

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016

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Your
faith
has
saved
you



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 9, 2016

If we have died with [Christ Jesus]
we shall also live with him;
if we persevere
we shall also reign with him.
— 2 Timothy 2:11-12a

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: _____

OCTOBER 9, 2016

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends,

I ask for your prayers today. I have been diagnosed with macular degeneration - a condition of organic weakening in the eye. I have begun a series of treatments which hopefully will stabilize the condition.

It is my hope that I will be able to retain sufficiently good health to be of service to our St. Gabriel community for a long time to come.

Please pray for me and the medical professionals who are working to address this situation

In the Lord Jesus,

Father Tom

Thank You

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WE ARE GRATEFUL!

To all who helped organize the events connected with last week's celebration of welcome for Archbishop Cordileone's pastoral visit. Everything was wonderful! May God continue to bless our parish and the local church of San Francisco.

Blessings,

Father Tom



**PARISH CENTER CLOSED
OCTOBER 10, 2016**

The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, October 10th in observance of the Columbus Day holiday.



**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, November 12, 2016 at 10:45 AM in the Parish Center**. Please call 415-731-6161 to sign up or email: secretary@sgparish.org.

READINGS, OCTOBER 16, 2016

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8;

2 Tm 3:14 — 4:2;

Lk 18:1-8



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) has begun at St. Gabriel Parish but it is not too late to join! 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 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.

**REFLECTIONS ON THE
JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops offers Moments of Mercy and Meditations on Mercy as suggestions for how we can work mercy into our everyday lives. The following passages are offered for October.

Throughout this past Year of Mercy, we have journeyed to a deeper self-awareness of God's mercy acting in our lives and the way in which our actions demonstrate God's love to others. While we may not have always acted with mercy, we are continually being found by God and drawn back into his loving mercy. Even if we stray far from God, we can always come back, because God is eternally offering his love, mercy, and compassion to us. Like the lost son who realizes that his father will have mercy on him if he returns, it may take us a while to open our hearts enough to recognize where God is offering his mercy to us. Nevertheless, that offer of mercy is always there, and God rejoices when we find our way back to him.

Reflection Questions

1. Do you take time to celebrate and rejoice in your relationship with God? Why do you think it is important to include this sense of joy in your Christian life? What does your family or parish community do to celebrate and acknowledge the mercy and love God has for those who return to their faith?
2. Think back to a time when you were lost or when you lost something. How did it feel when you made your way back to a place you knew or found what you were looking for? Can you imagine God's response to your return to him or an opening of your heart more to receive his mercy? What would he say to you? How would you rejoice with him?

A Moment of Mercy

Share your faith with someone else. This is somewhat intimidating, but it can be done in a variety of ways since all of our words, actions, and lives should reflect the joy of God's great gift of mercy and love. Even something as simple as stating that you are a Christian can help someone recognize the connection between your actions of compassion and your faith in Jesus Christ.



ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL TOUR

Excellence in Education: Interested in enrolling your child at St. Gabriel in the Fall 2017? Learn about our school by taking a tour! See classes, computer lab, Science Discovery Center, kindergarten enrichment program, extended care facilities and more. Our next school tour is **Thursday, October 20th at 8:30 AM**. Reservations are required and can be made by emailing the school at sgs@stgabrielsf.com or calling 415-566-0314. Information about St. Gabriel School is also available in the School Rack in the Church vestibule, on our website at www.stgabrielsf.com, or by emailing or calling the school.

JOG-A-THON SUNDAY

St. Gabriel School's Annual Jog-A-Thon, sponsored by the S. G. Parent Organization, will take place at the St. Ignatius Track on **Sunday, October 16th**. All are invited to come over and enjoy the day! To sponsor one of our dedicated student runners, spirited teachers or staff, call Janet Barry at the school at 415-566-0314. All proceeds benefit our school. Thank you to all who have so generously sponsored this event in the past.

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING

The St. Gabriel Scholastic Book Fair is coming! The fair will be open **Sunday, November 6th through Thursday, November 10th**. The fair features award winning books, educational products, software and adult NY Times best sellers. Stay tuned for more information or check the SGPO website at sgsparents.com.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the school parents who donated baked goods and refreshments for the lovely reception we had to welcome Archbishop Cordileone this past Sunday! A special thank you for the support of Devil's Teeth bakery and Mazzetti's Bakery, for their delicious donations!

