

# ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2017**

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



### CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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### COMING TOGETHER TO SHARE OUR TIME AND TALENTS

Our *Coming Together To Share Our Time and Talents* Commitment Sunday is this weekend at all Masses. We encourage all parishioners to complete and turn in your commitment cards to the church. The Commitment Card contains information on how to plan your increased offertory gift to the church, and asks for your commitment over the next year. If you have any questions regarding this program, or how to give electronically, please contact the parish office.



### SODALITY NEWS

The Ladies Sodality of the Miraculous Medal will kick off their 76th year at the 10:00 AM Mass on **October 1st**. The meeting shall follow in the Parish Center. Please come join us as we plan a year of working with other women

in the parish to serve our St. Gabriel Church. Friends and family are always welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Moyra at 415-255-7191 or Barbra at 415-731-9947.

### ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

This year's Parish Picnic will be on **Sunday, October 1st** at Sigmund Stern Grove Park (near the east end of Pine Lake) from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids. You can pay at the park upon arrival. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and water will be provided. Fun and games for the whole family! Any questions? Please call Dominic Panina at 415-860-6143 or email [bfife571@yahoo.com](mailto:bfife571@yahoo.com)

### READINGS, OCTOBER 1, 2017

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9;**

**Phil 2:1-11 [1-5];**

**Mt 21:28-32**



St.  
**GABRIEL**

September 29th is the Feast of the Archangels—the Patronal Feast of our parish. In honor of the Archangel Gabriel, we offer this prayer for our parishioners :

*O Blessed Archangel Gabriel,  
intercede for us with Christ our Savior.*

*You announced His coming in the flesh,  
with great joy you heralded the Incarnation.*

*Pray the Lord Jesus hear our prayer,  
make of us a Holy People,  
that justice might reign, and God's peace  
might prevail always.*

*May we also announce the Christ who is always  
among us, for He is Our Savior and Lord  
forever and ever!*

**AMEN!**

### SANDWICH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

Next week, **October 1st**, is Sandwich Sunday. Please bring wrapped sandwiches for the needy by no later than **12 Noon**. Members of 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. Thank you for donating to this worthy cause. Cash donations will gladly be accepted, as well.



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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Along with the reform of the Roman Canon and the redrafting of an ancient Roman prayer in Eucharistic Prayer II, two additional prayers were announced in 1969. Eucharistic Prayer III is a fresh composition. Like Eucharistic Prayer II, it has no preface of its own, but the presider chooses from a long menu of possible prefaces to become part of the prayer on a particular occasion. Also, like Eucharistic Prayer II it has a way to insert the name of the deceased in Masses for the dead such as funerals and memorials. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* views Eucharistic Prayer III as the best substitute for Eucharistic Prayer I on Sundays and feasts.

In practice, this prayer is used very often at Sunday Mass, and its texts are familiar to all members of the assembly. In this prayer, notice that the priest extends his hands over the gifts and calls down the Holy Spirit to change them into the Body and Blood of Christ. This call of the Holy Spirit is called the *epiclesis*, and Eastern Christians consider it to be the consecration. Latin Christians have long considered the "institution narrative" to be the consecration. Partly in response to a deep sensitivity to the East, the reformers took care to structure all our new prayers with a strong *epiclesis*. The poetry and images of Eucharistic Prayer III are fruitful sources of meditation. Why not take a sentence or two into your private prayer?

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



## ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

### KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE/APPLICATIONS FOR 2018-2019

Excellence in Education. St. Gabriel School will be holding an Open House on **Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** for parents of students interested in enrolling their child in the Fall of 2018. School tours will take place at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM. No reservations are required. For further information, call Caitlin Connolly at 415-731-6161 ext.15 or visit our website at [www.stgabrielsf.com](http://www.stgabrielsf.com). **Please spread the word; our students and families are our best advertisement.** Information about the school is also available in the school rack in the church vestibule.

Applications for St. Gabriel School's 2018-19 school year will be available beginning **October 4<sup>th</sup>** and can be picked up at the front office. Families with children already enrolled at SG and have incoming kindergarten siblings are highly encouraged to pick up an application as soon as possible.



### ST. GABRIEL'S ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIRE

**Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM** in Bedford Hall. Enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet of dishes from around the world at an event that's fun for the whole family. Prices are \$15 prepay, \$20 at the door for adults, \$8 for students/kids, under age 4 is free. Beverages \$1. Information on purchasing tickets forthcoming.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) begins September 24<sup>th</sup> at St. Gabriel Parish, but it's not too late to sign up. 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.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian  
 Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul  
 Thursday: St. Wenceslaus;  
 St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions  
 Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,  
 Archangels;  
 Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement)  
 begins at sunset  
 Saturday: St. Jerome



## 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, Erlinda Ronan, and Alfredo Siy.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes have begun for Religious Education for children in public school (Pre-K through 8th grade). We are still accepting registration throughout September. Please contact Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161 for more info.

