

# ST. GABRIEL PARISH BULLETIN, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

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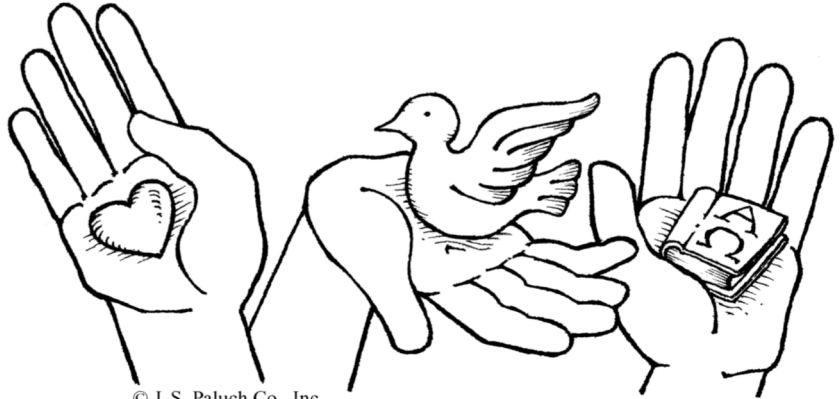
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## ST. GABRIEL PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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: \_\_\_\_\_

**OCTOBER 29, 2017**  
**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Love Your Neighbor  
as Yourself**



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**BALANCE**

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

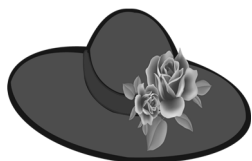
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**COMING TOGETHER TO SHARE  
OUR TIME AND TALENTS**

Thank you to all of those parishioners who have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the church. As a reminder, all commitments need to be submitted by today, **October 29th** in order to be accounted for in the final Summary Report. Please complete and submit your card to the church even if you are unable to make a change to your current level of giving. For those registered parishioners not currently supporting the church with regular offertory gifts, please consider a monthly gift to support the needs of our parish. You may also consider electronic giving by going to our website at [www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org) and clicking the "Online Giving" logo.

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR  
FIRE VICTIMS TODAY**

We know many of you want to help your brothers and sisters in need who were affected by the North Bay Fires. Today we are taking up a special second collection to benefit the Diocese of Santa Rosa. The Archdiocese will withdraw money from a designated fund and will be supplementing substantially the money collected from our parish and surrounding parishes. Please be generous because the need in the Diocese of Santa Rosa's many counties is great.



**SODALITY NEWS**

Sodality will meet next **Sunday, November 5th, at the 10:00 AM Mass**, with a meeting directly afterwards in the Parish Center.

**READINGS, NOVEMBER 5, 2017**  
**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Mal 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1-3;**  
**1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13;**  
**Mt 23:1-12**



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Fr. Donald Sharp and Fr. Paul Zirimenya.

Today is **Priesthood Sunday** - a special day set aside to honor Priesthood in the United States. Please pray for all of Christ's ministers, especially those who serve us here at St. Gabriel: Fr. Tom Hamilton, Fr. John Jimenez,



**MASSES FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY**  
**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**  
**Wednesday, November 1st**  
**8:30 AM, 10:45 AM (School Mass), 7:30 PM**



**MASSES FOR ALL SOULS' DAY**  
**THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**  
**Sunday, November 5th**  
**ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS**

You and your family are invited to attend our Annual Memorial Mass for all the parishioners of St. Gabriel, especially those who have died during this past year. This special Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, November 5th at 12:00 PM.**

**MEMORIAL BOOK**

Throughout the month of November we will be remembering those who have died. The Memorial Book will be located near the Baptismal Font for you to write down the names of those you will be remembering at this time. We, as a Church, will pray together for all those names entered in the book. All Souls' envelopes will be in the church for your intentions for the month of November.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

This week we have in All Souls' Day a commemoration that is linked to the Halloween customs. The big-spending sugar shock holiday is a long way removed from Thursday's grateful remembrance of the souls who are hidden from our sight, but alive to Christ. Old pagan superstitions might find us holding our breath when going by the graveyard, whereas others might actually go to the cemetery to tend the family graves, to share good food, and remember dear ones. Nowhere does a culture embrace this day as fully as in Mexico. The "Day of the Dead" is a national holiday that unfolds over three full days.

