

ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

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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

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Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri—8:30am

RECONCILIATION

Every Friday from 7:30am-8:30am and 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.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

Every first Friday of the month after the 8:30am Mass until 9:30am.

Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is observed before our daily Masses. Everyone is welcome to pray with us.

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.

September 28, 2025
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10;1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



The Rich Man Pleads with Abraham, James Tissot 1890

We have all been given great power by God in the form of Time, Talents, and Treasure. Today's readings remind us that this power is meant to be used for great good. And that failure to do so has eternal consequences.

We see the urgency for us to put our powers to good use in today's Gospel passage from Luke. Our Lord tells the rather chilling parable of the rich man who ignored poor Lazarus during their lifetimes. At the moment of the rich man's death, he goes down to the netherworld, while Lazarus is taken to the eternal joy and comfort in the bosom of Abraham. The rich man keenly regrets his indifference towards the needs of Lazarus, but it is too late for regret. His choices have played out, and now the rich man will face the consequences of

his failure to use the gifts God gave him.

Pursuit of God's kingdom and care for the poor are not trifling matters. Our Lord makes this clear to us over and over in the Scriptures and the constant teachings of our 2,000-year-old Church. We are free to ignore these teachings and live instead for ourselves. But there will be tragic results for us in the end. And, because we are made for eternity, living selfishly on this earth doesn't really bring us true happiness anyway.

So how can we use our great powers for great good? By embracing a stewardship way of life. By putting God first in all areas of our lives — in the way we spend our time, the ways we share our talents, the ways we give of our financial resources. Stewardship living calls us out of our comfort zone and into commitment to the Lord and the things that matter to Him.

~Courtesy of CatholicSteward.com

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or considering becoming Catholic? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a welcoming and supportive process designed for those who wish to explore and deepen their understanding of Catholicism. The process begins with a period of inquiry. You will find an open space to ask questions about the faith and meet others who strive to learn more about the gospel values. An initial meeting is scheduled for today, **Sunday, September 28th at 11:00 AM** at the Parish Center. Know that your initial inquiry does not mean you are committed to initiate...just come and see if it's right for you. For questions please email Dcn. John Hurst at hurst39@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS
SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 5, 2025

Mon.	8:30 am	Patrick Lucey
Tues.	8:30 am	Mercedes Borgen
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Ron Knutson
Fri.	8:30 am	Carmen DeCastro
Sat.	5:00 pm	James McCarron
Sun.	8:00 am	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	Rose Hicks from the Ladies Sodality
	5:30 pm	Segundo Jacinto

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, Colleen Wood and especially for Fr. Ray Reyes.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

September 20-21, 2025

Envelopes: \$3,706

Online Giving: \$2,151

Loose: \$1,673

Total Offertory: \$7530

Priest Retirement: \$1,326

DIAPER DRIVE!

October is Respect Life Month. Please help the Gabriel Project in their ministry to moms in need. Diapers size 1 through 5 can be placed in the barrel in the back of the church on October weekends. You may also drop off diapers at the Parish Center. Thank you for your generous support!



BAPTISM

Let us welcome into our parish family
AOIFE MOIRA O'DONNELL
Who was recently baptized

THE FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS

September 29th is the Feast Day of the Archangels-the Patronal Feast of our parish. In honor of the Archangel Gabriel, we offer this prayer for our parishioners:

O Blessed Archangel Gabriel, intercede for us with Christ our Savior. You announced His coming in the flesh, with great joy you heralded the Incarnation. Pray the Lord Jesus hear our prayer, make us a Holy People, that justice might reign, and God's peace might prevail. May we also announce the Christ who is always among us, for He is Our Savior and Lord forever and ever! Amen!

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Join us on **Thursday, October 2nd at 4:00 pm** in the schoolyard, for our annual Blessing of Animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and creation. This special tradition celebrates God's gift of animals and our role as caretakers of His creation. Bring your pets—great or small—for a brief prayer service and individual blessing. All are welcome!

SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY OCT. 4 & 5

Members of SVdP will be collecting sandwiches for the needy next weekend at the Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and at Sunday's 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. Thank you!

BAY AREA ROSARY RALLY

The 2025 Bay Area Rosary Rally will be held on **Saturday, October 4th** on the solemnity of St. Francis of Assisi in the Jubilee Year of Hope. This year's rally will include a Pilgrimage Walk from St. Anthony of Padua Church in San Francisco at 7:00 AM to the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption. For more information visit the Archdiocese website at sfarchdiocese.org.

A THANK YOU FROM FR. IAN

My gratitude to the whole St. Gabriel Community for making the Installation Mass a joyful and meaningful parish celebration. I am also very thankful to our supportive parish staff, to our Parish and Finance Councils, to all of our parish groups, musicians, altar servers, ushers, sacristans, and to all of you, our parishioners. In a special way, my gratitude to the many families and friends who came to this special moment in the life of St. Gabriel Church. May the Blessed Mother pray for you and your families always!

~Fr. Ian

From left to right: Fr. Dan Nascimento, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Fr. Ian Quito. And yes, in the back, is our very own Dcn. John Hurst.