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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 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.

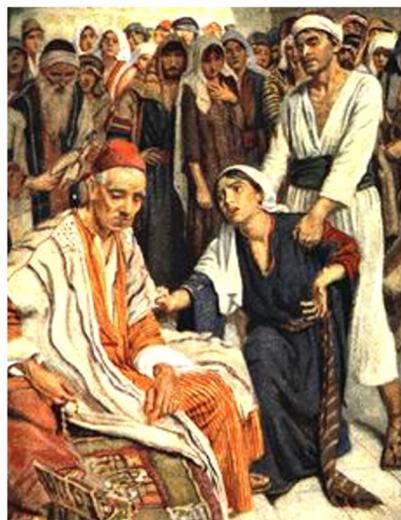
Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is observed before our daily Masses. Everyone is welcome to pray with us.

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.

October 19, 2025
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8; 1-4; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8



The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community.

Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to

describe this judge, saying he “neither feared God nor respected any human.” Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.

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TAKING RESPONSIBILITY

For a while the judge refused; but later he said to himself, “Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out...” (Luke 18:4-5)

Question of the Week:

Adults: Whose needs might you be failing to listen to right now?

Kids: How often do you put off chores until you are forced to do them? Who is hurt by such a decision?

Livestream

Hey, we're back on YouTube! We stream the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass for those who are homebound. Type into your browser:

youtube.com/@stgabrielchurchsanfrancisco

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 20 - 26, 2025

Mon.	8:30 am	Edgar Javier Almazol
Tues.	8:30 am	Mae Woo
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Patrick Bailey
Fri.	8:30 am	Bernabe Marania
Sat.	5:00 pm	Seamus Carolan
Sun.	8:00 am	Collective Mass
	10:00 am	For the Parishioners
	5:30 pm	Rafael Labutan

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, Fr. Ray Reyes, and Colleen Wood.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Due to early print deadlines, we are unable to print the offerings from last weekend. An update will be printed the first weekend in November. As always, we thank you for your continued support of St. Gabriel Church!

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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION TODAY!

This weekend, **October 18-19**, is World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday (WMS) is a special day celebrated by the Catholic Church around the world to recognize and support the Church's missionary work. The theme for this year is "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples." This theme calls all Catholics—young and old—to be messengers of hope, just as missionaries bring Christ's love to people around the world. There are envelopes in the church for your kind consideration.



RITE OF ACCEPTANCE

Today, **October 19th at the 10:00 AM Mass**, we will hold The Right of Acceptance for our students who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion. Please pray that these children always hold Jesus as the center of their lives.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of the Eucharist, Your son, Jesus Christ. We ask for Your blessings on all the children preparing for their First Holy Communion. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon them to strengthen their faith, hope, and love. Fill their hearts with Your presence, guide their thoughts, and inspire them to live as beloved disciples of Jesus. Grant them wisdom, courage, and a deep conviction to live out their faith, becoming bold witnesses to Your love and peace in the world. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ALL SAINTS' DAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025

All Saints' Day is on **Saturday, November 1, 2025** and is **NOT** a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have our regularly scheduled 5:00 PM Mass.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
Sunday, November 2, 2025 at 10:00 AM

You and your family are invited to attend our Annual Memorial Mass for all the parishioners of St. Gabriel, especially those who have died during the past year. **All Souls envelopes will be in the vestibule for your intentions for the month of November.**

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!



MASS INTENTION BOOK

The Mass Intention book for 2026 will be opened on **Tuesday, November 4th**. In fairness to all, requests for Masses will be limited to four per individual so that everyone will have an opportunity to schedule their special anniversary dates. Requests will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Phone requests for the homebound will begin on November 5th. You may email secretary@sgparish.org with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE! MEN'S CLUB DINNER

The Men's Club will be holding their Annual Prime Rib Dinner on **Saturday, November 15th at 6:00 PM** in Bedford Hall. More details to follow in next week's bulletin.

