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OUR MISSION

St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish, a caring, welcoming community, seeks to praise God in our prayer and work, nurture growth in the Catholic faith, and compassionately serve others.

OUR VISION

The Catholic community where you encounter Jesus Christ each and every day in each and every person.

INFORMATION FOR NEW PARISHIONERS

The next New Member Meeting is **Sunday, January 12**, at **11:30 AM** in Loft 1. The meeting will last 45 minutes to one hour. For more information, call 239-5481 or email parish@stgabriel.net or visit <http://www.stgabriel.net/join> to register for the next meeting.



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Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:00 PM

Sunday | 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (also available virtually), 12:00 PM/Noon

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri | 8:15 AM-Mass
Wednesday, | 6:30 PM-Mass

Reconciliation

Wed: | 5:00 PM &

Sat: | 2:30-3:15 PM

For Appointment, call Parish Office

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: | Noon-6:15 PM

Benediction | 6:15 PM

Sacramental Information

Call the Parish Office or visit our website.

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"EVOLVING" NATIVITY SCENE

St. Gabriel's Nativity Scene will evolve over the course of Advent, the Christmas Octave and Epiphany.

Second Sunday of Advent, December 22 – Mary & Joseph

"At that time a proclamation was made by Caesar Augustus that all the inhabited world should be registered. This was the first census while Quirinius was governor of Syria; and everybody went to the town of his birth to be registered. Joseph went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to David's town, Bethlehem, in Judea, because he was a direct descendant of David, to be registered with his wife, Mary, now in the later stages of her pregnancy" (Luke 2:1-5). Ponder: When life becomes difficult, how strong is my faith? Do I continue to trust God as Joseph and Mary did?



Christmas Eve, December 24 – Baby Jesus



"While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." (Luke 2:6-7)

Ponder: God became one of us! God freely chose to become like one of his creations, a human! What crazy amount of love God has for us! How amazingly wonderful!





BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

To begin the process of having a child baptized (age infant to 6 years of age), pick up and read the pamphlet **Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism** in the kiosk in the Gathering Space of Church. Parents must be registered members of St. Gabriel prior to baptism and are required to attend the Baptism Preparation Workshop. The next scheduled workshop is **Sunday, January 12, at 2:30 PM** in the Parish Office, Door 25. So please register for this meeting by visiting <http://www.stgabriel.net/baptism> with your names, phone number, and email. Questions? Call or email Kathy Abell at 502-239-5481 ext. 312 or 502-905-3795, kabell@stgabriel.net.



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ATTENTION MEN OF ST. GABRIEL PARISH



Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

The men of Knights of Columbus® Council #15699 are excited to share the implementation of Cor, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Gabriel's parish. Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation and fraternity. Men of the Word is on **Mondays** at 7 PM in Loft 2. Come join your brother parishioners for prayer and fraternity.

SVDP NEWS

St. Vincent de Paul needs your help. During the holiday season, the St. Vincent de Paul Society sees an increase in requests for help from families in our area. Please consider helping by making a donation to SVdP. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the back of Church. We are looking for new members, both men and women, to help continue with our ministry. If you are interested, please contact Melissa at 741-0479. Thank you for supporting SVdP.



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Honor Thy Children & Background Checks: If you are a parent or a parishioner, 18 and older, and intend to coach sports, work VBS or chaperone any parish-sanctioned event, you must attend a mandatory Honor Thy Children training session as well as submit a Background Check form. Visit <http://www.stgabriel.net/background> to submit your name for a background check. The event is also required for any parish employees. No registration is necessary. Sign-in sheets will be available at the workshops. The next available workshop is at 6:30 PM on **January 7** at Flaget Center, 1935 Lewiston Dr., in the Gym. Background checks and Honor Thy Children training must be renewed **every five years**.

Parish Office: The Parish Office front desk is open Monday – Friday 9 AM to 4 PM. You can also call 502-239-5481 or email us at parish@stgabriel.net. After hours, please leave clearly-marked items in our Night Drop Box located near Door 1. The emergency line is available 24 hours a day for parishioners that need to speak with a priest.

