

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28, 2016

You have approached Mount Zion
and the city of the living God.

— *Hebrews 12:22a*

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 28, 2016

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HUMILITY

Have you ever been in a group of people—maybe on a tour, at a social gathering, or at church—and discovered that you have just been talking with a well-known author, corporate CEO, great scholar, or politician? Your first thought is the hope that you didn't say anything to embarrass yourself; but your second thought is how much they seemed like such "regular" folks. What is it that makes people seem so "regular"? Today's readings give us a clue when they stress the importance of humility.

It is so hard for us not to tell the first person who will listen how busy we are, how hard we work, how much money we donate, and how important our job titles are. We think these accolades make a difference to people, and if we don't tell them, how will they ever know? But if our actions demonstrate our values, people will recognize our worth on their own. The words of Jesus show us how much better it is to let someone else recognize our worth than to be embarrassed because someone did not.

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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 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.

If you would like to contribute to the silent auction, please contact Angela Isola at armisola@gmail.com. If you are looking for ideas for what to donate, just ask! We have a wish list!

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.

COMMEMORATIVE CD

A commemorative CD for St. Gabriel's 75th Anniversary, *A Diamond in the Dunes*, is now available for pre-order for \$15. The CD features over 700 images and includes music by the St. Gabriel music ministers. The images cover the 75 year history of the parish, with artifacts from each decade. Combine the CD with the keepsake ornament for a wonderful gift! See bulletin insert for info.

READINGS, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;

Phlm 9-10, 12-17;

Lk 14:25-33



St. Vincent de Paul
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SANDWICH SUNDAY

Next **Sunday, September 4th** is Sandwich Sunday. Please bring wrapped sandwiches for the needy by **no later than 12 Noon**. Members of the 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.



RCIA

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.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Perhaps the most familiar traditional symbol that identifies bishops is the crozier that they carry. We see the shepherd's staff and immediately rich images from scripture come to mind, as well as the recollection that the first to respond to Christ's presence in our world were the shepherds. The staff is more than a walking stick; its crooked top is useful in snaring errant sheep but also in keeping the flock united. Bishops carry the curve outward, indicating their ministry to the wider flock, while abbots (and some abbesses, too) carry the crozier with the curve pointing in, indicating that their ministry is to the monastery alone.

The crozier was once also carried by the pope, but was phased out centuries ago. You may recall that in pre-"popemobile" days, the pope was often carried around on a portable throne called a *sedes gestatoria*. Since he didn't do much walking, the need for a crozier was minimal. Pope Paul VI introduced the innovation of a walking staff in the 1960s, and everyone remembers Pope John Paul II's walking staff, not a crook, but a delicately sculptured crucifix. Thus, the pope carries a "pastoral staff" rather than a crozier. Precisely because the pope's ministry is universal, to the whole world, popes will likely leave croziers in the hands of the bishops they commission for care of specific flocks.

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

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!



ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION!

School resumed Monday, August 22nd. We thank all of our parishioners who have supported us throughout the summer by purchasing scrip and bringing in Box Tops for Education and Campbell's labels. We are grateful for your continued support. Scrip continues to be sold in the school Clinic during the school day and is available for various stores including Guerra's Meats, Macy's, Safeway, Starbucks, and Target. Thank you to all who participate in this program!

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES AND STAFF

With school back in full session, the St. Gabriel Community is delighted to welcome both our returning students/families as well as the many new students/families joining our community. Also, joining the staff this year is Kelly Banks, Preschool Director, and Dina Moffat, Teacher Aide. We look forward to a wonderful year!

RACIAL NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

St. Gabriel School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. St. Gabriel School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin, age, gender or disability in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

ST GABRIEL SCHOOL INFORMATION

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

Are you interested in enrolling your child in the 2017-18 school year? Check the Tour page on our school website for the date applications are available and other important information including dates of our Open House and school tours.



