

# ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

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## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 21, 2016

Strengthen your drooping hands  
and your weak knees.

Make straight paths for your feet,  
that what is lame may not be disjointed  
but healed.

— *Hebrews 12:12-13*

## 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 21, 2016**  
**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**DISCIPLINE**

It is no accident that the words "disciple" and "discipline" are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as "disciplines." We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.

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**75TH ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE**



Tickets for the 75th Anniversary Jubilee dinner dance and auction are now on sale! Order forms available on our website at [sgparish.org](http://sgparish.org) or at the Parish Center during normal business hours.

Your help is needed for the 75th Anniversary Jubilee! The dinner, dance and silent auction will be on **September 24, 2016**. There is a reception on **September 25, 2016** following the 75th Anniversary Mass. Help is needed to set up the hall and decorate on September 23rd. We can use your talents for the silent auction, as well as bartending, serving dinner, and clean up, after both the dinner Saturday, and the reception Sunday. If you are interested in helping, please contact Donna Nathanson by sending an email to [lhndhn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lhndhn@sbcglobal.net). If you would like to contribute to the silent auction, please contact Angela Isola at [armisola@gmail.com](mailto:armisola@gmail.com). If you are looking for ideas for what to donate, just ask! We have a wish list! Thank you for all that you do for our community!

**KEEPSAKE ORNAMENT**

As part of our St. Gabriel 75th Anniversary Jubilee celebration, we have a special keepsake ornament available for purchase. They make a great gift or stocking stuffer! Ornaments are available at the Parish Center during normal business hours for \$15 each.

**READINGS, AUGUST 28, 2016**  
**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68: 4-7, 10-11;**  
**Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a;**  
**Lk 14:1, 7-14**



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will begin again in late September at St. Gabriel Parish. If you (or someone you know) is Baptized but has not yet been Confirmed or received First Communion, please call Matt Shea at 731-6161 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 think might 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 731-6161 with any questions you or someone you know might have about this program.

**VOCATION CROSS PROGRAM**

The Vocations Committee would like to thank **Monica Williams** for being the guardian of the cross for the month of July, 2016. For the month of August, the cross will be in the home of **Maureen McBride** Ms. McBride received the cross at the 8:30 AM Mass on Saturday, August 6th. Each month, we invite a parishioner or a family to receive this special cross, and pray each day the **Prayer for Vocations** that is attached to the cross and we encourage all parishioners to pray for vocations on a regular basis. If you would like to take part in this program, contact Mary Fogarty at 415-681-7286, or email her at: [mary.fogarty@philips.com](mailto:mary.fogarty@philips.com)

**BIBLE STUDY CLASSES**



The Friday morning Bible Study Classes with Fr. Donald Sharp, S.J., will resume beginning **September 9, 2016**. Classes begin directly after the 8:30 AM Mass in the Parish Center. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

**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, September 10, 2016 at 10:45 AM in the Parish Center**. Please call 415-731-6161 to sign up or email: [secretary@sgparish.org](mailto:secretary@sgparish.org).

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tuesday: St. Rose of Lima
- Wednesday: St. Bartholomew
- Thursday: St. Louis of France; St. Joseph Calasanz
- Saturday: St. Monica





## 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.stgabrielsf.com](http://www.stgabrielsf.com) or email us at [sgs@stgabrielsf.com](mailto:sgs@stgabrielsf.com) for more information.

Are you interested in enrolling your child in the 2016-2017 school year? Check the calendar on our school website for the date applications are available and other important information and dates including our Open House and school tours.

### UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN DONATIONS AND MATCHING GRANTS

The 2016 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 United Way, can be matched for St. Gabriel School. We have non-profit status under Section 201 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. For proof of the status or more information about matching gifts, contact the School Development Office by mail, phone (415-566-0314) or email ([sgs@stgabrielsf.com](mailto:sgs@stgabrielsf.com)).

### SUMMER SCRIP SALES

Scrip will be sold in the library on Sundays through today, **August 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 AM to noon**. Scrip is available for various stores including Java Beach, Guerra's Meats, Classic Design, Macy's, and Starbucks. Proceeds from the sales benefit St. Gabriel School. Thank you to all who participate in this program!

### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Saving General Mills "Box Tops for Education" is an easy way to help St. Gabriel School. We receive \$0.10 for each "Box Top" we send in. Box Tops can be left in the "Box Top" box in the church vestibule. Thank you to those who have been saving them. Please keep them coming!

### CAMPBELL'S LABELS FOR EDUCATION

We are still collecting "Campbell's Labels for Education!" Points earned can be redeemed for a variety of school equipment and supplies. Thank you to those who have saved your labels for us. Remember to bring in the entire label and drop them in "Campbell's Labels for Education" box in the church vestibule!



