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Office Hours
Monday- Closed
Tuesday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Wednesday- 1:30 pm-6:30 pm
Thursday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Friday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday- Closed

Sunday Masses
Saturday- ENGLISH 5:00 pm
Sunday- ENGLISH 11:00 am
POLISH 9:30 am
POLISH 12:30 pm

Weekday Masses
Tuesday- ENGLISH 6:30 pm
Wednesday- POLISH 6:30 pm
Thursday- ENGLISH 9:00 am
Friday- POLISH 6:30 pm

First Fridays of the month- **BILINGUAL** 6:30 pm
(Adoration and Confessions from 5:30-6:30.
First Friday Devotions at 6:30, Holy Mass to follow)
First Saturdays- **BILINGUAL** 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesdays- 5:30 pm - 6:20 pm
Saturdays- 3:45 pm-4:30 pm



New Parishioners
Welcome to our parish community! Parish registration
simplifies the process of receiving sacraments such as
baptism or marriage, obtaining any documents you may
need, and receiving a tax receipt for your contributions.
Registration can be completed at the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism
Those wishing to have their child baptized should register
at the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage
Anyone wishing to marry at our church must contact the
Parish Office one year prior to the wedding.

Funerals
Please contact the funeral home of your choice to make
the arrangements. The funeral home will then contact us.

Pastoral Care of the Sick
If you have a seriously ill family member, friend or a loved
one in hospital, a Catholic priest is available on call 24 hrs
per day. Requests should be addressed to nursing staff.

Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick are also
available to all who are ill or housebound. Please contact
the Parish Office to make arrangements.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 16- 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am LENTEN LAMENTATIONS
9:30 am † Jadwiga Tomera
POLISH
11:00 am † Todd Kirby
ENGLISH
12:30 pm – Za parafian I dobrodziejów
POLISH

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS, MASS TO FOLLOW
ENGLISH – God's blessings for Isabel Hartmann on her birthday

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

6:30 pm † Alicja Kikoska
POLISH † Gacioch Henryk

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 am ††† All Souls in Purgatory
ENGLISH † Betty Holland
– God's blessings for the Nemeth Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

12:00 pm † Michael Klimowski
POLISH

12:30-6:15 pm ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

6:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS, MASS TO FOLLOW
EN / PL † Paweł Socha

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

5:00 pm – For parishioners and benefactors
ENGLISH

SUNDAY, MARCH 23- 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am LENTEN LAMENTATIONS
9:30 am †† Janina i Bolesław Rolecki
POLISH
11:00 am † Zygmunt Ryżowicz
ENGLISH
12:30 pm †† Weronika i Zbigniew Kłakulak
POLISH

OFFERINGS MARCH 8th & 9th

Sunday offerings \$6,220.70
Preauthorized payments \$945.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!



COFFEE & DONUTS
Sunday, March 16th – Served by the SSVP.

BULLETIN PRAYER CORNER

"Heavenly Father, we come before You today to ask for Your healing hand to be upon our friends who are suffering. Grant them comfort, strength, and wisdom. Restore their health with Your loving care. May Your peace, which surpasses all understanding, guard their heart and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen."

Zofia & Józef Potocki, Stanisław Tomera, Mary Elizabeth.

**Would you like to participate in our bulletin prayer corner?
Visit www.saintgabrielchurch.com to fill out a quick form.

FATHER LESZEK SMAKOSZ

During this weekend's Masses, we are honored to welcome Father Leszek Smakosz, a Polish missionary serving in Kazakhstan. On Sunday, Father Leszek will deliver the homily, and after the Masses, we invite everyone to the parish hall for coffee and donuts. It will be a great opportunity to hear about his experiences in the mission field. If anyone would like to support his ministry, they are welcome to speak with Father Leszek after the Masses. Here are a few words he has written about himself:

"My name is Father Leszek Smakosz, and I belong to the Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians). I have been working as a missionary in Kazakhstan for nearly 13 years. In addition to my pastoral work in the parish, I am also responsible for Caritas in our diocese in Astana."

We warmly welcome you to our parish, Father Leszek!

