and at 11am Mass in English. Led by qualified schoolteachers who follow covid protocols. Children will be called up by Fr. Paul at the beginning of Mass.

WELCOME

Congratulations to the new members of our parish and their Families. In November Pola, Leonie Renata and Gia Mariola have received the Sacrament of the Baptism.

WE WELCOME ALL YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

 Young Adults (18-35) to our Young Adults group. We will meet every second Thursday evenings at 7PM in the Annunciation Room. High school youth (Gr. 9-12) We meet on Fridays from 7:15 pm – 9:00 pm

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

- We need more readers to read during weekend Masses. We need both English and Polish lectors.
- Ushers -to collect the offering and to greet people at Mass. All are welcome to join.

WHITE MASS

Consistent with the white coats and uniforms formerly worn by physicians and nurses, the WHITE MASS is celebrated annually for the spiritual support of healthcare professionals, clergy, chaplains, and all caregivers. Join us as we welcome Fr. Terrance McKenna who will celebrate this year's WHITE MASS on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, **Sunday**, **December 12th** at 4:00 p.m. at St. Gabriel Church. A good will offering would be appreciated to help cover expenses. For more information, please call 905-335-6902.

ANGEL TREE PROGRAM 2021

Our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to continue helping families who are struggling by participating in the annual



Christmas Angel Tree program. You can provide a donation by returning an angel with attached blue envelope during the Mass collections **no later than December 20**th. Because of your generous contributions the Angel Tree program was a big success last year. We thank you for your continued support and kindness and we hope that you will be able to help us help our families again this year. Thank you. <u>ssvpstgabriels@gmail.com</u> (905) 570-6320

PALLIATIVE CARE IN CARPENTER HOSPICE

In case one of the members of your family is transferred to the palliative care facility, Carpenter Hospice, please inform the nurses if you would like a priest to come to perform Last Rites. The Carpenter Hospice staff will contact us to arrange the visit.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2023

The **2021 – 2023** Synod of Bishops brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. Visit: <u>https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about</u>

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Hamilton Diocese Speaker Series - On March 19th we entered into the Amoris Laetitia Year of Family. Pope Francis, in calling this special year, reminded us that this is "a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry." Beginning in **January of 2022**, the Diocese will be organizing a speaker series with a new topic each month through until June. The presentations will be by zoom to allow for more involvement throughout the Diocese. We will start with a three-part series on Amoris Laetitia in January. Check the Diocesan website for more information about both the year and the Diocesan Speaker Series at <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

