

ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

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Pray always

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 16, 2016

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains;
whence shall help come to me?
My help is from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.
— *Psalm 121:1-2*

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.

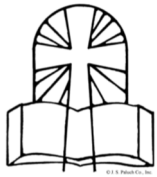
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OCTOBER 16, 2016

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



DEPENDING ON GOD

"Getting by with a little help from our friends" is not an idea that began with the Beatles. Certainly the idea of "getting by with a little help from God" goes back at least to the first reading today from Exodus. How we get that help, however, is the

key to this weekend's scriptures.

No matter how inadequate Moses felt to the task God had given him, he persevered—even though he needed help from the people around him. The Israelites especially depended on God for freedom. The woman in the Gospel, desperate and destitute, had no one to depend on, but still she would not give up. She could not afford to bribe the unscrupulous judge, but she pestered him into weariness until finally he met her demands.

We sometimes need to turn to others to help us through difficult times; but if we always turn to God, we won't be disappointed, for our help, the psalm assures us, is from the Lord.

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THE 2016 CLERICUS BASKETBALL GAME



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

**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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUP

The next women's bible prayer group meeting will be this **Tuesday, October 18, 2016** at the Parish Center from 12:00 - 1:00 PM. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Bernie at 415-731-6161. All are welcome!

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 23, 2016 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34;
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18;
Lk 18:9-14**



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, **Oct. 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

Today is St. Gabriel School's 35th Annual Jog-A-Thon, sponsored by the S. G. Parent Organization, at the St. Ignatius Track. All are invited to come over and enjoy the day! **There is still time to be a sponsor, including sponsoring one of our faculty and staff!** Just send in your donation to the school as soon as possible. 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 open after Sunday morning Masses on **Nov. 6th – 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Weekday hours: Monday, Nov. 7th - 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM; Tuesday Nov. 8th - 8:00 AM to 5:45 PM, & Wednesday, Nov. 9th, 8:00 AM to 8:30 PM; and Thursday, Nov. 10th - 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.** The fair features award-winning books, educational products, software and adult NY Times best sellers. Come by the fair located on the lower level of the school and check it out! If you are unable to attend in person, visit our online Book Fair (go to <http://new.sgsparents.com/book-faire.html> and click on Scholastic link) or use the services of one of our personal shoppers (same link). For more information, call the school at 415-566-0314.

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. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is proud to announce the 23rd Annual Brennan Award Dinner. This year hundreds of guests will honor Dr. Mimi Silbert, Co-Founder, President and CEO of Delancy Street Foundation with the *Frank Brennan Award*. The event will feature a hosted reception and dinner, live auction and a benefit drawing. The event will take place on **Saturday, November 12th** at the Westin St. Francis San Francisco on Union Square, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco. Reception at 6:00 PM; Dinner and Program begin at 7:00 PM. For more information please call 415-977-1270, ext. 105 or go to www.svdp-sf.org or thopper@svdp-sf.org



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, Richard Yan and especially for Seamus Carolan.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter Three in your Reconciliation book is due on **Tuesday, November 1st.**

CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

Our next Confirmation Preparation Session is today, **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 17-23, 2016

Mon.	8:30 am	Don Fogarty
Tues.	8:30 am	Peter Julian Garcia
Wed.	8:30 am	Joan Harley (L)
Thurs.	8:30 am	Seamus Carolan (L)
Fri.	8:30 am	Rick Clonce
Sat.	8:30 am	Special Intention
	5:00 pm	Matt & Charlotte Tomich
Sun.	8:00 am	Patrick Bailey
	10:00 am	Alycia Goddard
	12:00 pm	Ardeen & Francis McCarthy
		Marian & Peter Chiochia
	5:30 pm	For the Parishioners




Rest in Peace
JOAN PARINA

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS October 22-23, 2016

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

Your Envelope Counts

	SUNDAY Oct. 9, 2016	SAME SUNDAY 2015
Total from Envelopes	\$6,641.00	\$6,548.50
Loose	\$1,057.75	\$1,215.83
<u>Total Collection</u>	<u>\$7,698.75</u>	<u>\$7,764.33</u>
\$1—\$4.99	4	7
\$5—\$9.99	23	51
\$10—\$19.99	51	56
\$20—\$24.99	42	39
\$25 and over	102	102
No. of envelope Users	222	255
Average Per Envelope	\$29.91	\$25.68

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 22, 2016
5:00pm Elizabeth Murphy

SUNDAY, October 23, 2016
8:00am Patrica Salubayba
10:00am Debbie Montarano
12:00pm Allenda Simpson
5:30pm Terry Keyes

EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE OF MERCY MONTHLY SPEAKER SERIES

Pope Saint John Paul II. Reflections on Dives in Misericordia. (Rich in Mercy) will be the topic of a talk given by His Eminence William Cardinal Levada, Archbishop-emeritus of San Francisco, at Saint Mary's Cathedral Event Center on **October 22, 2016 from 10:30 AM - 12 Noon**. 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 below the Cathedral. For more information, please contact Fr. Driscoll at 415-567-2020, ext. 208 or www.stmarycathedralsf.org.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY OCTOBER 23, 2016

Next Sunday we are invited to unite with Catholics around the world to "celebrate the hope that saves" through prayer, participation in the Eucharist and by giving generously. In this way, we stand in solidarity with the young and developing churches in over 120 countries through our support for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith through this special collection. Please be generous in your prayer and support for the Church in mission around the world. There will be envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ENDORSES THE DIGNITY FUND

November ballot measure to stabilize funding for seniors, adults with disabilities.

The Board of Directors of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of San Francisco has voted unanimously to endorse The Dignity Fund on the November 2016 ballot for the City and County of San Francisco. "Catholic Charities has long worked to ensure the gift of dignity extends across all generations, especially seniors and adults with disabilities," said Jeff Bialik, Executive Director of Catholic Charities. The Dignity Fund would authorize the city to:

- ◆ Stabilize funding for today's services and support seniors, veterans, adults with disabilities and adults living with chronic and life-threatening health conditions and;
- ◆ Establish a fund that will grow with the City's discretionary revenues. Any unspent funds will roll over to the next year. The Dignity Fund will not raise taxes.

More than 1,000 seniors age with dignity each year through Catholic Charities Aging Support Services.