

# 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.

## March 1, 2026 Second Sunday of Lent

**Today's Readings:** Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

**Q**ur readings for this second Sunday of Lent offer us, as Christian stewards, the motivation to continue our 40-day journey toward deeper holiness.

The first reading from the book of Genesis describes God's call to Abram (who would later be called Abraham). God instructs Abram to leave his home and set out to a land that God had chosen for him. Abram's response is an ancient example of good stewardship. Instead of clinging to his comfortable home and way of life, he recognizes that all he has is a gift from God, puts his trust in God, and obeys. And God rewards him, saying, "I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing."

To "be a blessing" is the true aim of a stewardship way of life. It is also an excellent way to live out the season of Lent. The sacrifices we take on, the spiritual disciplines we practice, and the extra acts of service we perform during this season — all give glory to God and transform our lives into a blessing for others.

Lest we grow weary on this path, our Gospel passage today, from Matthew, offers us a powerful image of the great God we serve. It is the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus, when our Lord reveals Himself in His true glory and the Father says, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." The apostles who witnessed this were awestruck. But our loving Savior reassured them saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid."

As we continue our Lenten journey, let us take these two verses, "Listen to him," "Rise, and do not be afraid" to heart. Let us rely on God's strength to aid us in our spiritual disciplines as we move through Lent. We will arrive at Easter with deeper holiness, as a blessing to God and others — and as better stewards of all God's gifts to us.

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## CALL TO FAITHFULNESS

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. (Matthew 17:1-2)

### **Question of the Week:**

**Adults:** *What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?*

**Kids:** *What does it mean to you to be a holy person?*

**St. Gabriel will offer confessions on all Saturdays of Lent from 3:30 pm—4:30 pm through April 4th.**

**We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday after the 8:30 AM Mass.**

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**MARCH 2 - 8, 2026**

Mon.	8:30 am	Colleen Wood
Tues.	8:30 am	Juanita & Bud Gallagher
Wed.	8:30 am	No Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Sally Confrey
Fri.	8:30 am	Ciaran O'Reilly
Sat.	5:00 pm	For the Parishioners
Sun.	8:00 am	Collective Mass
	10:00 am	The Young Ladies Institute
	5:30 pm	Robert & Frances Rouan

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**



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

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

**Week of February 21 - 22, 2026: \$7,814**  
**Thank you for supporting St. Gabriel Church!**

**NEW YOUTUBE CHANNEL-**  
**PLEASE SUBSCRIBE!**

We have moved our parish videos and livestreams to a new YouTube channel. Our previous channel will be phased out soon, so we kindly ask all parishioners to subscribe to the new one to continue receiving Mass livestreams. **Please note that the names of the two channels are very similar, so be sure you are subscribing to the correct one:**

New Channel: [youtube.com/@stgabrielchurchsf](https://youtube.com/@stgabrielchurchsf)

Old Channel: [youtube.com/@stgabrielchurchsanfrancisco](https://youtube.com/@stgabrielchurchsanfrancisco)

Thank you for staying connected with our parish family!



**TRIUMPH OF THE HEART**  
**SCREENING**

**March 7th in Bedford Hall**

All are invited on Saturday, **March 7th at 6:00 PM** in Bedford Hall for *Triumph of the Heart*, a powerful PG-13 film about the life of St. Maximilian Kolbe. Advance registration is required. Scan the QR code to sign up or call the Parish Center for help. Suggested donation is \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. For questions or transportation needs, contact Angie Estonina at [angienettepaz@gmail.com](mailto:angienettepaz@gmail.com).

**SVDP LENTEN SOCK DRIVE**

Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be collecting new adult white socks at all Masses the weekend of **March 7th & 8th**. There will be members at the entrance of the church before and after each Mass to collect your generous donation. There will also be a barrel in the vestibule to place your donation. These socks will be given to the shelters in San Francisco. Monetary donations are always welcome. We thank you, our parish family, for your loving generosity.

**SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY TODAY!**

Your St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be collecting sandwiches at the Saturday 5:00 PM and Sunday 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses this weekend **February 28—March 1**. Sandwiches will be taken to the Multi-service Center after the 10:00 AM Mass. Monetary donations are gratefully accepted as well. Thank you for your kind consideration.

**DEANERY-WIDE PENITENTIAL SERVICE AT**  
**ST. CECILIA CHURCH, MARCH 18, 2026**

St. Gabriel will join with other parishes of our deanery for a special Penitential Service with individual confessions at St. Cecilia Church (2555 17th Ave) on **Wednesday, March 18th at 6:30 PM**. This is a beautiful opportunity to gather as a larger Catholic family for prayer, reflection, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this sacred season. Several priests from our deanery, including Fr. Ian, will be available to hear confessions. We encourage all of our parishioners to take part in this powerful evening of grace and unity.

***DID YOU KNOW?*** A deanery is a group of neighboring parishes within a diocese that work together under the leadership of a dean (ours is Fr. Dan Nascimento of St. Anne's Church). This structure helps parishes collaborate, support one another, and serve the faithful more effectively. It's a reminder that while we belong to our own parish, we're also part of something much bigger!



**A NIGHT TO REMEMBER; 80'S STYLE**

The Men's Club 80's themed Father-Daughter Dance was totally rad! It was a night full of laughter and sweet memories. In true rock-concert fashion, the fog machine got a little too into the spirit and accidentally brought out the fire department—thankfully, all was well and it just added to the fun! Huge thanks to the Men's Club, all their volunteers, and the amazing dads and daughters who made the night such a blessing!