

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2017

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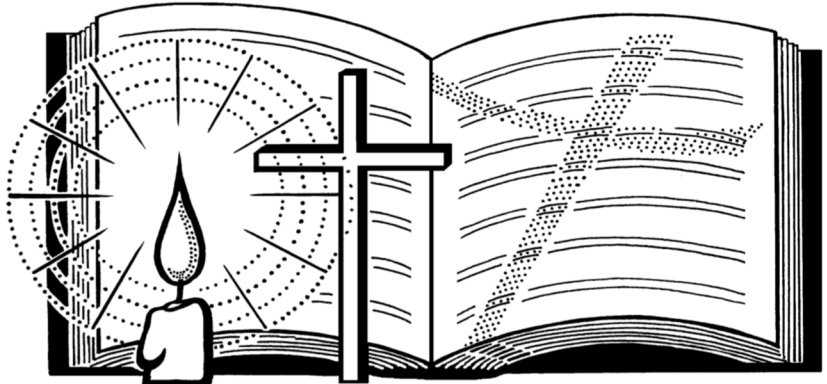
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ST. GABRIEL PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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.

NAME: _____ HOME PHONE: _____ DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

MARCH 12, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION

"We used to be such good friends. How is it that you've moved so far away?" one man asked another. "Perhaps," the other replied,

"you have moved away. By standing still." This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God's will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life's difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering—or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God's will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.

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**PARISH DIRECTORY
TIME IS RUNNING OUT**

St. Gabriel is creating an updated community directory! Our last photography session will be in the week of **March 28th. Everyone who is photographed receives a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a St. Gabriel Community Directory.** We hope to capture all your smiling faces! Please make a photography appointment as soon as possible. Go to www.sgparish.org and click on the appropriate link in the Parish News section. Make your reservation now to get your preferred time! Please contact Luana at the Parish Center with any questions or if you need help making an appointment. If you would like your address or phone number omitted from the new Parish Directory listing, please let us know by April 5th.

**LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE FOR
ST. PATRICK'S DAY, MARCH 17, 2017**

The Feast of St. Patrick is a Solemnity within the Archdiocese of San Francisco (since Patrick is the Principal Co-Patron of the Archdiocese). March 17, 2017 is a Friday. While normally Lenten observance requires abstinence from meat on the Fridays of Lent, canon law includes the exception: "unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday" (Canon 1251); therefore, within the bounds of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the faithful are not required to abstain from meat on March 17, 2017.

**READINGS, MARCH 19, 2017
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;

Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]



**SCHEDULED LENTEN
DEVOTIONS & EVENTS
AT ST. GABRIEL CHURCH**

EVENING MASS

6:00 PM Mass Monday through Friday*
(*Weekday, 8:30 AM Mass Schedule remains the same)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday morning following the 8:30 AM Mass

LENTEN REFLECTION

This year's Lenten reflections will focus on the Last Words of Jesus using the materials by Bishop Robert Barron.

The next session will be on **Tuesday, April 4th** and will be on the second Word—"Amen I say to you today you will be with me in Paradise" Luke 23:43.

There will be a session following the 8:30 AM Mass and another following the 6:00 PM Mass. The evening session will begin around 6:30 PM with a simple soup and salad supper.

Please let the Parish Center know if you are attending the evening session in order for us to prepare enough soup.

Watch the bulletin for more details.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Blessed Sacrament was not reserved in church buildings in the first centuries of the church. In those early years, of course, people met in borrowed "house churches," gathering on the Lord's Day for community, apostolic teaching, the breaking of the bread, and the prayers, as Acts of the Apostles tells us. Dispersed, people went their way into the workaday world until the next assembly. Weighing down their hearts was the absence of brothers and sisters, not only the sick, but those imprisoned for the faith. No wonder they developed a way of extending the food of the Holy Table to them.

