

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017

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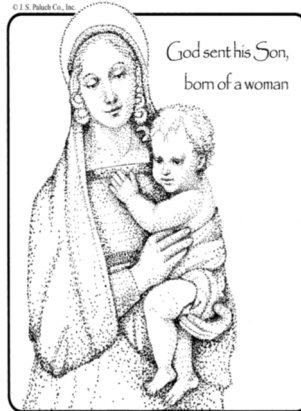
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Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017

Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in her heart.
— Luke 2:19

ST. GABRIEL PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a worshipping, believing, and caring community, St. Gabriel Parish participates in the mission of Jesus Christ, remembered most intensely at Sunday Assembly through proclamation of The Word and the sharing of the Eucharistic Meal. This Community so nourished lives its faith in prayer, education and outreach.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday Vigil Masses: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses: 8:30 AM – Monday through Saturday

Communal Reconciliation Service: every first Saturday at 3:30 pm in the church with individual confession and absolution.

Individual Reconciliation (Confession): By appointment with any priest.

Infant Baptism: Please contact the Parish Center to schedule baptism preparation if needed. Baptism is administered any Sunday at 1:30 pm.

Marriage: Please contact the Parish Center at least six [6] months prior to the proposed wedding date.

First Communion, Sunday School, Adult Education, Anointing of the Sick, R.C.I.A., Confirmation: Please call 415-731-6161. for the proper director.

Welcome New Parishioners! Would you like to register in our parish or join our mailing list?
Please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket, or leave it at the Parish Center Office.

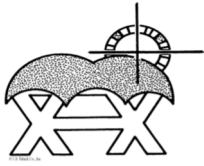
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JANUARY 1, 2017
MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**THE BLESSING
WE RECEIVE**



The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God's loving kindness, the shining glory of God's face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God's own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God's face is shown to us and God's presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness.

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PARISH CENTER HOURS



The Parish Center will be closed today, **Sunday, January 1st and Monday, January 2nd**. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd at 9:00 AM. **Have a Happy and Blessed New Year!**

**WOMEN'S BIBLE
STUDY/PRAYER GROUP**



The next women's bible prayer group meeting will be this **Tuesday, January 3, 2017** at the Parish Center from 12:00 - 1:00 PM. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Bernie at 415-731-6161. All are welcome!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

Baptismal preparation classes are scheduled once a month in the Parish Center at St. Gabriel. Completion of class is required before a baptismal date can be scheduled. The next class will be held on **Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 10:45 AM**. You must register by emailing Luana at secretary@sgparish.org or calling the Parish Center at 415-731-6161.

**YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE
DAY OF RECOLLECTION
Saturday, January 7, 2017**



The Young Ladies Institute will have their Day of Reflection on **Saturday, January 7th** at the Bishop Quinn Parish Center. Registration will be at 9:30 AM (cost is \$10) with Mass at 10:00 AM. Fr. Garcia will be the speaker. Please bring your own brown bag lunch. Coffee and dessert will be supplied.

READINGS, JANUARY 8, 2017
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;
Mt 2:1-12

Happy New Year!

SANDWICH SUNDAY



Today, **January 1st**, is Sandwich Sunday. What better way to start the New Year by helping our less fortunate brothers and sisters in need. Please bring wrapped sandwiches by **no later than 12 Noon**. Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society will be outside church before and after each of the Masses (including the Saturday, 5:00 PM Vigil Mass) to receive your donations. Your generosity is always appreciated. Cash donations are also welcome.

**DIACONATE FORMATION
INFORMATIONL EVENINGS**

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold Informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons. The Program Director, Fr. Michael Sweeney, O.P., and Patricia Jameson, Program Coordinator, will discuss the ministry of the Deacon of the Church, the Formation Program and the application process. Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. However, married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program: therefore, wives are encouraged to attend. Meetings are as follows:

Tuesday, January 10, 2017
Our Lady of Mercy, Daly City

Thursday, January 12, 2017
Saint Anselm Church, San Rafael

Monday, January 17, 2017
Saint Mary Cathedral, San Francisco
All meeting times are from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

For more information, please contact the Diaconate Formation Office at 415-614-5531.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

"Octave" comes from the Latin word for "eight," and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the "eighth day," since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord's Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn't claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.