September 24, 2017	Religious Education Classes
October 15, 2017	Religious Education Classes
October 22, 2017	Religious Education Classes
October 29, 2017	Religious Education Classes

### FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter Two in your First Penance Book is due on **Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

If you would like your child (your young adult, 9th grade and up) to be confirmed this coming **May 13, 2018**, please contact our Youth Minister, David Lorentz, at:

**[youthminister@sgparish.org](mailto:youthminister@sgparish.org)**

Classes meet in the Multi-purpose from 3:45 - 5:00 PM followed by attendance at the 5:30 PM Mass. The next class is today, **Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**.

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUP

The next Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group will be on **Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** at the Parish Center. This group meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month and is facilitated by Sr. Bernadette Hart. This is a drop-in study group and all are welcome! Please call Sr. Bernie at 415-731-6161 if you have any questions.



### ONLINE GIVING AT ST. GABRIEL

Saint Gabriel's is now offering Online Giving! 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. **Online Giving is not meant to replace the traditional Sunday envelope; it is meant to provide an alternative option.** Many parishioners would rather have the option of giving without writing a check or remembering to bring the check and envelope each week. If you are still using your envelopes, there will also be an option on the envelope marked "I gave On-line". Go to [www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org) to get

**MASS INTENTIONS  
SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 1, 2017**

Mon.	8:30 am	Peggy Kelly
Tues.	8:30 am	Tom Reardon
Wed.	8:30 am	Bernardo Da Silva
Thurs.	8:30 am	Peggy O'Sullivan
Fri.	8:30 am	Jerry Murphy
Sat.	8:30 am	Peggy Sullivan
	5:00 pm	Ann O'Leary
Sun.	8:00 am	Pierre Ourtiague
	10:00 am	Annie Teresa Roonan
		From the Ladies Sodality
	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners
	5:30 pm	Segundo Jacinto




*Rest in Peace*  
**LOIS MAHER**

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

**NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS  
September 30 - October 1, 2017**

<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr. Tom Hamilton</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr. John Jimenez</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Fr. Tom Hamilton</b>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Fr. Tom Hamilton</b>
<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Fr. John Jimenez</b>

**Your Envelope Counts!**

	<b>Sunday Sept. 17, 2017</b>	<b>Same Sunday Last Year</b>
<b>Envelope Total</b>	<b>\$6,389.00</b>	<b>\$7,717.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$1,563.07</b>	<b>\$1,279.05</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>\$593.00</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8,545.07</b>	<b>\$8,996.05</b>

**PRIEST RETIREMENT COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generous donation to the Priest's Retirement Collection! St. Gabriel parishioners donated \$2,827.52 to help our retired priests live with dignity and the quality of care that they deserve. Thank you!

**HORRIFIED**

People in general are equally horrified at hearing the Christian religion doubted and at seeing it practiced.

—Samuel Butler

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY, September 30, 2017**  
**5:00 pm**                      **Cherrymae Jumoc**

**SUNDAY, October 1, 2017**  
**8:00 am**                      **Kathryn Kozuch**  
**10:00 am**                    **Nora Kury**  
**12:00 pm**                    **Nena Velasquez**  
**5:30 pm**                      **Jared Manini**

**BAPTISM**

Let us welcome into our parish family  
**Leah Fitzpatrick**  
Who was baptized last week.

**GRIEF GROUP AT ST. GABRIEL**

Come and learn about grief in a safe environment. This is an 8-week drop-in course beginning **Thursday, October 5th**. All sessions are from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM in the Parish Center. Come to one session, two sessions, any session or all sessions. No registration is required. No cost and all are welcome. Please contact Sr. Bernadette Hart at 415-731-6161 ext. 22 if you would like more information.

Schedule

- Oct. 5 - Introduction to Process of Grief**
- Oct. 9 - Characteristics of Grieving**
- Oct. 19 - Factors Influencing Grief**
- Oct. 23 - Social Effects of Grief**
- Nov. 2 - Spiritual Effects of Grief**
- Nov. 6 - Allowing the Grief Process**
- Nov. 16 - The Holidays and Grief**
- Nov. 20 - Summary of Ideas and Ritual**

There is also an opportunity to have these sessions during the evening, provided at least 4 people sign up. If you are interested in an evening session, contact Sr. Bernie at the number above.

**SAFETY REMINDER!**



This is a public safety reminder for those who drive on Taraval. Please remember to stop behind the L Taraval Bus when it stops. It's the law! And for L riders, please look for cars before you step down off the L, or cross the street to board. Let's all be safe on Taraval!

**PLEASE PICK UP YOUR DIRECTORY**

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. **Please pick up your directory by October 8th.**