THE 2016 CLERICUS BASKETBALL GAME



**PRIESTS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE
VS.
ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARIANS**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2016 7:00 PM
ARCHBISHOP RIORDAN HIGH SCHOOL
175 PHELAN AVE., SAN FRANCISCO**

Fun for the whole family! General admission \$10, Students \$5. Limited number of tickets are available at the Parish Center or get them online at SFArch.org/basketball. Parking will be available in the City College parking lot for \$3.

CASTING LIGHT

There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.

—Edith Wharton



FOR SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Deanna Aguello, Doreen Aguirre, Clarita Alcalá, Ligaya Alejandrino, Christina Anderson, Rosa Banzon, Pauline Bassi, William Billanes, Austin Bolender, Aparacion Bonpin, Madeleine Bonpin, Pauline Boffi, Marie Britto, Steven Boteilho, Ellen Brown, Irene Casserly, Billfield Cheng, Raphaela Cheng-Chu, Mary B. Chien, 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 Kaposch, 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, 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, Linda Taganap, 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

October 16, 2016 Religious Education Classes
October 23, 2016 Religious Education Classes
October 30, 2016 Religious Education Classes

FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter Two in your Reconciliation book is due on **Tuesday, October 11th**.

CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Our next Confirmation Preparation Session will be on **Sunday, October 16th** from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM at an Archdiocese of San Francisco Youth Mass, reception with Year of Mercy service project at Our Lady of Mercy Church, 1 Elmwood Dr., Daly City. This is a required event for all confirmation candidates.

ST. GABRIEL MASS INTENTION BOOK

The Mass Book for 2016 will be opened on **Wednesday, October 19th** when the Parish Center opens at 9:00 AM. In fairness to all, requests for Masses will be limited to four per individual so everyone will have an equal opportunity to have Masses said on their special anniversary dates. We do realize how important these dates are so be sure to come in or call during that first week. The Mass Book will be open during regular business hours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. If you are homebound or can not come during those hours, please call the Parish Secretary at 415-731-6161 and she'll be able to assist you over the phone or you can email Luana at secretary@sgparish.org. Also, there are still unassigned Masses for 2016 which you may request.


MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 10 - 16, 2016

Mon.	8:30 am	Virginia Ellison
Tues.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Wed.	8:30 am	Mabel Walcott
Thurs.	8:30 am	Catherine Paul
Fri.	8:30 am	Special Intention
Sat.	8:30 am	Special Intention
	5:00 pm	James Loeffler
Sun.	8:00 am	Luiz & Elsa Marcal
	10:00 am	Seamus Carolan (L)
	12:00 pm	Joseph & Evelyn Giamtaoli
	5:30 pm	For the Parishioners

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS October 15-16, 2016

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

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY Oct. 2, 2016	SAME SUNDAY 2015
Total from Envelopes	\$8,409.00	\$8,280.00
Loose	\$1,239.61	\$1,654.99
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$9,648.61</u>	<u>\$9,934.99</u>
\$1—\$4.99	10	16
\$5—\$9.99	32	40
\$10—\$19.99	46	56
\$20—\$24.99	48	52
\$25 and over	122	126
No. of envelope Users	258	290
Average Per Envelope	\$32.59	\$28.55

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 15, 2016
5:00pm Charles Rinaldi

SUNDAY, October 16, 2016
8:00am Linda Clardy
10:00am Vincent Garcia
12:00pm Diane Lawrence
5:30pm Nora Kury

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

A big THANK YOU from the St. Gabriel SVDP Conference to our generous parishioners who supported our SVDP Friends of the Poor Walk on Saturday, September 24th. Once again, you came through and with your generosity we raised over \$1,200.00 for our brothers and sisters needing assistance in our community. Thank you for supporting our special events, such as this walk, and your ongoing support for our Sandwich Sunday program that allows us to be your hands reaching out to our neighbors in need.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Getting ready for school means lots of time spent on your children. After school begins, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is **November 11-13, 2016** at Vallambrosa Center, Menlo Park. For more information visit our website at: sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

UPDATE

We received a call from the daughter of the woman who passed out at the 75th Anniversary Mass. The family wanted to let the parish know that she is fine and would like to thank all who helped. It was probably caused by a change in medication, the heat and dehydration, but she is doing fine. Thank you for your prayers.



"O Lord, bless these wondrous animals, and quickly, please... before one of our pets starts saying grace."