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ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING UNDERWAY

Screening for Fall 2017 kindergarten class begins on **Thursday, January 5, 2017**. If you are interested in kindergarten for the Fall of 2017 and have not yet taken out/turned in your application, please contact the school as soon as possible after we return from Christmas vacation (January 3, 2017). You can visit us in person, call 415-566-0314, or email sgs@stgabrielsf.com

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

The St. Gabriel School Alumni Association will be holding a board meeting **Wednesday, January 11, 2017**. Alumni interested in learning more about the Association are invited to attend. Please email Alumni Coordinator, Georgia Wasley, at alumni@stgabrielsf.com for more information or to RSVP.



ST. GABRIEL'S FATHER & DAUGHTER DANCE JANUARY 14, 2017

The St. Gabriel Men's Club invites you to the First Annual Father/Daughter Dance on **Saturday, January 14, 2017 from 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM** in Bedford Hall. The dance is open to all parish father/daughters, uncles/nieces, Godfathers/Goddaughters and grandfathers/granddaughters. The cost is \$50 per couple for Men's Club paid members or \$70 per couple for Non-Men's Club members. Each additional child will be \$15. Semi-formal attire requested. We will have a DJ, dancing, heavy appetizers, non-alcoholic beverages and photographs. Cash or check payment accepted at the door the night of the event. Please RSVP by **January 7, 2017** to John Bower at sgmensclubsf@gmail.com with the number of persons attending. Hope to see you there!

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED PERSONAL LOSS?

Have you experienced the death of a loved one? Are you going through a divorce or have you lost your job? St. Gabriel is starting a Grief Support Group every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, beginning on **Thursday, January 12, 2017 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM** in the Parish Center. It will be a time for prayers and support. Please call Sr. Bernadette Hart at 415-731-6161 if you have any questions. No registration required.



NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPE SYSTEM

As a reminder, St. Gabriel has switched to a new bi-monthly offering envelope system. You will now conveniently have your offering envelopes mailed to you at your home every two months. Registered parishioners who regularly use their envelopes should have already received their envelopes for the months of January and February. If you did not receive your envelopes, please call Luana at the Parish Center at 415-731-6161.



FOR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Deanna Aguello, Doreen Aguirre, Clarita Alcalá, Ligaya Alejandrino, Christina Anderson, Rosa Banzon, Pauline Bassi, William Billanes, Austin Bolender, Aparacion Bonpin, Madeleine Bonpin, Pauline Boffi, Marie Britto, Steven Boteilho, Ellen Brown, Irene Casserly, Billfield Cheng, Raphaela Cheng-Chu, Mary B. Chien, Mario Conti, Doris Dampulay, Jerry DeRyan, Greg, Mary & Joanne Donohue, Maria Esain, Dionisio Espulgar, Daniel Fingal-Surma, Fely Estonina Londonio, Mary Ellen Giraud, Donald Glickman, Lottie Gonzales, Purificacion (Nene) Hangad, Patricia Johnson, Angelina Kaprosch, Phil Hons, Brady Kennedy, Lydia Labrado, Rafael Labutan, Shirley Latham, Mary Jae Leigh, Deborah Lennon, Khevan Lennon, Lawrence Madar, Remy Marciales, Melecio Martinez, William McKennett, Joan Miller, Sheila Moynihan, Joey Murdaca, Ann and Catherine Murphy, Helen "Mitsi" Okamoto, Joseph Pallela, Edith Parker, Charlie Paulson, Jake Prado, Jax Radloff, Mary Rasmussen, Joshua Ratliff, Jewell Rice, Marian Ritchie, Bill Robles, Lota Samson, Lee Chuan San, Annie Santos, John Sheriff, Harry Sims, Alfredo Siy, Charlotte Stensvold, Linda Taganap, Alden Tatad, Josefina Tio, Dorothy Tompkins, Dorenda Uy, Isagani Valdeleon, Lloyd Velasquez, Carl Velleno, Chiara Vinzoni, Fr. Joe Walsh, Patricia West, Guy Worth, and Richard Yan.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

January 8, 2017 Religious Education Classes
January 22, 2017 Religious Education Classes
January 29, 2017 Religious Education Classes

FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter One in your Communion book is due on **Tuesday, January 17th**.



CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

The next Confirmation Preparation Session and Youth Mass is today, **January 8th from 3:30 - 6:30 PM**. Please meet in the Multi-purpose Room.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2016

As of December 21, 2016, a total of \$89,801.00 was collected towards our goal of \$106,012.00 for the 2016 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, which still leaves us with a 15% deficit. The \$89,801.00 collected represents donations from 187 donors out of over 1300 registered parishioners. With the understanding that these are difficult times for many, we sincerely thank all of those who contributed so generously.

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 2 - 8, 2017

Mon.	8:30 am	Mr. Consolacion O. Narvaez & Mrs. Gonzalo Narvaez
Tues.	8:30 am	Arlene N. Banquil
Wed.	8:30 am	Seamus Carolan
Thurs.	8:30 am	Ralph Belluomini
Fri.	8:30 am	Seamus Carolan
Sat.	8:30 am	Pierre Ourtiague
	5:00 pm	Seamus Carolan
Sun.	8:00 am	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	Daniel Hicks
	12:00 pm	Pierre Ourtiague
	5:30 pm	Mary Coakley

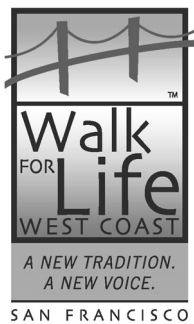
NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

January 7-8, 2017

5:00 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
8:00 AM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
10:00 AM	Fr. Greg Heidenblut
12:00 PM	Fr. Greg Heidenblut
5:30 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton

HOLIDAY PUBLISHING DEADLINE

Due to early transmittal dates for the bulletin, we are unable to print the Offerings from December 24th and 25th. We will have an update for you in next week's bulletin. We thank you for your kindness and generosity!



13TH ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST
Saturday, January 21, 2017
Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco

Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral
9:30 AM

"Silent No More" Awareness

Campaign: 10:45 AM

Info Faire:

11:00 AM

WALK FOR LIFE MAIN EVENT

Rally begins at 12:30 PM and starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street (2 miles). Ends at Justin Herman Plaza/Ferry Building. For more information and to register, call 415-658-1793 or email info@WalkforLifeWC.com or go to www.walkforlifewc.com

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married couples: This New Year resolve to make your marriage the best it can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Marriage encounter Weekend is **March 1-19, 2017** in Mountain View. For more info visit sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 7, 2017

5:00pm **Cherrymae Jumoc**

SUNDAY, January 8, 2017

8:00am **Monica Williams**

10:00am **Susan Ryan**

12:00pm **Nena Velasquez**

5:30pm **Youth Mass**



TODAY, JANUARY 1, 2017 IS WORLD DAY OF PEACE

"May charity and nonviolence govern how we treat each other as individuals, within society and in international life.

When victims of violence are able to resist the temptation to retaliate, they become the most credible promoters of nonviolent peacemaking."

~Message from Pope Francis for the 50th World Day of Peace

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY January 18 - 25, 2017

Reconciliation - *The Love of Christ Compels Us* (2 Corinthians 5:14-20) is the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Begun in 1908, these days have been set aside each year so that Christians the world over may share the prayer of Jesus: "that all may be one...that the world may believe" (John 17:21).

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

PARISH MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

PRAYER GROUP: The prayer group meets every Friday morning from 10 AM to 12 PM in the Quinn Center Chapel.

SODALITY: 1st Sunday of each month, 10:00 AM Mass.

ULLOA SENIORS: Every Wednesday at 1:30 PM in the Quinn Center. Refreshments and Bingo.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets in the Quinn Parish Center each Wednesday after the 8:30 AM Mass.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or in completing initiation (First Eucharist or Confirmation) contact Matt Shea at 731-9918 for more information. Sessions begin in late September.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION: First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima starts after the 8:30 AM Mass. Novena, prayers and rosary followed by Holy Hour and Benediction.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 PM in church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: On all Sundays except the 1st Sunday of the month. Starts in September. For more information, call Nancy Becerra @ 731-6161.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM first Monday of the month in the Quinn Center.

ROSARY: The Rosary is said every weekday after the 8:30 Mass

YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE: (YLI): Meets the third Saturday of each month at 12 Noon for a bag lunch followed by a meeting in the Parish Center.

BIBLE STUDY: Facilitated by Fr. Donald Sharp, Bible Study meets each Friday morning, following Mass