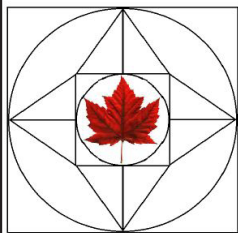


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Office Hours
 Monday- Closed
 Tuesday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
 Wednesday- 1:30 pm-6:30 pm
 Thursday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
 Friday- 9:00 am-3:00 pm
 Saturday & Sunday- Closed

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- 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

Adoration
 Fridays- 5:30 pm-6:25 pm

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 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 2

9:30 am 1) – Za parafian i dobrodziejów
 POLISH 2) †† Cecylia i Lucjan Melcherski
11:00 am † Karen Beeho Morrison
 ENGLISH
12:30 pm † Kazimiera Radon
 POLISH

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

6:30 pm † Helena Moniz
 ENGLISH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5- ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00 am – For parishioners and benefactors
 ENGLISH
12:00 pm † Debby King
 ENGLISH
7:00 pm † Ryszard Laskowski
 PL / EN

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 am ††† All Souls in Purgatory
 ENGLISH †† Maria and Frank Medeiros
 – God’s blessings for Gregory Ulman

FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 7

12:00 pm – O Boże błogosławieństwo dla s. Alicji
 POLISH **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS FOLLOWING MASS**

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

6:30 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS, MASS TO FOLLOW**
 EN / PL **(FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS ON YOUR OWN)**
 – O Boże błogosławieństwo dla członków
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SATURDAY, MARCH 8

5:00 pm † Marusia Sukaylo
 ENGLISH

SUNDAY, MARCH 9- 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am **LENTEN LAMENTATIONS**
9:30 am †† Matylda i Stanisław Kaźmierczak oraz
 POLISH za Zbigniew, Weronika i Adolf Kłakulak
11:00 am – For parishioners and benefactors
 ENGLISH
12:30 pm 1) † Wanda Glinny w 2 rocznica śmierci
 POLISH 2) † Edward Chojnicki

OFFERINGS FEBRUARY 22nd & 23rd

Sunday offerings	\$5,844.30
Building Fund	\$617.00
Preauthorized payments	\$945.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

COFFEE & DONUTS

Sunday, March 2nd – Served by the Polish Rosary Group.



SOUPER SUNDAY

Souper Sunday returns! Please join us after all Sunday Masses on March 2nd. Soup will be available to enjoy in the parish hall or take-out. Freewill offerings appreciated for the needs of the Parish.

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.*

ASH WEDNESDAY

Mass at 9:00 am – Mass with participation of St. Gabriel School

Mass at 12:00 pm – Mass for workers and elderly
Mass at 7:00 pm – Mass in English and Polish
You are welcome to come and celebrate the beginning of Lent with us!

Dear parishioners,

This Wednesday we mark Ash Wednesday – the formal start to Lent in which we place Ashes on our heads as an outward sign of our interior commitment to turn to God.

What is Lent?

First a foremost – a gift from God to each one of us. Lent lasts for 40 days. The number 40 often appears in the Scriptures meaning “an adequate amount”. In this way the Church assures us that we have ‘an adequate amount’ of time to turn to God – no matter where we find ourselves in our faith – no matter if we feel near or far from God – we have enough time during Lent to turn back to Him.

To help us in this turning towards God, we will host many different events within our parish. If you have never participated in one of these events, I encourage you to come and try it out – even if just once during this Lenten season. Please mark your calendars and see you there!

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Join us for a Series on the Mass: A 3-week series over the **1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of Lent** by Fr. Paul Patrick during the homily.

First Sunday of Lent – “Man shall not live by bread alone” – Mt 4:4 – Why did Jesus start the Mass? History and need of the Eucharist

Second Sunday of Lent – “Let us make 3 tents” Mt 17:4 – What actually happens at the Mass?

Third Sunday of Lent – The fig tree – cf Lk 13:1-9 – Why we don’t check IDs at the door – The Mass is open for everyone – our relationship to the Eucharist.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

During Lent, the **Stations of the Cross** will take place on **Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in English – Mass to follow, and on Fridays at 6:30 pm in Polish – Mass to follow.**

This is an ancient prayer in the Church which gained popularity in the Medieval Church between the 12th and 15th century. It consists of a virtual pilgrimage of the Way of the Cross, or the path Jesus took during his Passion and Death. The Franciscans promoted it as a way in which Christians could meditate on the Passion of Christ without having to make the long and dangerous pilgrimage to the Holy Land to walk it in person. Today it is a staple of Catholic Lenten practice across the world. The prayer lasts about 25 min.

WEEKLY ADORATION

Every Friday During Lent following Mass at 12:00 pm until 6:15 pm.

In Adoration, the Consecrated Host is put out on display on the Altar and people gather in silence to pray and let God speak to them. The quote “Be still and know that I am God” cf psalm 46:10 reminds us of its main purpose – to simply sit – and let God speak to your heart in silence.

LENTEN LAMENTATIONS (GORZKIE ŻALE)

Every Sunday morning during Lent at 9:00 am.

This prayer is a beautiful one which meditates in song the Passion of Christ. It was composed in 1707 by Fr. Wawrzyniec Benik in Warsaw. It has stood the test of time and remains a staple of Polish Lenten practice today. It lasts about 20 minutes.

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

LENTEN RETREAT

Please mark your Calendars! You are invited to attend a Lenten Retreat at our Parish from March 29th until April 1st.

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!

JOIN OUR UPCOMING LENTEN BIBLE STUDY!

Topic: No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk-Through Christ’s Passion.

Dates: Five Sessions taking place on March 8th, 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.

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.
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