

**Monday, January 4th**

8:00 a.m. + Jim Callaghan
6:30 p.m. + Dariusz Kaczmarek

Tuesday, January 5th

9:00 a.m. + Scott Soroko
6:30 p.m. + Mieczyslaw Biskup

Wednesday, January 6th

8:00 a.m. (L) Julie Maria Kovacs
6:30 p.m. O zdrowie i Boze Blogoslawienstwo dla Krystyny i Stefana Szumnarskich

Thursday, January 7th

8:00 a.m. Margaret MacDonald
6:30 p.m. (L) Hugh Chisholm

Friday, January 8th

8:00 a.m. + Doris McGraw
6:30 p.m. + Celina Stefanski

Saturday, January 9th

9:00 a.m. + Jozef Szura
5:30 p.m. + Jame Edmund

Sunday, January 10th ~ Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Pastoral Intention
9:15 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Missa Pro Populo
12:30 p.m. + Teresa i Apolinary Mrozek
+ Tomasz i Tadeusz Plata

Liturgical Ministry ~ January 9th/10th, 2010**Lectors' Schedule**

5:30 p.m.	J. Elphick	A. Cholewka
8:00 a.m.	P. Cianciolo	J. Sherlock
9:15 a.m.	B. Berek-Kowanda	E. Kowanda
11:00 a.m.	A. Walden	D. Irwin
12:30 p.m.	M. Sokolowska	L. Terlecki

Eucharistic Ministers' Schedule

5:30 p.m.	M. Rattray	C. Rattray
8:00 a.m.	L. Vieira	L. Uy
9:15 a.m.		
11:00 a.m.	S. Clarke	P. Wright

IN OUR PARISH

2010 Donation Envelopes - Your offertory envelopes are available to be picked up in the Narthex. If you wish to use donation envelopes and you do not have a set assigned to you, please contact the Parish Office.

Adoption Builds Families - Would you like to hear more about the

Manitoba Missions - St. Carmen's Wish List: Hats; Gloves; Socks for Seniors; New Toys for Children. Drop off in the narthex.

Bingo News ~ Help Wanted!!! St. Gabriel Church needs volunteers to help at the 9:45 p.m. Bingo, on Friday nights at The Bingo Connection on Plains Rd. If you can help please call Rita at (905) 332-3062. It's only once a month. If we get two or three people to help it would be only once every three months. Please consider this. Thank You.

Father Corapi Series will resume on January 6, 2010. Upcoming topics will include:

Jan. 06	Purgatory - Heaven and Hell.
Jan. 13	New War... Old War
Jan. 20	Priesthood: Sacrifice and Service
Jan. 27	The Pope, Peter the Rock in Christ

More to follow....Everyone is welcome.

Thank You! - The St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus wish to thank all parishioners who purchased poinsettias from them. Proceeds of the sale will be used for Parish Charities.

Knights of Columbus - Any gentlemen interested in information about the Knights and their parish and community initiatives may call Alex Furgal 905-335-0128 or Hugh MacDonald 905-332-4204.

Apostleship of the Holy Eucharist is an association of people dedicated to (i) Belief in the True presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist; (ii) Intercessory prayer for the renewal and restoration of Faith {the Holy Hour}; (iii) Personal faith renewal; and (iv) Promotion of belief in and devotion to the True presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. A group of parishioners meet before the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday evening after the Polish Mass for an hour of prayer and meditation. All are welcome.

The Snow Angels Program - Students of Notre Dame High School will continue to provide a free snow removal service to those who are unable to clear their own snow this winter. The Snow Angels program is activated by 'snow emergency' events as announced in local media. They can occur at most anytime during the winter months. Generally, snow angel volunteers clear snow from their assigned walkways within 24 hours at the END of a major snowfall. They are responsible for the following: clearing of snow from City Sidewalks in front of the home; clearing of snow off driveways and driveway entrances left by snow plows; and clearing a path to the client's front door. You are eligible for a snow angels volunteer if you are 65 years of age or older and currently receive the Seniors' Tax Credit OR if you are any resident with a disability, documented by an Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) cheque stub, a wheelchair parking pass or a doctor's note, regardless of age.

New to the Parish - Please register by completing a registration form (available in the Narthex). We also ask that you notify the office of any change in address or telephone number.

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Volunteers Needed - Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home requires volunteers to help with programs, feeding residents and visiting. If you can help out, please call Brad at 905-335-3636. adoption process through the Catholic Children's Aid Society of

Hamilton? Our children can range from six months to six years and everything in between. Please join us for an Adoption Information Session on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton, 735 King Street East, Hamilton.

