

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2016

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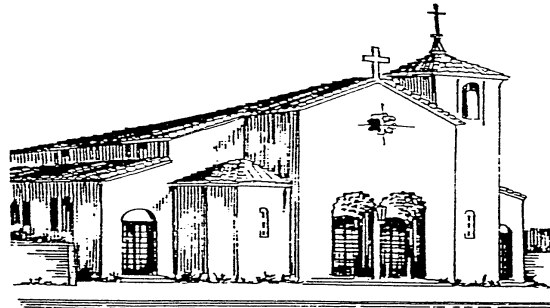
Mr. Rob Grant
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Music Minister [Sun. 10:00 am]

Mr. David Lorentz
Music Minister [Sun. 5:30 pm]

Mrs. Nancy Porter
Wedding Rehearsal Coordinator

THIS IS YOUR PARISH!!!



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: _____

MAY 1, 2016
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE GIFT OF PEACE

Whoever loves me
 will keep



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We are offered another vision in today's second reading, a vision of the New Jerusalem, "coming down out of heaven from God" (Revelation 21:10). Read between the lines describing the radiant city, and we find that the greatest beauty revealed is the beauty of perfect symmetry and order, a city founded on the faith of the twelve tribes of Israel and the

Twelve Apostles, lit only by the glory of God.

The first reading and the Gospel are linked to this idealized description of the New Jerusalem. In both we read of distress and disturbance countered by the gift of peace. "[M]y peace I give to you," Jesus assures his disciples at the Last Supper (John 14:27). In keeping with that gift, the apostles and elders, in the reading from Acts, decide not to disturb the peace of new Gentile believers. The undue burden of circumcision will not be imposed on them.

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**THE ST. GABRIEL 75TH ANNIVERSARY
 JUBILEE CELEBRATION IS COMING!**

Save the date!

- ◆ **September 24, 2016** for dinner, dancing and silent auction.
- ◆ **September 25, 2016** for a special Mass and Reception.

**LIGHTS, CAMERA,
 ANNIVERSARY!!**



The Saint Gabriel Parish Council is compiling a DVD to commemorate the Parish's 75th Anniversary and we need your help!

We are looking for old films, videos, photos, slides and newspaper articles of the Parish - Weddings, Baptisms, First Holy Communions, graduations, Parish celebrations, special events, etc. Please rummage through those boxes in your garage and see what treasures you can uncover. We are looking for the early days of the Parish right up to today. If you have any photos, videos or mementos you would be willing to share, please drop them off at the Parish Center with your name and phone number. Please submit your photos **by TODAY May 1st** to make sure they can be included. We really appreciate it!

READINGS, MAY 8, 2016
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47

Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23;
Lk 24:46-53

**TREASURES FROM
 OUR TRADITION**



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One ancient Roman custom that was approved by the church was the veiling of the bride. When a single woman pledged her life to Christ, in a way of life not dissimilar to today's religious women, the outward sign of this commitment was a veiling. In ancient Rome, a woman with uncovered head was unmarried, and a veiled woman was "off limits to suitors." It was one small step to decide that a bride should receive a veil from the hands of the church as a sign of her new state in life. The prayer that accompanied the veiling was beautiful, and sung, a kind of consecratory prayer that was very similar to the prayer of ordination, or the prayers for blessing holy water or chrism. The "nuptial blessing" originally mentioned only the woman, although we know that the veil was often extended to cover the husband's shoulders also. The blessing was located before the kiss of peace, which the priest gave to the husband, and the husband to his new bride. Remember that this is in the early centuries, long before the kiss of peace virtually disappeared from liturgy.

The veiling and blessing was required when priests or deacons married, was recommended to laypersons, but forbidden for certain public sinners and second marriages. The veiling of the couple was preserved in England until the Reformation, and is returning to practice among Swedish Lutherans after having fallen into disuse about seventy-five years ago.

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

**HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CEMETARY
 FIRST SATURDAY MASS**

First Saturday Mass will be celebrated in All Saints Chapel at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma on Saturday, **May 7th at 11:00 AM**. Fr. Charito Suan, Pastor of St. Elizabeth's Church will be the celebrant. First Saturday Masses are offered for all those interred in our Catholic Cemeteries and a wonderful way to participate in the Year of Mercy.

**MONTHLY BIBLE
 PRAYER GROUP**



The next women's bible prayer group meeting will be this **Tuesday, May 3, 2016** at the Parish Center from 12:00 - 1:00 PM. There will be another session on **Tuesday, May 17, 2016** 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, May 14, 2016 at 10:45 AM in the Parish Center**. Please call 415-731-6161 to sign up or email secretary@sgparish.org.



ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

On **Saturday, May 7th**, St. Gabriel School and Parish students will make their First Holy Communion at an 11:00 AM Mass. Our prayers are with them on this special day.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend, April 30th and May 1st, there will be a collection for Catholic Charities.

