

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

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In Residence: Rev. Paul Zirimenya

Parish Center Support Staff: Mrs. Cheryl Bailey, Bookkeeper; Mrs. Marie Dimapasoc-Arima, Payroll; Ms. Luana Letele, Secretary.

Liturgical Support: Mr. Rob Grant, Music Minister; Rev. Mr. John Hurst, Music Minister; Mr. David Lorentz, Music Minister; Ms. Kristine Sinajon, Music Minister; Mr. Mark Davis, Music Minister; Mrs. Nancy Porter, Wedding Rehearsal Coordinator.

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, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) 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? Please go to www.sgparish.org and click on the "Register Online" link or you may call the Parish Center and we'll send you a form!

June 29, 2025
Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

Today's Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

During June, we have celebrated key moments in the life of the Church — Pentecost, the Most Holy Trinity, Corpus Christi — culminating today with the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul. Though very different men, they are united in faith, mission, and martyrdom, and the Church has honored them together since the third century.

St. Peter, the first Pope, was chosen by Christ as the rock on which the Church would be built. The Catechism tells us that because of the faith he professed, Peter remains the "unshakeable rock of the Church." Despite his human weaknesses, Peter's loyalty, repentance, and leadership make him a powerful model of stewardship.

St. Paul, once a persecutor of Christians, became one of the Church's greatest evangelists. In today's second reading, Paul reflects on his mission, saying, "I have finished the race... the crown of righteousness awaits me." The Greek word he used for "crown" — stephanos — refers to a victor's crown, not a royal one, showing his view of faith as a race well-run for the sake of Christ.

Though they were martyred separately, tradition holds that Peter and Paul were in Rome at the same time, and their shared witness and sacrifice tie them closely together in Church history. They embody two vital aspects of stewardship — Peter in his faith and leadership, and Paul in his zeal and wisdom.

As stewards, we are called to follow their example — to build the Church through our commitment, to overcome our failures through God's mercy, and to proclaim the Gospel with courage. Like Peter and Paul, we are invited to give all we have for the sake of Christ and His Church.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants, www.Catholicsteward.com

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. (Mark 16:18a)

Question of the Week

Adults: *If you were asked, how would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?*

Kids: *Who do you tell people Jesus is?*



PARISH CENTER CLOSED

The Parish Center will be closed on **Friday, July 4th**, for the Independence Day Holiday. We will reopen on Saturday, July 5th, from 9:00 AM—12:00 PM. We wish you all a blessed holiday!

MASS INTENTIONS
JUNE 30 - JULY 6, 2025

Mon.	8:30 am	LaVerne Flonteny
Tues.	8:30 am	Charles & Kate Cottrell & Family
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Kim Montague
Fri.	8:30 am	Michael Cunningham
Sat.	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners
Sun.	8:00 am	Collective Mass
	10:00 am	Vilma Soares from The Ladies Sodality
	5:30 pm	Lauren Manalo (L)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In the coming week we ask for your prayers for the following: Joan Aragone, Denise Foley, Virginia Fox, Debbie Gaffney, Lottie Gonzales, and Emo Lieu.



Rest in Peace

JACOB MALEK-ZADEH
MERCEDES BORGEN

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

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

June 21 - 22, 2025

Envelopes: \$2,983

Online Giving: \$1,932

Loose: \$879

Total Offertory: \$5,794



GIVE ONLINE AT:

www.sqparish.org

Click the "Donate" tab on the upper right corner of the homepage to get started. Or just scan the code!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION TODAY!

Today, **June 28 & 29**, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. There are envelopes in the vestibule for your kind consideration. For more information visit www.obolodisanietro.va/en.html.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
SANDWICH SUNDAY JULY 5 & 6

Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be collecting sandwiches at the beginning of next Saturday's 5:00 PM Mass as well as Sunday's 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. Monetary donations are also accepted. Your thoughtfulness in helping those in need here in the San Francisco community is appreciated. Thank you!



Dear Parishioners,

How time flies! I remember like it was yesterday walking into the parish center for the first time last September as the Archbishop assigned me as your Administrator of this amazing parish.

We have been thru a difficult time beginning with Fr. Tom's death and, I believe, have become a closer family as a result.

My greatest treasure is the openness you had in sharing your lives with me. From the joy of first communions, confirmations, quinceañeras, and our celebration of the Eucharist together to the sadness of praying by the bedside of a loved one and anointing them and even the grief of laying a loved one to rest in the hope of eternal life.

As a parish family we have focused a lot on cleaning and renovation. Whenever I leave a parish, I always want to make sure I leave it better than the way I found it.

I have noticed the pews are more full on Sundays. Two of our former staff members, one who just retired and one who is using her talents and skills with a local funeral establishment, have positioned our parish in a very good solid financial trajectory. We have a very good finance council chaired by Mike Woo and very good parish pastoral council chaired by Diane Lawrence.

I have been working very close with our neighboring parish Pastors to study how we can share our ministries and programs which could allow us to live within our financial means, provide great programs and ministries **and** to save for tomorrow's future programs and ministries.

All this will allow Fr. Quito to make Saint Gabriel even greater as he steps in as your new shepherd.

I have every confidence that Fr. Quito is ready to lead our parish community for the coming years and continue the work.

I want to especially thank Deacon John Hurst and Diane Hurst who, after the death of Fr. Tom, were very supportive of my arrival, very present to our staff and you parishioners.

Know that you will always hold a special place in my heart and that no matter where the Lord might call me to serve in the years ahead, I will always consider myself a son of Saint Gabriel's. You taught me how to be a better Administrator, collaborator and priest and I will be forever grateful for your patience, understanding, faith and above all...love.

May God abundantly bless you,

Rev. Andrew P. Spyrow

JOIN US TO THANK FR. SPYROW

Please join us today after the 10:00 AM Mass in Bedford Hall for coffee, juice, and light refreshments to thank Fr. Spyrow for his dedicated service to our parish family over the past 10 months. We wish him all the best in his new assignment as pastor of St. Patrick Church while continuing as the Vicar for Clergy.