Forty years ago, every altar boy in training heard about Saint Tarcisus. He was a twelve-year-old boy at the time of intense persecution in fourth-century Rome. His community had begun to convey the consecrated bread from their Eucharist to those condemned to death or awaiting trial. Normally deacons did this, but on one occasion, it was necessary to send the boy to bear the holy mysteries to the prison. The legend says that he was an athlete, and was detained on the way by some playmates who wanted him to join in their game. When he refused, they demanded to know what he was carrying. The situation went from bad to worse, and he was badly beaten and died of his injuries. A hundred years later, a pope called him a second St. Stephen. In the nineteenth century, Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman of England wrote a novel in which he expanded the story and popularized it. By then, no one seemed to notice that this twelve-year-old was actually touching and ministering the Eucharist, unthinkable until recently. Scholars say the story rings true: the first reason for setting some Eucharistic bread aside was not adoration, but Communion of the sick.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

ST. GABRIEL STUDENTS PLACE IN ACADEMIC DECATHLON

Congratulations to our St. Gabriel Decathletes who placed in the San Francisco Archdiocesan Academic Decathlon: 1st Place to Devin Leung-Science & to Sartaj Rajpal-Math, 3rd Place to Michael Ma-Fine Arts. The additional team members were Noah Gazulla, Matthew Gutierrez, Melissa Gutierrez, Christine Lin, Hannah Lin, Olivia Louie, and Caoimhe Lyons. A very big thank you to their coaches: Donna Bruno, Barbara Cecchin, Ty Debrunner, Lawrence Ellison, Lynn Grier, Mara Hill, Belinda Kensic, Colleen Maniere, Charlene McDonnell, & Bernice Tomegato-Jarrell.

JOG-A-THON SUNDAY

St. Gabriel School's Annual Jog-A-Thon, sponsored by the SG Parent Organization, will take place at the St. Ignatius Track on **Sunday, March 19th**. All are invited to come over and enjoy the day! To sponsor one of our dedicated student runners, spirited teachers or staff, contact Janet Barry, School Clinic (clinic@stgabrielstf.com or 415-566-0314). All proceeds benefit our school. Thank you to all who have so generously sponsored this event in the past.

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL PRESENTS: SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE! JR.

St. Gabriel School presents a Spring Musical: *Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr.* There will be performances on **Thursday, March 30th at 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM**. Tickets are \$10. Children 14 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased at the school during regular office hours or at the door.

READY FOR SPAGHETTI?

The St. Gabriel Parent Organization's Spaghetti Dinner is coming! Get together with family and friends over a delicious spaghetti dinner on **Saturday, April 1st, at 6:00 PM** in Bedford Hall. Dinner, catered by North Beach Pizza-Taraval, will include spaghetti (meat, marinara, pesto and plain butter), salad, bread, dessert, and beverage. **Pre-sale tickets** are \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for school children, 2 & under free. *Maximum per family \$25.00* (that is, parents & children). After presale deadline (to come) tickets will be \$10.00 for adults, \$6.00 for school children, 2 & under free. *Maximum per family \$30.00* (that is, parents & children) To make a reservation, go to sgsparents.com or call the School at 415-566-0314. This is not a fundraising event, rather an affordable get-together for family and friends. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SGPO RAFFLE

Tickets for the annual St. Gabriel Parent Organization Raffle are available for purchase! Tickets are \$25 each with cash prizes of \$2,000, \$500, \$250, and \$100. The drawing will take place at the Spaghetti dinner on **April 1st**. For more information about this year's Raffle, please contact Janet Barry, School Clinic (clinic@stgabrielstf.com or 415-566-0314). Tickets can be purchased at school during regular office hours.