For three thousand years, the indigenous people of Mexico have been mocking death in an annual festival, and the invading Spaniards were shocked at the spectacle. To the Aztecs, life was a dream, and death was the entry into full life. Skulls were thus a symbol of joy and release from life's sorrows. The missionaries found all this a bit creepy, but they moved the three-day feast from August to synchronize it with the Christian calendar. So today, graves are decorated, altars are built in the home to honor the family dead, children feast on candy skulls, and people dress up in elaborate skeleton outfits. The devout spend hours in the cemetery, and there is a lively sense of the communion of saints, the living and the dead.

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## ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

St. Gabriel School is now on Facebook and Instagram! Check out what is happening around our campus on a daily basis.

Please follow us on both sites at: [stgabrielschoolsf](https://www.facebook.com/stgabrielschoolsf)  
**SCHOOL TOUR**

St. Gabriel School Tours are in full swing! We have welcomed many interested families already this school year, given a presentations about our school program, and thanks to some 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and dedicated parents; we have been able to provide an interactive and comprehensive tour to potential families. If you are interested in learning more about St. Gabriel School or know a family that may be, why not join us on a tour? See classes, computer lab, Science Discovery Center, kindergarten enrichment program, extended care facilities and more. Our next school tour is **Thursday, November 2nd, Tuesday, November 14th and November 28th at 8:30 AM**. Reservations are required and can be made by emailing the school at [sgs@stgabrielsf.com](mailto:sgs@stgabrielsf.com) or calling 415-731-6161 ext.15. Information about St. Gabriel School is also available in the School Rack in the Church vestibule, on our website at [www.stgabrielsf.com](http://www.stgabrielsf.com), or by emailing or calling the school.

### INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIRE

The International Food Faire is this **Saturday, November 4th**. Come and partake! Enjoy delicious foods from Asia, Europe, the Pacific Islands and Latin countries along with the classic American BBQ. All you can eat! There is also live entertainment and themed gift basket raffle. The faire will be in Bedford Hall from **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**. **Prepaid tickets:** Adults - \$15 and Students - \$8. Children under 4 are free. **Online purchase available through November 3rd at 2:00 PM**. Pay at the door: Adults \$20. For reservation forms: go to [sgsparents.com](http://sgsparents.com), pick up in the school Clinic, email [clinic@stgabrielsf.com](mailto:clinic@stgabrielsf.com), or call Janet Barry/Clinic at 415-566-0314.

### THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING

The St. Gabriel Scholastic Book Fair is coming! The fair will be open **Sunday, November 5th through Thursday, November 9th**. 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](http://sgsparents.com).

### MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL PASTA DINNER AND BINGO

The SG Men's Club is inviting you and your family to our 2nd Annual Pasta Dinner and BINGO night! It will be held on **November 11, 2017** inside the gym. Doors will open at 6:30 PM and dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. Dinner includes pasta, salad, rolls, dessert, and water/juices. The cost is **\$25 per family for Men's Club members** and **\$35 per family for non members**. Wives and children are, of course, welcome to attend. All proceeds will go to the needy in our parish community. After dinner, we will play BINGO! All adults and children are welcome to play.. Cost is \$1.00 per BINGO card. Help setting up the night of the event is requested. If you can help, please arrive at 4:00 PM. If you plan on attending, please RSVP (sooner than later preferred) to [sgmensclubsf@gmail.com](mailto:sgmensclubsf@gmail.com) by November 9th with the number of persons in your party to ensure enough food is purchased! **All are welcome!**



## 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, Valma McHugh Pat McSharry, Marian Ritchie, Erlinda Ronan and Alfredo Siy.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

October 29, 2017	Religious Education Classes
November 12, 2017	Religious Education Classes
November 19, 2017	Religious Education Classes

### FIRST COMMUNION

Chapter Three in your First Penance Book is due on **Tuesday, November 7th**.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

If you have questions about Youth Ministry or the Confirmation program, please contact 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 **Sunday, November 5, 2017**. New members are still welcome!