LENTEN RETREAT

Please mark your Calendars! You are invited to attend a Lenten Retreat at our Parish led by Fr. Martin Mironiuk OMI from March 29th until April 1st.
A short message from Fr. Martin:

Dear Parishioners,
My name is Father Martin Mironiuk OMI, and this year, I have the honor of leading our Lenten retreat. The theme of our reflections will be the words spoken by Bartimaeus: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" I have been a priest in the Congregation of Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate for 25 years. Throughout my priestly life, I have been involved in pastoral work within parishes. After my ordination, I worked in Poland for three years before coming to Canada in 2003. I spent my first two years in Melville, SK, learning English. Then, for three years, I served as an associate pastor at St. Maximilian Parish in Mississauga. For the next nine years, I ministered on the Canadian prairies in Saskatchewan, specifically in Sturgis, where I cared for four parishes. After that, I was transferred to the Parish of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Poland, in Edmonton, where I served for four years. Currently, I am serving as an associate pastor at St. Eugene's Parish in Brampton. In my free time, I enjoy sports and gardening, tending to both vegetables and flowers. As I ask for your prayers, I would also like to invite you to join us for the parish retreat from March 29 to April 1 (and no, this is not an April Fool's joke 😊). May God bless us all!

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday from 5:30-6:20 pm
Saturday from 3:45-4:30 pm
On First Friday of the Month from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

The members of St. Gabriel parish family will have the opportunity to "spiritually adopt" a child who is newly conceived this month. Not all newly conceived babies are allowed to be born. In fact, more than 4,000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is these babies you are being asked to "adopt".

You may "adopt" a child individually or as a family by signing up with the Life Team after Masses on March 15th and 16th. You will be asked to name the child for whom you will be praying, thereby giving the baby the humanity he or she deserves. You will be asked to pray for your unborn child and for all unborn children, from the Feast of the Annunciation to Christmas, for the power of prayer is great.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

It is not too late to sign up!
Topic: No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk-Through Christ's Passion.
Dates: Next sessions: March 22nd, 29th and April 5th & 12th.
Location & time: From 10:30 am – 12:00 pm in the basement of the parish office.

You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you and grow closer to Jesus this Lenten season.

The cost is \$40.00 per person for the study set which includes a book and workbook (session overviews, home reading assignments, and study questions). To sign up, please call or email the parish office.

KIDS PALM SUNDAY CONTEST

Palm Sunday marks the start of Holy Week, which leads up to the days of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. It celebrates the day when Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey to great praise and adoration from the people.



All children are invited to participate in a **PALM SUNDAY** contest by bringing in the **biggest or the smallest palm** on April 13th at the 9:30 am or 11:00am Mass. You may use any material you like, keeping in mind

that your palms cannot be drawn or printed. We cannot wait to see your creativity!

PARISH BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT

Renewals for advertisements at the back of our bulletin for the period from April 2025-2026 are now open. We invite any business owners in the parish who would like to support us and advertise in our bulletin to please contact the Parish Office.

GARAGE SALE

Spring is almost here, and what better way to welcome it than with a little spring cleaning! We're excited to invite you to our annual "Garage Sale" at the parish hall on Saturday, April 5th and Sunday, April 6th, 2025. It's the perfect opportunity to find a new home for your unused "treasures" and help support our parish community! Please bring your gently used items to the Parish Center on Friday, April 4, between 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm. (Please note, we are unable to accept large electronics or furniture.) This is always a popular event, and we can't wait to see what treasures you'll be donating! For more information or any questions, feel free to contact Maria at 905-319-3528. Thank you for your support!



ROSARY INTENTION FOR MARCH

For families in crisis
Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FAITH (IN POLISH)

St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish and St. Eugene de Mazenod Parish have invited two publicists from Poland – **Grzegorz Gorny** and **Rafał Porzezinski** – who will give talks on subjects such as: ● the Shroud of Turin in light of scientific study ● Eucharist miracles under a cardiologist's microscope ● Belief vs. Trust ● The war for the word's soul according to John Paul II ● Fatima apparitions – has Russia converted? ● Who is God? ● Who is Man? ● Love and its deadly counterfeits... and much more. The talks will take place from **March 17** to **March 22** after the evening Mass at St. Maximilian Kolbe Church in Mississauga and at St. Eugene de Mazenod Church in Brampton. Details on posters / www.kolbe.ca

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: BIBLE SUMMER SCHOOL HELPERS WANTED!

Are you passionate about making a positive impact in children's lives? Join us as a volunteer for our upcoming Bible School program! We're looking for dedicated individuals who are enthusiastic about working with children and helping them grow in their faith.

As a volunteer, you'll have the opportunity to:
👤 Assist with classroom activities and lessons,
🎨 lead crafts, games, and other interactive sessions,
👂 Mentor and guide children in their spiritual journey,
🍏 Help create a welcoming and nurturing environment.

No prior experience is necessary – just a willingness to learn and a heart for serving others. Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or looking to start your volunteering journey, we welcome you with open arms! Must be 12 years +.

Dates: July 7th -11th, 2025 Location: parish hall.
To sign up please visit the parish website or speak with sister Alice.