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Lottery Fundraiser 2010 - 64 chances to win! 12 monthly draws for \$1,000 on the first day of each month! 52 weekly draws of \$100 every Sunday of each week starting January 1st, 2010 to December 26th, 2010! Tickets \$50.00 each, ****Special 5 Tickets for \$200.00****. Only 1,200 Tickets will be sold! Closing date for sales is January 31, 2010. All winning tickets go back into the drum for more chances to win. Order tickets by calling 905-689-4857, email stthomaschurch@bellnet.ca or visit the parish office. We accept cash, cheque, visa or mastercard!

Pursue Love and Strive for the Spiritual Gifts - You are invited to attend an evening focussing on married couples. In a romantic ambiance, over wine and a beautiful five course meal, couples are given a special opportunity to reflect, to renew, to deepen the gift and beauty of their relationship with one another and with God. Sunday, February 14, 2010 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, 305 East 37th Street, Hamilton. Tickets are on sale now – \$95.00 per couple. For tickets please call Blessed Sacrament Parish at 905-385-3570; Sr. Elaine Arsenault at 905-388-3966; or Loretta Gundic at 905-573-7701.

The Permanent Diaconate, A Vocation of Service - The Permanent Diaconate is an ordained ministry of service within the Roman Catholic Church. Men, married or single, ages 31 to 60 years are eligible to apply. It requires a great commitment of time and energy on the part of the candidate and, if married, his family. As with all vocations, the Permanent Diaconate is a call from God for those whom He calls, and for the Church that they are called to serve, it is a great blessing. For further information speak to your parish priest or contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988, ext. 2258; Fax 905-528-1088; E-mail: diaconate@hamiltondiocese.com.

Donations of Shares - In a recent Federal Budget the capital gains tax that would be payable on the sale(s) of any publicly listed company shares will be eliminated if these shares are donated to a registered charity. Parishioners may wish to donate such shares to the Parish as part of their offertory giving, maintenance funds, or to other parish needs. Donations may also be made directly to the Diocese for such needs as the Education of Priests. An income tax receipt for the full value of the shares at the time of donation will be issued. If you wish to donate in this manner please contact the Parish or contact the Business Administration Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. We will arrange the sale of the shares and remit the funds to the Parish and/or specified diocesan program accordingly.

Healing After An Abortion: It Is Possible - Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. At Project Rachel we offer a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

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 4 th	Bishop Gerard Bergie
Tuesday, January 5 th	Father Michael King
Wednesday, January 6 th	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate, CMI
Thursday, January 7 th	Father Audrius Sarka, O.F.M.
Friday, January 8 th	Father Vincent Kim Van Toan
Saturday, January 9 th	Father Charles Jordan

Give Time. Save Lives. - Canadian Blood Services is searching for reliable evening volunteers to help ensure the success of our Burlington Permanent Clinic located at 1250 Brant Street. Volunteers provide refreshments to donors following their donation, distribute milestone awards and ensure donors are feeling well before leaving the clinic. Help lend a hand to this life-saving program. If you are interested in more information on volunteering, please contact Andrea Davies at 1-866-537-7700 ext. 6318 or at andrea.davies@blood.ca. To make an appointment to donate blood call 1-888-2-DONATE (1-888-236-6283).

Youth Ministry NEWS

Please contact Joanne Kanerva, Youth Minister at 905-336-7144 ext. 28; stgabescyo@hotmail.com regarding the following:

The Gabe's Zone Dates for JANUARY 2010:

Friday, January 8th ~ Gabe's Zone ONE/TWO

Friday, January 15th ~ Gabe's Zone ONE

Friday, January 22nd ~ Gabe's Zone TWO

Friday, January 29th ~ Gabe's Zone ONE

Please call Ms. Kanerva for more information about this faith filled youth group experience.

QUILT DRAW for Youth Ministry Needs: Youth Ministry as a not for profit organization whose goal is to meet the needs of youth in our Parish will be hosting a CHRISTMAS QUILT DRAW. These beautiful quilts are on display in the Narthex and tickets are 2\$ or 3 for 5\$ all proceeds go to assisting in youth programming. THANK YOU TO SUSAN SOBOT friend of youth Ministry and Quilter extraordinaire for donating these gorgeous quilts!

Parish Sacramental Preparation Course - First Reconciliation and Eucharistic Preparation Classes resume on January 10th. For information please call Joanne Kanerva @ the parish office.