### GRIEF GROUP AT ST. GABRIEL

Come and learn about grief in a safe environment. This is drop-in course. 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

**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**

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

#### 5TH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

Today **Sunday, October 29th**, is the 5th Sunday of the month. As is customary, members of the St. Gabriel Chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be available to collect donations to support the charitable work they do for our less fortunate parishioners. Your donations can help people through hard times and support the many other good works done by our chapter. There are envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

#### SANDWICH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK!

Next week, the St. Gabriel Conference of SVDP will be collecting wrapped sandwiches for the needy. Please bring your offering by no later than 12 Noon. Members of SVDP will be outside of church before and after Mass to receive your donations. Cash donations are also welcome. Many thanks for your generosity!


**MASS INTENTIONS  
OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 5, 2017**

Mon.	8:30 am	Joseph & Dorothy Guitini
Tues.	8:30 am	Manilao, Gavino, Apolonia & Bonifacio Tolentino
Wed.	8:30 am	All Saints' Day
	10:45 am	All Saints' Day - School Mass
	7:30 pm	All Saints' Day
Thurs.	8:30 am	All Souls' Day
Fri.	8:30 am	Tom Kelly
Sat.	8:30 am	Rinaldo Ritchie
	5:00 pm	Donie Lyons
Sun.	8:00 am	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	The Deceased Members of Sodality
	12:00 pm	Francois Etchenique
	5:30 pm	Martin Gaffney

**NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS  
November 4 - 5, 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 Contributions Count!**

	<b>Sunday Oct. 22, 2017</b>	<b>Same Sunday Last Year</b>
<b>Envelope Total</b>	<b>\$8,700.45</b>	<b>\$8,898.00</b>
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$1,499.46</b>	<b>\$1,134.09</b>
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>\$1,373.00</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$11,572.91</b>	<b>\$10,032.09</b>

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY  
THANK YOU!**

Thank you for your generous support of **World Mission Sunday**. Our parish raised **\$3,973.27**. While some are called to go the Missions to serve, all of us are called, by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work by your prayers and financial help. We thank you for your support!

**ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2017**

As of October 11th, we have received donations of **\$62,200.00** representing participation from **145 donors**. We are at 59% of our goal of **\$105,806.00**. Thank you to those who have already donated. We invite everyone to share a portion of God's blessings with others by supporting the Annual Appeal. Please prayerfully consider giving to this Appeal. There are envelopes in the church vestibule or at the Parish Center for your convenience.

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY, November 4, 2017  
5:00 pm Brenda Peralta**

**SUNDAY, November 5, 2017  
8:00 am Patricia Salubayba  
10:00 am Shannon Manini  
12:00 pm Susan Ryan  
5:30 pm Brent Faye**

**BAPTISM**

Let us welcome into our parish family  
**Brigid Dooley**  
Who was baptized last week.

**ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY COLLECTION  
NOVEMBER 4 - 5, 2017**

Next weekend, we will take up a collection to benefit St. Patrick's Seminary and University. St. Patrick's seminary has devoted itself to the ministry of priestly formation and preparing seminarians for ordination, and supporting the continuing growth of priests already ordained. Your donation will help fund core programs of academic, spiritual, human and pastoral formation of priests. Please prayerfully consider a donation to St. Patrick's Seminary.

**PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

Feeling tense, confused or anxious? Want some peace of mind? The Peace and Justice Committee would like to begin a conversation with you about today's issues. Interested in briefly brainstorming? Come to the Parish Center on **November 5th at 9:00 AM**.

**CAUTION  
DRIVE  
SLOWLY**

It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention when there are parishioners present, especially children and the elderly, before and after Mass. **Please remember to drive slowly when pulling in and out of the parking lot!**

**INTRODUCTION TO ISLAM  
FOR NON-MUSLIMS**

**A Talk With Imam Siddiqui, Ph.D  
November 5, 2017 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM  
Mercy Center, Burlingame, CA**

Join us to open the Year of Solidarity and Outreach with a talk by Imam Siddiqi, Ph.D. Beginning with an introduction to the basics of Islam, Imam Siddiqi plans to cover: the prophet Jesus in the Qur'an, the sacredness of life in Islam, the true meaning of jihad, the Islamic Share'ah legal system and the role of women in Islam. He will look with us at the values we share as Christians and Muslims, as well as ways to see beauty in our diversity. All are welcome at this free event held at the Mercy Burlingame Center, 2300 Adeline Dr., Burlingame. RSVP encouraged to MBuchanan@mercywmw.org. Free will offerings will be possible to support the ministries of the Solidarity Committee.