This annual second collection asks parishioners to live their faith generously supporting the good work of Catholic Charities, the social services arm of the Catholic Church in our local area. Your contributions directly support programs and services that provide relief for homeless families, frail seniors, immigrants, the working poor, children and youth, and many of our most vulnerable neighbors who are struggling to meet even their most basic needs. Put your faith into action and change a life for the better today by contributing to the Catholic Charities. Together, we are Catholic Charities! There are envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and will help ensure the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about home missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Marriage is a journey! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can help you enrich your marriage and add some pizzazz to your journey. Whether you've been married 1 year or 50, a Marriage Encounter Weekend may be just the thing you need to put a breath of fresh air into your relationship. For more information, go to www.sanfranciscowwme.org or call David and Karen at 650-350-1469. Upcoming weekend dates are May 20-22 (Mountain View); November 11-13 (Vallambrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park). Space is limited, so please apply early.



ALL THE ADVANTAGES

We want to give our children what we didn't have; but let's make sure we give them what we did have: our faith.

—Anonymous



FOR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Joseph T. & June Adams, Deanna Aguello, Clarita Alcala, Christina Anderson, Rosa Banzon, William Billanes, Austin Bolender, Aparacion Bonpin, Madeleine Bonpin, Marie Britto, Mario Conti, Doris Dampulay, Jerry DeRyan, Kathleen Dillon, Greg Donohue, Mary Donohue, Maria Esain, Dionisio Espulgar, 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, Melecio Martinez, William McKennett, Joan Miller, Sheila Moynihan, Joey Murdaca, Ann and Catherine Murphy, Helen "Mitsi" Okamoto, Joseph Pallela, Edith Parker, Charlie Paulson, Jax Radloff, Joshua Ratliff, Jewell Rice, Marian Ritchie, Bill Robles, Lota Samson, Lee Chuan San, John Sheriff, Harry Sims, Alfredo Siy, Charlotte Stensvold, Joseph Sullivan, Alden Tatad, Josefina Tio, Dorothy Tompkins, Lloyd Velasquez, Carl Velleno, Chiara Vinzoni, Fr. Joe Walsh, Patricia West, Guy Worth, and Richard Yan.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

May 15, 2016
May 22, 2016

Religious Education Classes
Religious Education Classes

FIRST COMMUNION

- On **Friday, May 6th**, there will be a Retreat Lunch and practice (children only). Students will need to take a half day off of school to attend. Their day, here, will start at 12:00 PM in the Parish Center for lunch. Practice will take place after lunch. You may pick up your child at 2:30 PM that day. **Please make these arrangements early enough so your child's school is aware of this need.**
- First Communion will be on Saturday, **May 7, 2016 at 11:00 AM** in the Church



CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Gabriel Parish on **Pentecost Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 5:30 PM**. Candidates and their sponsors are asked to report to Bedford Hall no

later than 4:30 PM.

Rehearsal for candidates and sponsors will be on Saturday, **May 14, 2016 at 10:00 AM** in the church.

CATHOLIC SAN FRANCISCO NEWSPAPER

Do you receive the Catholic San Francisco Newspaper? It is free to every registered parishioner. If you do not receive the newspaper and would like to, contact Luana Letele at the Parish Center at 415-731-6161 or email her at secretary@sgparish.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 2 - MAY 8, 2016


Mon.	8:30 am	Henrietta Hurley & Frances Ritchie
Tues.	8:30 am	Daniel Los Banos
Wed.	8:30 am	Michael Sullivan
Thurs.	8:30 am	Kate Cottrell
Fri.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Sat.	8:30 am	Special Intention
	5:00 pm	Paddy Joe Forde
Sun.	8:00 am	Marcelina & Tranquilino Badua
	10:00 am	Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Cervesa
	12:00 pm	James Whyte
	5:30 pm	Matthew Costello

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

May 7 - May 8, 2016

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

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY April 24, 2016	SAME SUNDAY 2015
Total from Envelopes	\$6,495.00	\$6,927.00
Loose	\$1,318.58	\$1,717.81
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$7,813.58</u>	<u>\$8,664.81</u>
\$1—\$4.99	9	N/A
\$5—\$9.99	23	N/A
\$10—\$19.99	56	N/A
\$20—\$24.99	37	N/A
\$25 and over	104	N/A
No. of envelope Users	229	266
Average Per Envelope	\$28.36	\$26.04

ASCENSION



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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Liturgy of the Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated at the Sunday Masses next weekend. Therefore, Thursday, May 5th will not be a Holy Day of Obligation and we will have our regularly scheduled, daily Mass at 8:30 AM.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

5:00pm **Jared Manini**

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2016

8:00am **Diane Lawrence**
10:00am **Nora Kury**
12:00pm **Allenda Simpson**
5:30pm **Kathleen Lorentz**

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.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Meets every second Saturday at the Parish Center 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.

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.

YOUTH GROUP: On the second and fourth Sunday after the 5:30 PM Mass in the Youth Room at Bedford Hall.

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