### THANK YOU, ALTAR SERVERS!

We'd like to thank all those dedicated altar servers who made the commitment to serve throughout their very busy summer. Sr. Bernie would especially like to thank those who were most consistent in fulfilling their altar serving duties during the months of June & July: **Mateo Alves, Max Briones, Jake Green, Melissa Gutierrez, Audrey Hermosura, Julian Hermosura, Dylan Lew, Meghan Catan and Jadeyn Palaby, Daniel Panina & Bryce Quintos.**



## 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, Steven Boteilho, Irene Casserly, Mario Conti, Doris Dampulay, Jerry DeRyan, Kathleen Dillon, Greg Donohue, Mary 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, Melecio Martinez, William McKennett, Joan Miller, Sheila Moynihan, Joey Murdaca, Ann and Catherine Murphy, Helen "Mitsi" Okamoto, Joseph Pallela, Edith Parker, Kay Paul, 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, Alden Tatad, Josefina Tio, Dorothy Tompkins, Lloyd Velasquez, Carl Velleno, Chiara Vinzoni, Fr. Joe Walsh, Patricia West, Guy Worth, Richard Yan and especially for Ligaya Alejandrino, Kristin Garcia, Remy Marciales, Jake Prado, Annie Santos, Doreenda Uy and Isagani Valdeleon.

### Back To



### School

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 2016-2017 school year!

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes for children in Public School (grades 1-8) will begin on **Sunday, August 28th**. **The Kinder-Catholic** program for children 4-5 years old runs from September 2016 through April 2017. Classes are from 9:00 AM to 9:55 AM at St. Gabriel School. The cost for each child is \$65.

### CATECHISTS NEEDED

If you are interested in helping children learn about our faith, join the Catechetical Ministry and be a catechist (teacher) of Religious Education. The Office of Religious Education will provide the training to those who wish to join. It's also a great way to obtain service hours. If you are interested or have any questions about the Ministry, feel free to send your email to : [dre@sgparish.org](mailto:dre@sgparish.org) or call Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161.

### CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

The Confirmation Program of St. Gabriel will be enrolling students in the Fall of 2016. Confirmation packets were sent out to those who graduated from St. Gabriel School and the Religious Education program in 2016. The deadline to return these packets is **Thursday, August 25th**. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161

## MASS INTENTIONS

**AUGUST 22-28, 2016**


Mon.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Tues.	8:30 am	Jeanette Fitzgerald
Wed.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Thurs.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Fri.	8:30 am	Aydan Cota
Sat.	8:30 am	Special Intention
	5:00 pm	Paddy McNamara
Sun.	8:00 am	Jim Aguirre
	10:00 am	Mimi Fewer
	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners
	5:30 pm	Clifford Stevenson

### NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS

**August 27 - 28, 2016**

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

### Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY August 14, 2016	SAME SUNDAY 2015
<b>Total from Envelopes</b>	<b>\$7,216.00</b>	<b>\$6,513.00</b>
Loose	\$1,229.07	\$1,128.84
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$8,445.07</u>	<u>\$7,641.84</u>
\$1—\$4.99	10	14
\$5—\$9.99	35	31
\$10—\$19.99	50	62
\$20—\$24.99	33	34
\$25 and over	104	99
No. of envelope Users	232	240
Average Per Envelope	\$31.10	\$27.14

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY, August 27, 2016**  
5:00pm Nora Sotelo-Kury

**SUNDAY, August 28, 2016**  
8:00am Michael O'Laughlin  
10:00am Lindy Clardy  
12:00pm Charles Rinaldi  
5:30pm Terry Keyes

### ST. CECILIA PARISH CENTENNIAL

St. Cecilia will celebrate 100 years in San Francisco in January 2017. We have planned many celebrations over the upcoming year in honor of this milestone, and we welcome former parishioners, alumni and friends from neighboring parishes to join us. Our first event will be Mass on **Sunday, August 28th at 9:30 AM** with Bishop Robert McElroy presiding, to officially open our Centennial Year. Please visit [www.stcecilia100.com](http://www.stcecilia100.com) for information on Centennial events.

### AN AIRPORT ENCOUNTER AND UNEXPECTED GIFT

"The worthy priest is ... the living image of Christ in this world," said St. Jean Eudes (1601-1680). The Archdiocese recently received a letter from Rhode Island and a check for a hundred dollars "as a gift for your diocese." The gentleman who wrote had been traveling in July, and at the airport in Washington DC he fell into conversation with another traveler who was heading home to San Francisco: "His flights had been delayed several times," wrote this stranger, "but his disposition was calm and peaceful. I had a pleasant conversation with him, and I only learned that he was a priest of the San Francisco archdiocese at the very end of our conversation. I did not learn his name. But how blessed we are to have him! I wish to salute him and the Holy Church for his priesthood. God bless you and the young priest I met, and thank you for your service to God." What a welcome reminder, as summer ends, travelers come home, schools open, and we settle back into our routines, of "how blessed we are" every day in the men and women who serve our communities as clergy and religious. Thank you all for your service to God on our behalf.



"He learned about our faith from RCIA? I don't know if my cable company carries that channel yet."