SORE SHINS

Don't break your shin on a stool that is not
in your way.
—Irish proverb



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, Lauren Belluomini, 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 Kaposch, 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, Joshua Ratliff, Jewell Rice, Marian Ritchie, Bill Robles, Lota Samson, Lee Chuan San, Annie Santos, John Sheriff, Harry Sims, Alfredo Siy, Linda Taganap, Alden Tatad, Josefina Tio, Doreenda Uy, Isagani Valdeleon Lloyd Velasquez, Carl Velleno, Chiara Vinzoni, Fr. Joe Walsh, Patricia West, Guy Worth, and Richard Yan.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

March 12, 2017	Religious Education Classes
March 19, 2017	Religious Education Classes
March 26, 2017	Religious Education Classes

FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter Four in your Communion book is due on **Tuesday, March 21st**.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The next Confirmation Preparation Session and Youth Mass is today, **Sunday, March 12th from 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM**. Please meet in the Multi-purpose Room.

CONFIRMATION REQUIRED SERVICE EVENT

All candidates are expected to participate in the Annual Holy Thursday Soup Supper at Bedford Hall. The dates and times are:

Wednesday, April 12th 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Set up
Thursday, April 13th 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Service
Attire: Black pants/white shirt

Permission slips will be sent home today and will be due at the next Confirmation meeting on April 9th.



THANK YOU!

The St. Patrick's Dinner Dance Committee would like to thank all of those who made last Saturday's event a night of "Cead mile failte" indeed. From our generous sponsors, to our many talented St. Gabriel performers, to the best Irish bread bakers this side of Galway, the evening highlighted what is best about St. Gabriel: its open-armed community.

**MASS INTENTIONS
MARCH 13 - 19, 2017**

Mon.	8:30 am	John Sabath
	6:00 pm	Michael Carr
Tues.	8:30 am	Tom Kelly
	6:00 am	Seamus Carolan
Wed.	8:30 am	Glicerio Biscarra
	6:00 pm	Connie Suelen
Thurs.	8:30 am	Robert Edward McLaughlin
	6:00 pm	Jackie Mendoza
Fri.	8:30 am	Pat Sullivan
	6:00 pm	James McCarron
Sat.	8:30 am	Daniel & Margaret Keohane
	5:00 pm	Catherine Dillon
Sun.	8:00 am	Eduardo Banzon
	10:00 am	For the Parishioners
	12:00 pm	Con & Kathleen Hurley
	5:30 pm	Norman Bray




Rest in Peace
MARY RASMUSSEN

**NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS
March 18 - 19, 2017**

5:00 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
8:00 AM	Fr. Michael Konopik
10:00 AM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
12:00 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
5:30 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY March 5, 2017	SAME SUNDAY Last Year
Total from Envelopes	\$9,481.00	\$10,532.00
Loose	\$1,436.18	\$1,263.41
Total Collection	\$10,917.18	\$11,795.41
\$1—\$4.99	9	5
\$5—\$9.99	48	75
\$10—\$19.99	61	68
\$20—\$24.99	44	34
\$25 and over	145	127
No. of envelope Users	307	309
Average Per Envelope	\$30.88	\$34.08

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, March 18, 2017
5:00pm Ed Sullivan

SUNDAY, March 19, 2017
8:00am Patricia Salubayba
10:00am Debbie Montarano
12:00pm Allenda Simpson
5:30pm Alex Petrilli

**MANAGING BEHAVIORS
WITH DEMENTIA PATIENTS**
Saturday, May 6, 2017 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
San Mateo Senior Center
2645 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo

A diagnosis of dementia can be devastating and very few of us are prepared for the challenges. Catholic Charities Aging Support Services Division Director, Patty Clement-Cihak, and Program Manager, Carmen Santoni will cover effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find information and assistance. (This course is not for professional caregivers.) This is a **free presentation** by Catholic Charities Adult Day Services San Mateo County. To register visit www.erecog.com (Course#142033). For help with registration call 650-522-7490. For more info call Catholic Charities at 650-592-9325.

**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 Wednesday of the month. Our next group meeting will be on **Wednesday, March 22, 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. This is a drop-in group - no registration is required.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUP

The next women's bible prayer group meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 21, 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!



"When I said 'Fish on Fridays', Bob, I didn't mean during Lent you skip work on Fridays and go fishing."