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Office Hours

Monday-	Closed
Tuesday-	9:00 am-3:00 pm
Wednesday-	1:30 am-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- BILINGUAL	6:30 pm
<i>(Adoration and Confessions from 5:30-6:30. First Friday Devotions at 6:30, Holy Mass to follow)</i>	
First Saturdays- BILINGUAL	9:00 am

Adoration

Fridays-	5:30 pm-6:25 pm
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tues. & Wed.-	6:00 pm-6:20 pm
Thursdays-	8:30 am-8:50 am
Fridays-	5:30 pm-6:20 pm
Saturdays-	4:00 pm-4:50 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. See our website for more details.

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 hours 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, JANUARY 7

9:30 am + Maria Tomera
POLISH
11:00 am + Arnaldo Antonio Berardocco
ENGLISH
12:30 pm – O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla Zdzisławy
POLISH i Grzegorza Kapelko w 60 rocznicę ślubu

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

6:30 pm – For God’s blessings for Stanisław &
ENGLISH Elizabeth

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

6:30 pm + Janina Cerajewska
POLISH

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

9:00 am +++ All Souls in Purgatory
ENGLISH + Kevin Connolly

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

5:30 pm *ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT / CONFESSIONS*
6:30 pm + Henryk Białkowski
POLISH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

5:00 pm + Raffaele & Giovanna Butera
ENGLISH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

9:30 am – Parafian i dobrodziejów
POLISH
11:00 am + Mirosław Knul
ENGLISH
12:30 pm + Weronika Kilian
POLISH

OFFERINGS DECEMBER 23rd / 24th

Sunday Offerings \$8,683.25
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OFFERINGS DECEMBER 24th / 25th

Sunday Offerings \$12,646.00

OFFERINGS DECEMBER 31st / JANUARY 1st

Sunday Offerings \$9,747.75

Thank you for your support of our parish!

DONUTS

The Mission group will be selling coffee and donuts today.



SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word “Epiphany” means “manifestation.” “The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power.” With these words the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent. The Magi come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus. The gifts they bring foreshadow Jesus’ role in salvation. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus’ kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity, because priests burned incense in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus’ death.



BLESSING OF CHALK ON EPIPHANY

The blessing of chalk on Epiphany is a tradition in which priests bless chalk for each family so that they may bless their homes as a witness of their faith and protection against evil. The formula is simple: take blessed chalk and write the following above the entrance of your home:

20 + C + M + B + 24

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi - Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar - who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase “Christus Mansionem Benedicat”; “May Christ bless this house.” The “+” signs represent the cross, and the “20” at the beginning and the “24” at the end mark the year. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.

Blessed chalk will be available to take with you after each Mass this weekend

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to our parish’s Christmas celebrations, and to helping our parish grow and thrive throughout 2023. We hope that you encountered Christ in your life in a personal way, and that you had a peaceful Christmas.

JASEŁKA- NATIVITY PLAY

We invite all parishioners for our annual nativity play (in Polish) led by our children on Sunday, January 7th, 2024, following the 12:30 pm Mass.

POPE’S ROSARY INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the gift of diversity in the Church
We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

PASTORAL VISITS “PO KOLEDZIE”

In accordance with an old tradition in the Catholic Church, priests visit parishioners' homes and bless them in the weeks following Christmas. This year, Fr. Paul Patrick, Fr. Paul Niesiobędzki and Sr. Alicja will be available to visit parishioners’ homes starting January 7th, 2024. Each week, they will visit a different region based on the schedule provided below. Those interested in a visit are kindly asked to contact the parish office.

Week of January 7th, 2024- Around St. Gabriel’s and North of the 403, i.e., Waterdown, Brant Hills, Mountain Gardens and Orchard etc.

Week of January 14th, 2024- South of the 403, i.e., Port Nelson, La Salle, Glenwood, Aldershot etc.

Week of January 21st, 2024- East and West of Burlington, i.e., Oakville, Milton and Hamilton etc.

MISSION GROUP AND POLISH ROSARY GROUP

The Mission Group and Polish Rosary Group invite all parishioners and their families to share the Christmas wafer and sing carols together on Sunday, January 14th, 2024, after the 12:30 pm Holy Mass at the parish hall. Additional contributions of borscht and coffee are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- SHARE THE WARMTH

Share the Warmth is back for another winter season. From now until March 22nd 2024, the St. Gabriel’s Knights of Columbus are asking for new or gently used hats, gloves, warm socks to help those less fortunate in the community. Drop off donated items in the bin marked “Share the Warmth” located in Narthex. Thank you in advance for your support.

CWL NEWS

The St. Gabriel CWL will have its first meeting of the New Year on Monday, January 15th, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre. All ladies of the parish are most welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Are you between the ages of 18 and 35? Join our St. Gabriel’s Young Adults Group. We meet every second and fourth Thursday of the month in the parish hall for fellowship, learning more about our faith, and prayer. Speak with either Fr. Paul or contact the parish office for more information.

TEEN YOUTH GROUP

Are you a teenager? Join our youth group! We meet every Friday in the parish hall at 7:15 pm (after Mass) for fun, faith discussions, and frequent special events. Speak with either Fr. Paul or contact the parish office for more information.

GRIEF RELIEF

The Hamilton Diocese is offering a new grief program. Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! Our six-week grief program starts January 17 and will be held from 1:30-3:00 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West. You are welcome to join in person or by Zoom. To register go to hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATIONS MASS

A Vocations Mass to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Religious Life, and Consecrated Life will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., with Diocesan Vocation Director Father Mark Morley concelebrating on Tuesday, January 30th at 6:30 p.m. at our parish. Bishop Crosby will give a talk following the Mass. All are welcome! Sponsored by the Serra Club of Halton.

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evening. Held the second and third Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by Zoom. Register for the sessions here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 if you plan to attend in person and for the zoom link if joining online. We look forward to seeing you!

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