

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 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 26, 2025
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34: 2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18; Lk 18:9-14

In last week's readings, we were encouraged to remain persistent and constant in our prayer life. Today, we focus on the proper attitude of a steward at prayer.

In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus illustrates the humble attitude we must have as we approach God in prayer through a parable of two praying men. One is a Pharisee, a man with respected status, theological training, and all the right credentials. He marches right up to the front of the temple to speak a prayer "to himself," thanking God for making him just a little bit superior to everyone else!

The other man is a tax collector, known by those of his day to be a cheater and a sell-out to his fellow Jews. In contrast to the Pharisee, he stands near the back and cries out to God in a simple and honest way: "Be merciful to me a sinner."

Jesus tells us that it is the tax collector and not the Pharisee who leaves the temple justified. Why?

The Pharisee was full of self as he approached God. He felt no real need for God as he rattled off his resume of good works and spiritual practices. He was simply going through the motions of prayer. His lack of humility prevented him from entering into a real dialogue with the Father. He was not transformed by his time of prayer because he was so full of himself that He left God no space to enter in.

The tax collector, by contrast, emptied himself as he approached God. He recognized who he truly was (a sinner) and asked simply for mercy, leaving all the rest up to God. This is the kind of attitude that God can work with! This is how a good steward prays — with trust, with complete openness to God's will, with a listening mind and heart, ready to serve as God leads.

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THE REWARD OF HUMILITY

"All who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted." (Luke 18:14)

Question of the Week:

Adults: *When have you felt self-satisfied in observing the mistakes of others? What should we remember at such times?*

Kids: *Have you ever thought you were better than someone else? What is the problem with such thoughts?*

SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

Your St. Vincent de Paul conference members will be at the Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and Sunday's 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses to collect sandwiches that will be delivered to the downtown multi-service center. Sandwiches and monetary donations are always appreciated! **Join us at our monthly meetings every first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center. All are welcome and we thank you for helping us help those in need.**

MASS INTENTIONS
OCTOBER 27 - NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Mon.	8:30 am	Lois Feeney (L)
Tues.	8:30 am	Mercedes Borgan
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Patrick Lucey
Fri.	8:30 am	Epetacio & Remegia Rafanan and deceased children
Sat.	5:00 pm	Marta Courtright
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, 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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ST. PATRICK'S SEMINARY COLLECTION
NEXT WEEK, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

St. Patrick's Seminary and University forms Catholic priests who are configured to Christ's sacrificial love, rooted in His Word and Sacraments, and dedicated to serving the people of God with the pastoral charity of Christ. St. Patrick's offers supplemental academic, ministerial, and spiritual programs for ordained, religious, and lay faithful that strengthen the Catholic community and provide religious, intellectual, and organizational sustenance to its seminarians. Envelopes are in the vestibule for your kind consideration.



Just for Laughs

Q: Why did the priest go to art class?

A: So he could learn how to draw people to God!



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.**

LAST WEEKEND FOR OUR 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.

ST. GABRIEL'S MEN'S CLUB
ANNUAL PRIME
RIB DINNER



NOVEMBER 15, 2025 6:00 PM
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