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ST. GABRIEL ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th

This year's parish picnic will be on **Sunday, September 18th** at Sigmund Stern Grove Park (near the east side of Pine Lake) from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Barbecue will be included. Please bring your own drinks and side dishes. There will be a Rock Wall, Archery, a Slack Line, Disc golf and other activities for a

fun-filled day. Adult tickets are \$7 and children's tickets are \$3. The Saint Gabriel Men's Club will be selling tickets after the morning and afternoon Masses on **Sunday, August 28th, September 4th and September 11th**. You may also purchase them through the school during regular school hours. If you have any questions, please call Dominic Panina at 415-860-6142. Hope to see you all there!



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, Ligaya Alejandrino, 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 Giraudo, 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, Kay Paul, 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, Charlotte Stensvold, Alden Tatad, Josefina Tio, Dorothy Tompkins, Doreenda Uy, Isagani Valdeleon Lloyd Velasquez, Carl Velleno, Chiara Vinzoni, Fr. Joe Walsh, Patricia West, Guy Worth, and Richard Yan.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes for children in Public School (grades 1-8) will begin today, **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 or call Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161.

CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

There will be a Parent and Candidate Orientation on **Thursday, September 1, 2016 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM** in the Multi-Purpose Room. Students and at least one parent/guardian must attend.

On Sunday, **September 11, 2016, from 3:30 - 6:30 PM** there will be a Confirmation Preparation Session in the Multi-Purpose Room and a Youth Mass in the Church. Please contact Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161 if you have any questions.

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SEPTEMBER 3, 2016

We will have communal reconciliation in the Church on **Saturday, September 3rd at 3:30 PM** with individual confession and absolution.

MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

Mon.	8:30 am	Mary Greene
Tues.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Wed.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Thurs.	8:30 am	Patsy Spiers
Fri.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Sat.	8:30 am	Special Intention
	5:00 pm	Mark O'Dell
Sun.	8:00 am	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	The Ladies Sodality
	12:00 pm	Stella Canata
	5:30 pm	Martin Gaffney, Sr.




REST IN PEACE KRISTINE GARCIA

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS September 3-4, 2016

5:00 PM	TBA
8:00 AM	TBA
10:00 AM	TBA
12:00 PM	TBA
5:30 PM	TBA

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY August 21, 2016	SAME SUNDAY 2015
Total from Envelopes	\$6,145.00	\$6,600.00
Loose	\$1,123.04	\$1,197.33
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$7,268.04</u>	<u>\$7,797.33</u>
\$1—\$4.99	8	11
\$5—\$9.99	33	25
\$10—\$19.99	59	52
\$20—\$24.99	36	41
\$25 and over	100	104
No. of envelope Users	236	233
Average Per Envelope	\$26.04	\$28.33

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, September 3, 2016
5:00pm Diane Lawrence

SUNDAY, September 4, 2016
8:00am Sondra Banzon
10:00am Vincent Garcia
12:00pm Elizabeth Murphy
5:30pm Alex Petrilli



SAN FRANCISCO ARCHDIOCESAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR

September is recruitment month for the San Francisco Archdiocesan Children's Choir. The choir is free of charge and open by audition to any boys or girls in grades 3 through 8. Prior experience is not necessary. Rehearsals will be on Tuesdays from 4:30 - 6:00 PM at the cathedral, where the choir also sings about twice a month for Masses and various special events. During their time in the choir, members learn about correct vocal production, sight singing, Christian character, and responsibility. You can find out more by visiting www.sfchoirschool.org. For more information or to set up an audition, please call Dr. Christoph Tietze at 415-567-2020 ext. 213 or send an email to tietze@stmarycathedralsf.org.

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY MONTHLY SPEAKER SERIES

"Mercy in the Eucharistic Liturgy" (the Mass) will be the topic of a talk given by **Msgr. Harry Schlitt** on **Saturday, September 17th from 10:30 AM - 12 Noon** at St. Mary's Cathedral of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St in the Event Center. The presentation is open to the public and free of charge. The chaplet of Divine Mercy begins at 10:15 AM, also in the Event Center. For more information, please contact Fr. Patrick Driscoll at 415-567-2020, ext. 208 or frdriscoll@stmarycathedralsf.org.



"I'm glad we got down on our knees today, Pastor Al. I found 27 cents that bounced out of the collection."