

# ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

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**Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm  
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**Pastoral Staff:** Rev. Thomas Hamilton, Pastor; Rev. Mr. John Hurst, Deacon; Rev. Paul Zirimenya, In Residence; Rev. Wilson Blas, In Residence; Mrs. Gina Beal, School Principal; Mrs. Nancy Becerra, Director of Religious Education; Mr. Matthew Shea, Pastoral Associate.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend  
Saturday—5pm (Vigil Mass)  
Sunday—8am, 10am & 5:30pm

Weekday  
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri—8:30am

## RECONCILIATION

Every first Saturday at 3:30pm in the Church with individual confession and absolution

For information on Baptism, Marriage, Sunday School, Anointing of the Sick, Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) or Confirmation, please call the Parish Center.

## OUR MISSION

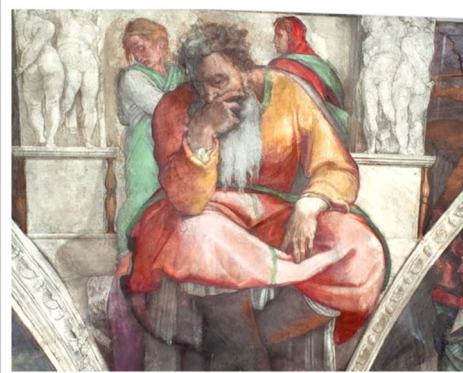
As a worshipping, believing, and caring community, St. Gabriel Parish participates in the mission of Jesus Christ, remembered most intensely at Sunday Assembly through proclamation of The Word and the sharing of the Eucharistic Meal. This Community, so nourished, lives its faith in prayer, education and outreach.

## WELCOME!

Would you like to register in our parish? Go to [www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org) and click on the "Register Online" link or call the Parish Center and we'll send you a form!

## July 21, 2024 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Today's Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34**



*The Prophet Jeremiah, The Sistine Chapel Ceiling, Michaelangelo*

Today's readings remind us of how our God is compassionate and passionately loves us.

"Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord." Our First Reading from the prophet Jeremiah addresses false prophets who had misled God's people away from the Lord. The Lord declares that He will restore His people by bringing back those who have gone astray and providing for them new shepherds so that they will "no longer fear and tremble."

This reading portrays God's infinite care and concern for our lives. We can see that God is the one who loved us first. Oftentimes, we are like the people who are blind to His goodness and enticed by sin — something we think will make us happy but does not. God is the one who constantly pursues us and gives us opportunities to say "yes" to Him. He wants to win us back, and ultimately, He will make us happy.

So, we must ask ourselves, who or what is blinding us or leading us away from our ultimate happiness? Stop for a moment and name that thing — money, status, a person, career, laziness, addiction, self-image, health, etc. — that could be leading you away from a full and happy relationship with God.

As Christian disciples, deep down we really know that our true happiness is God. So, what are we waiting for? Take the leap of faith and allow yourself to radically love God in return.

As we begin this new week, let us name the things in our lives that are robbing us of our ultimate happiness, work to let go of them and let us strive to make Jesus our true shepherd by seeking Him in our daily lives.

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## COME AWAY AND REST

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." (Mark 6:30-31a)

## Question of the Week:

**Adults:** *What do you do to rest so that you can return to work refreshed?*

**Kids:** *When will you take time to stop and pray this week?*

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**JULY 22-28, 2024**

Mon.	8:30 am	John Devine
Tues.	8:30 am	Simplicio Pedregosa
Wed.	8:30 am	No service
Thurs.	8:30 am	John Feeney
Fri.	8:30 am	Louise Vaillencourt
Sat.	5:00 pm	Rita Lippi
Sun.	8:00 am	Collective Mass
	10:00 am	Eamon Deane
	5:30 pm	For the Parishioners

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Sean Bermingham, Denise Foley, Debbie Gaffney, and Lottie Gonzales.

## **WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

**July 13-14, 2024**

**Envelopes: \$3,970**

**Online Giving: \$1,085**

**Loose: \$825**

**Total Offertory: \$5,880**

*Thank you!!*

## **GIVE ONLINE AT:**

**[www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org)**



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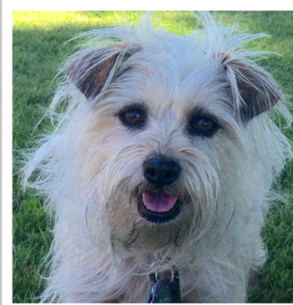
## **BAPTISM**

*Let us welcome into our parish family*

**AURIELLA NG**

*Who was recently baptized*

## **FAREWELL TO A BEST FRIEND**



Fr. Tom's heart aches as he bids farewell to his beloved dog, Lizzie Mae, who brought him joy and companionship for 12 wonderful years. Lizzie Mae was more than a pet: she was Fr. Tom's constant companion and best friend. As Fr. Tom grieves this profound

loss, he kindly asks that well-wishers refrain from asking questions about Lizzie Mae, as the pain is still too fresh. Let us offer our prayers and support to Fr. Tom during this difficult time, honoring Lizzie Mae's memory with the love and respect she deserved.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS**

We are excited to announce that our Religious Education classes will begin soon! These classes are a wonderful opportunity for our children and youth to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith, grow spiritually, and develop a strong foundation in the teachings of the Church. Classes for children in public schools (PreK-8th) will begin on **Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 9:00 AM**. Your child must be registered before August 23rd. The cost of the program is \$65 per child. Registration forms and the calendar of classes are available at the Parish Center. Please call Nancy Becerra, our Director of Religious Education at 415-731-6161 or email her at [dre@sgparish.org](mailto:dre@sgparish.org) if you have any questions.

## **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM** **2024/2025**



Confirmation strengthens the grace of Baptism, affirming our identity as sons and daughters of God and our membership in the Catholic Church. It is a moment when the Holy Spirit bestows upon us His sevenfold gifts: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts equip us to face the challenges of life with courage and conviction, and to bear witness to Christ in our daily lives. The St. Gabriel Confirmation Program will begin enrolling students for the Fall of 2024. Confirmation packets will be mailed to those who graduated from St. Gabriel School and the Religious Education Program in 2024. Registration forms will also be available at the Parish Center. **The deadline to return the registration forms and the program fee of \$235 is Wednesday, August 14, 2024.** Orientation for parents/guardians and candidates will be held on **Sunday, August 25, 2024 from 3:00 - 4:30 PM** in the Church. If you or someone you know is interested in the Confirmation Program, please email Nancy Becerra at [dre@sgparish.org](mailto:dre@sgparish.org).