



# St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

Rev. Piotr Machnacki, SAC, Pastor  
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Rev. Mr. Randy Matters, Deacon  
Peter Posocco, Music Director

## 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](http://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](http://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

Jane Michael, Trustee for Wards 3 & 6  
905-319-6582 [michaelj@hcdsb.org](mailto:michaelj@hcdsb.org)

## SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

December 3, 8:00 a.m. M. Vukovic, M. Huschilt  
December 3, 11:00 a.m. L. Gurusinghe, R. Beeho

Mass Collection from Nov. 18/Nov. 19 \$ 5436

### 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 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. The Legion also has a Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima that when requested is taken to a home for a week's stay so they can pray the Rosary with their family. Please consider joining this wonderful ministry. For more information, please call Cecilia 905-332-8146

#### CONGRATULATION

We would like to congratulate all the Grade 7 students from St. Gabriel School, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on November 19. May Gifts of the Holy Spirit guide them in their future.

#### A BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank those, who voluntarily for many years helped maintaining the Bingo game, which generated some income for our parish. Thank you Barbara, Anna and Audrey for your time and involvement!

#### HELP NEEDED

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

#### A LETTER FROM KNITHS OF COLUMBUS

Cooperation between us makes a difference. As a result of Maria's idea of converting scrap metal into cash fund for new kitchen stove to our parish hall KoC responded immediately to help out. Scrap metal collected in the past by a Mission Friends' Group in our parish was delivered to the scrap metal side in Burlington giving us a fund in range of ~\$750. It is dedicated towards a new stove to be installed in our kitchen. Rosary Women Group [Maria] and KoC [Steven, Denis, Joe, Jacek] would like to thank all involved in this project so far for their time and dedication and especially the donors of the scrap metal.

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

8:00 a.m. + Adrelina Advincula  
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Rosary /for deceased/ Wypominki  
6:30 p.m. + Ewa Zmorka

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

9:00 a.m. + Eugenia Malec  
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Rosary /for deceased/ Wypominki  
6:30 p.m. (L) O łaske zdrowia dla Jadwigi i Stanisława Tomera

#### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29**

8:00 a.m. + Victor Jose Pinto Pegado  
(from Pegado family)  
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Exposition of the Holy Sacrament  
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Rosary /for deceased/ Wypominki  
6:30 p.m. + Valeria Philips

#### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30** *Memorial of St. Andrew, apostle*

8:00 a.m. + + + Wiktoria, Adam, Karol Kulig  
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Rosary /for deceased/ Wypominki  
6:30 p.m. + Zdzisław Pietruszka, + Halina Konieczna

#### **FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1**

8:00 a.m. + + + Tadeusz, Antoni, Adam Ślęzak  
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, DECEMBER 2**

9:00 a.m. (L) O Boże błogostawieństwo i opiekę dla Kubry  
(Eng. & Pol.)  
5:00 p.m. + Anthony Steven Melo  
+ Albert Frederick Risso  
+ Peggy Lindsay  
+ Jan Jaroszewicz (from Rostek Family)  
+ Pina Guerra



#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3** *First Sunday of Advent*

8:00 a.m. (L) For Parishioners  
9:15 a.m. (L) Za Członków Żywego Różańca  
11:00 a.m. (L) George & Barbara DeMelo  
(25th Wedding Anniversary)  
12:30 p.m. **No Mass**  
2:00 p.m. Confirmation, St. Mark School  
7:00 p.m. (L) O łaskę zdrowia dla Józefa Szydłowskiego

#### **Eucharistic Ministries schedule**

December 2, 5:00 p.m.: Leslie Viera  
December 3, 8:00 a.m.: Jenn Paduch, Victor John,  
Cecilia Advincula  
December 3, 11:00 a.m.: Arlene Salmon, Nancy Meehan,  
Linda Bankley

#### **Lector's schedule**

December 2, 5:00 p.m. L. Radice, C. Guertin

**CWL MEETING**

The CWL December Potluck Meeting: Monday, **December 11<sup>th</sup>** in the Parish Centre at 6:30 p.m. Items for the Food Bank would be appreciated. All are welcome.

**CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE**

Our Angel tree will stay in the narthex for the next couple weeks. Each Angel represents a person in need in our parish. We invite parishioners to choose an angel from the tree and purchase a gift or gift certificate. Please return the wrapped gift or gift certificate with the angel and ribbon attached no later than Sunday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. All deliveries will be made on Tuesday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. We urge you to return your gift on time otherwise someone will be deprived. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Family Outreach Committee.

**THE CAMINO PRESENTATION**

The Camino, an Advent Reflection: Thursday **December 7<sup>th</sup>** at 7:15pm, St. Gabriel's Parish Hall - a personal reflection by Deacon Randy Matters on his pilgrimage Camino Frances and other holy sites. Deacon Randy will share his experiences with pictures and stories.

**EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE**

**OPEN HOUSE AT LOYOLA HOUSE (Guelph, ON)**

The Jesuit Community of Guelph invites you to their annual OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, **December 3** from 2-4pm. This event will take place at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Hwy 6 N, Guelph. There will be light snacks and beverages for all. Direct all questions to 519 824 1250 or [reception@ignatiushouse.ca](mailto:reception@ignatiushouse.ca).

**YOU ARE INVITED TO A HEALING MASS**

Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. The feeling of loss, regardless of the amount of time that has passed, is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with such grief, is planned at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, **December 3rd, 2017 at 4 pm**. Any one who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby. God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence. Registration is preferred, but not necessary, as it will assist us in knowing how many spaces to reserve and to ensure we have enough of the small memento each family will receive. Please call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS**

...when you have lost a loved one. Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman. Where - Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. When - Sunday, **December 3rd** Time - 1:30 – 3:00 pm. The event is FREE of charge.

**CHRISTMAS DINNER AND DANCE FOR CATHOLIC SINGLES**

We are inviting All Heterosexual Catholic Singles aged 19-99 yrs. to join us for our Formal Christmas Dinner and Dance for Catholic SINGLES on Sat **December 9/17** from 7:30pm to 11:45pm. Seating by Age Group! Pre-Pay all Tickets by Nov 25/17 by Cash in person or email transfer at [canadacatholicsingles@gmail.com](mailto:canadacatholicsingles@gmail.com) or call Barb at 647 207 3162. Cost of Ticket: \$45.00 including Tax plus Cash/Bar...

**THE ANNUAL ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS**

will be held at the Cathedral Basilica on **December 10**, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. It is a beautiful and prayerful way to celebrate the Advent

season in word and song and to prepare worthily for the celebration of Christmas. Mark your calendars!

**INTERNAL AUDITORS**

The Diocese of Hamilton is looking for part-time Auditors to perform financial and administrative reviews of our Parishes and Cemeteries. The hours of work will vary depending on the number of reviews and the complexity of the reviews, but on average an Auditor can expect to work between 7 to 15 days per year. Remuneration will be based on the number of audits performed.

Duties include:

- Review and critique of the current audit program.
- Responsible for planning and execution of 5 to 10 audits per year.
- Prepare and present audit reports for review.
- Work with Parishes and Cemeteries to correct the audit findings.
- Some travel will be required.

Qualifications:

- Professional designation in accounting is required.
  - Strong communication and presentation skills with ability to comfortably communicate at all levels. If this is a position that would interest you, please submit a resume to: [carrers@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:carrers@hamiltondiocese.com)
- Applications will be accepted until **December 15th**, 2017.

THE CATECHISM CORNER

**164. When does the Church teach infallibly?**

The Church teaches infallibly when it defines, through the Pope alone, as the teacher of all Christians, or through the Pope and the bishops, a doctrine of faith or morals to be held by all the faithful.

**165. What is meant by the indefectibility of the Catholic Church?**

By the indefectibility of the Catholic Church is meant that the Church, as Christ founded it, will last until the end of time.

And, behold, I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world. (Matthew 28:20)

**166. Are all obliged to belong to the Catholic Church in order to be saved?**

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Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but through me." (John 14:6)

**167. What do we mean when we say, "Outside the Church there is no salvation?"**

When we say, "Outside the Church there is no salvation," we mean that Christ made the Catholic Church a necessary means of salvation and commanded all to enter it, so that a person must be connected with the Church in some way to be saved.

**168. How can persons who are not members of the Catholic Church be saved?**

Persons who are not members of the Catholic Church can be saved if, through no fault of their own, they do not know that the Catholic Church is the true Church, but they love God and try to do His will, for in this way they are connected with the Church by desire.



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