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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 29, 2026

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Today's Readings: Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or Mt 27:11-54



Dear St. Gabriel Parishioners,
Peace in Christ!

It has been forty days now since we began our journey together this Lenten season which started on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Time flies so fast!

Yes, we can easily get caught up in the hustle of life and I pray that the Lenten season has somehow served as our consoling and refreshing refuge to once again go into the most important and essential in life. As we enter the holiest week in the church's calendar, I would like St. Francis of Assisi, the *mirror of Christ* to assist us in our reflection. Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this year a "Special Year of St. Francis of Assisi" to commemorate the saint's 800th death anniversary.

One of the most touching and meaningful moments in our saint's life was when his father Bernardone rebuked Francis for being so generous to the poor. Francis was standing before the bishop of Assisi and in a symbolic gesture, stripped off his clothes, thus, renouncing his paternal inheritance. This gesture, according to Pope Benedict XVI, points to a sublime reality in our lives that, in the end, we only have God as our beginning and our end.

Christ, during this holiest of the week, has also renounced everything in order to bring us all to Himself. He offered His full obedience to the Father and prayed at the Garden of Gethsemane, "Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine" (*Luke 22:42*).

Our Lord carried the burden of our sins and guilt all the way to Calvary, though He Himself did not sin. In a spirit of total surrender, humility, and even to the point of nothingness, He was stripped of His own garments (*Matthew 27:28*).

While hanging on the cross, He offered everything to the Father thus, fulfilling His earthly mission when He prayed, "Father into Your Hands, I commend my spirit" (*Luke 23:46*).

St. Francis, in imitating His Master, also renounced everything in order to obtain everything, His Divine Master. Thus, he became known as the "Il Poverello" (*The little poor man*).

As we walk through the most sacred and solemn week in the Church's liturgical calendar, let us turn to the most important and essential in life. The most important is that which never dies, that lasts forever: The Alpha and the Omega. Everything else is simply temporary and secondary. "For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, but loses his soul?" (*Matthew 16:26*)

May our prayer be like that of St. Francis: "My God and my all (*Deus Meus et Omnia!*)"

May Mary, Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for you and may St. Gabriel, our Archangel, protect your loved ones always! I pray for a blessed and meaningful Holy Week.

Yours in Christ,

MASS INTENTIONS
MARCH 30 - APRIL 5, 2026

Mon. 8:30 am Patricia McManus
Tues. 8:30 am Rogelio Marania
Wed. 8:30 am No Service

As we celebrate the wonder of the Triduum, there will be no morning Masses on Thursday or Friday of Holy Week.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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



Rest in Peace

ANGELA SARTORI

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon her.*

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Week of March 21-22, 2026: \$6,063
Thank you for supporting St. Gabriel Church!

SVDP COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

As is customary, this weekend is the 5th Sunday of the month and we will take up a collection for St. Vincent de Paul. Envelopes will be in the vestibule for your consideration.

MEN'S CLUB FR. TOM GOLF CLASSIC

The 2nd Annual St. Gabriel Men's Club Fr. Tom Golf Classic will take place on **Thursday, April 16th** at the Crystal Springs Golf Club in Burlingame. Proceeds from this tournament support many programs throughout our parish and school, including the CYO program, technology and student services, as well as other various ministries. The \$235 fee includes green fee, cart, range balls, tee prizes, drink tickets, box lunch and buffet dinner. To register or sponsor, scan the QR codes below or go to www.sgparish.org.



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Holy Week

HOLY THURSDAY—April 2, 2026

6:30 PM—Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in the Church until 9:00 PM
(There will be no 8:30 AM Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY—April 3, 2026

Stations of the Cross Reflections—12:45 PM
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
1:45—3:00 PM
6:30—7:45 PM
(There will be no 8:30 AM Mass)

HOLY SATURDAY—April 4, 2026

8:00 PM—CELEBRATION OF THE EASTER VIGIL
(There will be no 5:00 PM Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY—April 5, 2026

MASSSES:
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
(There will be no 5:30 PM Mass)

COME HELP US DECORATE!

Join us on **Holy Saturday, April 4th, at 9:30 AM** to help ready our sacred space in celebration of the resurrection. All are welcome and encouraged to help. Your time and helping hands make a difference!

PSST...DO YOU KNOW YOUR NUMBER?

As we celebrate this joyful Easter season, we kindly ask that you include your parishioner number (if you know it) on your offering envelope. This small step makes a big difference and greatly helps us process gifts accurately and efficiently. If you don't know your number call the secretary at 415-731-6161 or email her at secretary@sgparish.org. She'll help you out! Thank you for your support!



CLASS OF '71 REUNION

Join the class of 1971 for their 55th School Reunion on **Friday, April 24, 2026** at Park Chalet in San Francisco at 12:00 PM. Contact the alumni office for details and to RSVP: alumni@stgabrielstf.com

BAPTISM

Let us welcome into our parish family
POPPY HALLMAN
Who was recently baptized.
For in one Spirit, we were
all baptized into one body.