

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

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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 and click on the "Register Online" link or call the Parish Center and we'll send you a form!

July 28, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; JN 6:1-15



*The Miracle of Five Loaves and Two Fish,
Lucas Cranach the Elder, 16th century*

The servant and the little boy in our readings today are excellent examples for us as Christian stewards. The servant gave the very best of what he had, and the boy gave all that he had, then God did the rest.

A key component of living as a good steward is constantly evaluating

our lives, particularly our relationship with God to ensure we are not just scraping by but rather giving God our entire lives.

We should ask ourselves — 'how am I giving God my time, using my talents, and sharing my treasures?'

We are called to give God adequate time each day. If we don't plan for this time, likely, He won't get any. We need to find what works best for us so that God can become a more significant part of our daily lives. We are also called to put our gifts and talents to good use too. The servant and the boy teach us that it is not up to us to decide how our gifts will affect others. God will do that. All we need to do is to give it well.

Lastly, the servant reminds us that we are called to give the first fruits of our treasures. It is easy to give something; it is difficult to give the finest gift. Giving our best requires us to reevaluate our priorities in life.

When we strive to live out our call as Christian stewards by entrusting all that we have been given to the One who graciously gave us these gifts, we will be blessed beyond measure. As we begin a new week, let us spend some time evaluating our relationship with God by asking, 'what is my very best, and am I giving it to God?'

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GIFTS OF HOPE

When [the people] were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. (John 6:12-13)

Question of the Week:

Adults: *When has the generous gift of another offered you hope?*

Kids: *What loving gift could you give to another person this week?*

MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 29–AUGUST 4, 2024

Mon.	8:30 am	Sean Birmingham (L)
Tues.	8:30 am	Tom Murphy & Family (L)
Wed.	8:30 am	No service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Jeanie Barry
Fri.	8:30 am	Angie Kaposch
Sat.	5:00 pm	Virginia Hamilton
Sun.	8:00 am	Collective Mass
	10:00 am	The Ladies Sodality
	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.



Rest in Peace

**GERALD DERYAN
DIONISIO ESPULGAR, SR.**

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

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

July 20-21, 2024

Envelopes: \$2,213

Online Giving: \$2,294

Loose: \$867

Total Offertory: \$5,374

Thank you!!

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Click the Online Giving icon on the homepage to get started or go to the "Donate" tab in the upper right corner, then click the "Get Started" icon. We thank you for your support!

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who has already generously donated to the AAA. To date, we have collected **\$14,984** from **48** families which represents 17% of our goal of **\$86,018**. There are envelopes in the vestibule of the church, at the Parish Center or you may go to sfarchdiocese.org/aaa/ and scroll down to the bottom of the page and make sure you credit "St. Gabriel Parish AAA" as your church of designation.

NEXT WEEK IS SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY!

Your St. Vincent de Paul conference is hosting Sandwich Sunday next weekend, **August 3-4, 2024**. There will be conference members at Saturday's 5:00 PM Mass and Sunday's 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Masses to collect your sandwiches. What kind of sandwich you ask? Any kind! PBJ, ham and cheese, turkey on rye...all types are welcomed! Your generosity to help feed the hungry is appreciated. Monetary donations are also welcomed.

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 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 have been 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.



"People are starting to notice that you go to the bathroom every time the collection plate is passed around."

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