

# ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

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**Office Hours:**  
Mon-Thurs 9am-5pm  
Fri-Sat 9am-12pm  
Closed Daily for Lunch  
from 12-1pm

**Pastoral Staff:** Rev. Ian Quito, Pastor; Rev. Mr. John Hurst, Deacon; Mrs. Gina Beal, School Principal

**In Residence:** Rev. Paul Zirimenya

**Religious Education Coordinator:** Diane Lawrence

**OCIA Coordinator:** Rev. Mr. John Hurst, Deacon

**Confirmation Coordinator:** Edgar Estonina

**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.

August 31, 2025  
*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**“Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!” – Psalm 107:1**

I would like to thank this wonderful community of St. Gabriel's for welcoming me as your new priest. Know that I am also your new friend.

I arrived here on the Eve of the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (June 28, 2025) and since then, I have felt very blessed that I am sent among you. I particularly thank the Blessed Virgin Mary for praying for me in this fruitful transition in my priestly life.

I am very grateful to our solid and supportive office staff, Luana, Cheryl, and Marie. They are making my transition easy. Their dedication to St. Gabriel's is very inspiring to me.

I thank Deacon John Hurst for his assistance in many aspects of parish life especially in our liturgical celebrations. I especially thank him for leading our OCIA Program this year.

I also thank the generous 'yes' and commitment of our two new religious program coordinators, Diane Lawrence (Religious Education) and Edgar Estonina (Confirmation), for taking up these important roles of evangelizing the youth in our parish.

I am thankful to the assistance that both the parish and finance councils provide to me so that we can best serve our community. May we all grow in faith, hope, and love together.

To all our church ministries and groups, lectors, ushers, musicians/cantors, ministers of Holy Communion within the Mass, and those to the homebound, especially our sacristans, I am very grateful for all your time, efforts, and love for St. Gabriel's.

I am also grateful to the school's leadership team, especially to Principal Gina Beal, Assistant Principal Melissa Campos, and all their dedicated teachers and staff for providing avenues for a deeper collaboration between the church and school.

I am also very thankful to Marisela, Ernesto, and Pascual for assisting us in keeping the church, the parish center, the rectory, and our facilities, as clean and orderly as possible.

In a special way, I would like to thank all of you, our parishioners, who have been very generous to our parish all these years, especially those who share their resources on a weekly basis. The Lord sees your kindness and generosity. **Know that I remember all your intentions, especially during the consecration at our Eucharist. May our Blessed Mother guide and protect you and your family always!**

I am also very grateful to our parishioners who generously give to our Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. I read your names and pray for your intentions. Your assistance to the Archdiocese is vital so that the Church can continue all her mission especially in our local San Francisco Archdiocese.

I always thank the Blessed Virgin Mary for embracing me here at St. Gabriel's. Although her small statue sometimes disappears in front of our church, I know that she is always with us because she is our mother.

Praise be to Jesus, always! May St. Gabriel the Archangel protect, guide, and bless you and your family always!

Your companion in your faith journey,

*Fr. Ian Quito*

Today's Readings: Sir 3: 17-18, 20,28-29; Ps 68: 4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**SEPTEMBER 1 - 7, 2025**

Mon.	8:30 am	Nora "Patsy" Spiers
Tues.	8:30 am	Michael A. Williams
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Angelo Artificio (L)
Fri.	8:30 am	Obbie Morrissey
Sat.	5:00 pm	Bernard Artificio (L)
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 for your prayers for the following: Joan Aragone, Denise Foley, Virginia Fox, Debbie Gaffney, Lottie Gonzales, Emo Lieu, and Colleen Wood.

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

**August 23-24, 2025**

**Envelopes: \$2,776**

**Online Giving: \$2,029**

**Loose: \$988**

**Total Offertory: \$5,793**

**PARISH CENTER CLOSED**

The Parish Center will be closed on **Monday, September 1st** in honor of the Labor Day holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 2nd at 9:00 AM. Have a blessed holiday!

**SVDP 5th SUNDAY COLLECTION**

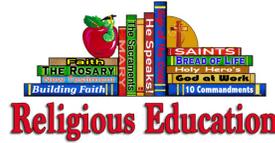
Today, **August 31st**, is the 5th Sunday of the month. As is customary, we will have a collection to support the charitable work that SVDP does for the less fortunate in our community. There are envelopes in the vestibule for your convenience.

**SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK**

Members of your St. Vincent de Paul conference will be collecting sandwiches at the Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and Sunday's 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses on the weekend of **September 6 & 7**. Monetary donations are also welcomed. The sandwiches will be taken to the downtown shelter on Sunday. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**TRIENNIAL ARCHDIOCESE FOR MILITARY COLLECTION NEXT WEEK!**

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), next weekend, **September 6 & 7**. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders. To learn more about the AMS, go to [www.milarch.org/national](http://www.milarch.org/national) collection. There will be envelopes in the vestibule for your kind consideration.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for Religious Education 2025/2026. The classes are a wonderful way for our parish children who attend public school to deepen their understanding of our Catholic faith, grow spiritually, and develop a strong foundation in the Church's teachings. Classes for grades 1-8 will begin on **Sunday, September 7, 2025 at 9:00 AM**. Your child/ren must be registered by **August 30th**. The cost of the program is \$70 per child. Registration forms are available at the Parish Center or online at [www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org) under the Religious Education section. If you have questions please email our Coordinator, Diane Lawrence, at [dlawrence@sgparish.org](mailto:dlawrence@sgparish.org) or call the Parish Center.

**CONFIRMATION 2025/2026 REGISTRATION**



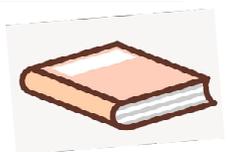
Our Confirmation Program for high school students is now open. The deadline to register is **Friday, September 12, 2025**. Registration can be accessed via the QR code or you may go online to our website at [www.sgparish.org](http://www.sgparish.org) under the "Sacrament" tab, then scroll to "Confirmation". The link will also contain other important information regarding Confirmation. Once your child is registered, please plan to attend our Confirmation orientation meeting on **Sunday, September 14, 2025 at 3:00 PM** at St. Gabriel Church. If you need help with registration, please contact Luana Letele at 415-731-6161 or email her at [secretary@sgparish.org](mailto:secretary@sgparish.org). If you have questions regarding the program itself, please contact the Confirmation Coordinator, Edgar Estonina, at [eestonina@sparish.org](mailto:eestonina@sparish.org).

**SG MEN'S CLUB MEETING**

The Men's Club will have their first meeting on **Thursday, September 4th at 6PM**. Meeting spot will soon be determined! Contact [sgmensclubsf@gmail.com](mailto:sgmensclubsf@gmail.com) for more information.

**LECTOR WORKBOOKS ARE HERE!**

The 2026 Year A Workbook for Lectors is here! If you are one of our lectors, kindly come to the Parish Center and pick up your book. Thank you for all that you do for St. Gabriel!



**77TH ANNUAL POLICE, FIRE, SHERIFF MASS**

**Sept. 7, 2025 at 9:30 AM**

**St. Cecilia Church, 2555 17th Ave., San Francisco**

The Police-Fire Mass originated as an annual way to honor the firefighters who lost their lives during the 1946 Herbert Hotel Fire and continues to honor all of our first responders. The Mass is sponsored by the SF Fire Department, SF Police Department, SF Sheriff's Office, SF Park Rangers, and the Archdiocese of San Francisco.