

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017

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Music Minister [Sun. 5:30 pm]
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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: _____

AUGUST 20, 2017
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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**CALLED TO ACT
 IN GOD'S NAME**

"Let all the nations praise you!" (Psalm 67:4) today's psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a "put up or shut up" challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with "Behold!" (Matthew 15:22) "Behold!" is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus' followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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NEW PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

As of **August 11th**, the Parish Center has new hours on Fridays and Saturdays. The new hours for both days will be from **9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**. Sunday hours will remain the same: 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM and 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM (closed from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM). Please make a note of it.



Saint Gabriel's is now offering Online Giving! Visit our website at www.sgparish.org to begin contributing automatically to our parish. This convenient new system does not require you to contact your bank to sign up or make changes. You can use any

of your checking or savings accounts and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account. You can see reports on your contribution history and generate tax statements at each year's end. Go to www.sgparish.org to get started.

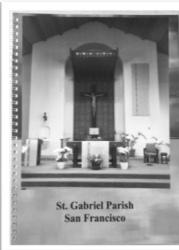
READINGS, AUGUST 27, 2017
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8;
Rom 11:33-36;
Mt 16:13-20



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN
 INITIATION OF ADULTS**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will begin in late September at St. Gabriel Parish. If you (or someone you know) is interested in becoming Catholic; or if you (or someone you know) is Baptized but has not yet been Confirmed or received First Communion, please call Matt Shea and leave the name and phone number of the person so that he may make contact with them and let them know a little bit more about the process.

Now is a good time to talk to your friends and family about joining our Church Community...so start looking around for those you might think may be interested in participating in the RCIA process. They might be waiting for someone to ask them if they've considered joining the Church...that someone could be you! Feel free to call Matt Shea at 415-731-6161 with any questions you or someone you know might have about this program.



**THE NEW ST. GABRIEL
 DIRECTORY IS HERE!**

Our new Parish Directory has arrived! If you were photographed for the Directory, please pick up your complimentary copy at the Parish Center after Sunday Mass or during normal business hours. Thank you for your participation!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Once the way was cleared for additional Eucharistic Prayers, those who were appointed to compose them had to look deep within the tradition for sources. One of the prescriptions for new prayers was that they be "unencumbered by useless repetition." From the start, therefore, the writers knew that the old Roman Canon, which had the priest bowing and crossing himself many times in a long, complex prayer, was not a model of simplicity.

Aside from the prayers treasured by Eastern Christians, there is an obvious model from ancient Rome. For about a hundred years now, the historical text "Apostolic Tradition" has shed some light for us on the shadowy shape of worship in the early church. In it, its author, Hippolytus, took care to record the actual texts of worship used at the time. He himself has a shadow side, since he was so ardently conservative in his tastes that he broke ties with the Bishop of Rome and became first in the line of history's anti-popes. At the eleventh hour, however, he reconciled with his enemies and actually died a martyr. In fact, he was shipped off to the Sardinian mines as a slave with the true pope as his companion in chains. Because his tussle with the pope was over theological innovations and not liturgical texts, we are sure that his account of the style of Eucharistic Prayer in the third century is accurate. It forms the core of today's Eucharistic Prayer II.

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



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ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL INFORMATION

Would you or someone you know like to find out about St. Gabriel School? Our school brochure, newsletter, and other information are available in the school rack in the church vestibule. You can also check out our website at www.stgabrielssf.com or email us at sgs@stgabrielssf.com for more information.

DO YOU RECEIVE GABRIEL'S TRUMPET?

Gabriel's Trumpet, St. Gabriel School's newsletter, is published twice each school year, in October and April and is sent to St. Gabriel parishioners, school families, alumni and friends. If you would like to receive the *Trumpet* or know someone who would, send the name and address to St. Gabriel School, Attn: Development Office, 2550 41st Ave., SF, 94116 or by email at sgs@stgabrielssf.com. Copies are also available in the school rack in the church vestibule.

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN DONATIONS & MATCHING GRANTS

The 2017 United Way Campaign will begin soon. Contributions can be made to St. Gabriel School through the United Way. On your pledge form, simply enter St. Gabriel School, 2550 41st Ave., San Francisco, CA 94116 as an **Individual Agency**. You do not need to provide an agency number. United Way will assign a number to us when contributions are made.

Your employer may also have programs supporting non-profit organizations in which your gifts, including those made through the United Way, **can be matched for St. Gabriel School**. We have non-profit status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. For proof of this status or for more information about matching gifts, contact the School Development Office by mail, phone (415-566-0314) or email (sgs@stgabrielssf.com)

FR. GREG BOYLE, S.J. SPEAKS ON "RADICAL KINSHIP"

Saturday, September 23, 2017 6:00 PM

St. Ignatius Parish, Fromm Hall, 650 Parker Ave., SF
The St. Ignatius Speaker Series welcomes Fr. Greg Boyle, founder of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, speaking on "Shoulder to Shoulder: The Power of Radical Kinship." The dinner and talk are in Fromm Hall, directly behind St. Ignatius Church. To register, purchase dinner tickets, or for more information, visit: stignatiussf.org/event/jesuit-connections

CATHOLIC SAN FRANCISCO NEWSPAPER

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

THE POWER OF PRAYER

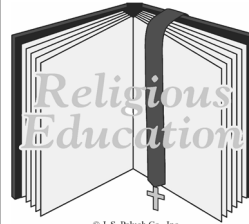
Much prayer, much power!
Little prayer, little power!
No prayer, no power!
—Anonymous



FOR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

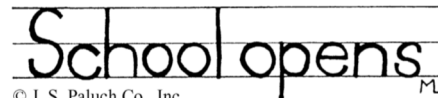
In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Lauren Belluomini, Marie Britto, Billfield Cheng, Raphaela Cheng-Chu, Mary B. Chien, Jerry DeRyan, Donald Glickman, Rafael Labutan, Shirley Latham, Darren Lee, Pat McSharry, Marian Ritchie, and Alfredo Siy.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program makes known to each student the person and message of Christ. It helps each student to know, understand and appreciate the basic teaching of the Catholic Church. It helps each student feel an integral part of St. Gabriel's community and participate actively in the life of the community.

Religious Education classes for children in public schools (grades Pre-K to 8) starts today, **Sunday, August 20, 2017**. For registration information, or general questions, please call Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161.



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August 22nd marks the First Day of School for our St. Gabriel students. Welcome to all new and returning students and faculty. Best wishes for a successful and engaging 2017-2018 year!

Mass Intentions



MASS INTENTION BOOK CLOSED

The St. Gabriel Mass Intention Book for 2017 has been completely filled. The new book will be available for your intentions in mid-October. If you do need a Mass intention, we are fortunate to have Fr. Paul Zirimenya who can offer Masses at St. Benedicts.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

The Friday morning Bible Study Classes with Fr. Donald Sharp, S.J., will resume beginning **Friday, September 1, 2017**. Classes begin after the 8:30 AM morning Mass. (There will be no class on Friday, September 8th.) The Bible Study program is intended to help the faithful have a deeper understanding of the Sacred Scriptures, especially the readings used in our Lectionary for Sundays. Everyone is welcome!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Pius X
Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima
Thursday: St. Bartholomew
Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**MASS INTENTIONS
AUGUST 21 - 27, 2017**

Mon.	8:30 am	Cecilia Vargas (L)
Tues.	8:30 am	Clarence Humphrey
Wed.	8:30 am	Priscilla Oropesa & Tong Gond Jew
Thurs.	8:30 am	Mary Farrell
Fri.	8:30 am	Mary Anne Connolly (L)
Sat.	8:30 am	Lorraine Cunningham (L)
	5:00 pm	Jack & Ella Raven
Sun.	8:00 am	Bernard Shanley
	10:00 am	Brigid Corcoran
	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners
	5:30 pm	Gil Rivera



Rest in Peace


**BERNARD JORDAN
MARY ROSE DONOHUE**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS
August 26 - 27, 2017**

5:00 PM	Fr. John Jimenez
8:00 AM	Fr. John Jimenez
10:00 AM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
12:00 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
5:30 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY Aug. 13, 2017	SAME SUNDAY Last Year
Total from Envelopes	\$6,834.00	\$7,216.00
Loose	\$1,218.59	\$1,229.07
Total Collection	\$8,052.59	\$8,445.07
\$1—\$4.99	3	10
\$5—\$9.99	27	35
\$10—\$19.99	46	50
\$20—\$24.99	41	33
\$25 and over	91	104
No. of envelope Users	208	232
Average Per Envelope	\$32.86	\$31.10

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, August 26, 2017
5:00 pm Brenda Peralta

SUNDAY, August 27, 2017
8:00 am Michael O'Loughlin
10:00 am Linda Clardy
12:00 pm Terry Keyes
5:30 pm Brent Faye

**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 August. 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

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES: Every 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:45 AM in the Parish Center. Registration required. Call the Parish Center to reserve your space.

**MISSIONARY COOPERATION
PLAN APPEAL**

The Somascan Fathers and Brothers continue the legacy of St. Jerome's commitment in serving the poor and taking care of orphans and abandoned youth. This weekend there will be a speaker from the Somascan Fathers who will provide information on their mission. Please prayerfully consider a donation to this worthy cause. There will be envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

A GOOD PRAYER

A good prayer, though often used, is still fresh and fair in the eyes and ears of heaven.

—Thomas Fuller