Events & Meetings: Events and meetings must be scheduled in advance by emailing keyless@stgabriel.net. Please submit your request in writing, including organization name, day, time and space. Parish events get priority. It will be necessary to cancel or move campus events for other organizations from time to time.

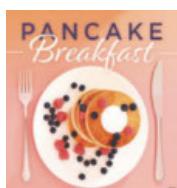
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Knights of Columbus® Sunday, December 22

Please join us this weekend, after the 8 AM and 10 AM Masses for a great breakfast in the Multipurpose Bldg. We would love to see you!



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DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Our Art and Environment Committee will be decorating the Church for Christmas on **Monday, December 23, at 6 PM**. Please come whenever you can and as long as you are able. All help will be appreciated!

STAY CONNECTED: Our bulletin is published weekly. We recommend you sign up to receive our bulletin electronically too at www.ParishesOnline.com. Sign up at: <https://www.parishesonline.com/find/st-gabriel-the-archangel>

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday, 3:00 PM

Send announcements to Margaret Reinert at mreinert@stgabriel.net, drop by parish office or place in weekend collection.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 21

4:00 PM † Phillip Milliner Sr.

Sunday, December 22

8:00 AM † Rita Mersmann

10:00 AM † Dario Silic

12:00 PM † Michael Bright

Monday, December 23

8:15 AM † No Mass Today

Tuesday, December 24

5 PM † 8 PM † 12 AM †

See List

Wednesday, December 25

9 AM † See List

Thursday, December 26

8:15 AM † No Mass Today

Friday, December 27

8:15 AM † Kaelin Eades

Saturday, December 28

4:00 PM † Cabrina Ray

Sunday, December 29

8:00 AM † Randy, Nikki, Diahna, Hannah, Hailey, William

10:00 AM † St. Gabriel Parish

12:00 PM † The O'Bryan Family & JC Duffy

PRAYER LIST

Our parish invites you to enter your prayers and intentions in our Parish Book of Prayers in the back of Church. Parish needs are included in a petition. Deceased parishioners recently buried from St. Gabriel are also included in the petitions. You may also submit a separate Mass Intention to the Parish Office with a \$10 donation.

CHRISTMAS MASS INTENTIONS

William & Gerry Hayden, Randy, Nikki, Diahna, Hannah, Hailey, William, Nikki L. Grandparents, Mary K. Lutz, Martha Maloney, Linda Risinger, Donald Webb, Frank Pfeifer Jr., Clara Broughton, Patsy Chadwell, Shirley McGary, Rosemarie Gambil, Hannah Stetler, Delores C., Jim & Faye Keene, Joe Kuebler, Rick Ohlemacher, Herb & Susie Mattingly, Louise, Jody & Norma, Phil Akers, Joe, Mary, Robby Carrico, Leo & Laverne Miller, Betty Howe, Mary & Lawrence Ford, Deceased Members Ford & Compton Families, Gary Roman, Bernie Ray Family, Edward Mattingly Family, Margie Farmer Family, John Wise, Badgett Family, Kate Kaufling, Betsy Gronotte, and Wilma Virginia Talerico.

GIVE THE GIFT OF GIVING

It's the season of giving and there are many ways to open your hearts and hands to help those in need this year.

- Volunteer at the Franciscan Kitchen. They have a SignUp-Genius live for the holidays: www.franciscankitchen.org
- Donate food and hygiene products through the Sister Visitor: cclou.org/sister-visitor-center/
- Give just four hours a week to Little Way Pregnancy Resource Center.
- Make a year-end monetary donation to St. Gabriel Parish by **January 5** to offset our utilities costs. Or contribute to our tuition assistance fund. Donate online today: www.stgabriel.net/giving

Happy Holidays from Your Parish Family!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**December 23** (Monday): NO DAILY

MASS today

December 24 (Tuesday): NO DAILY MASS today (Eve Schedule)**December 24** (Christmas Eve): 5 PM/8 PM/Midnight**December 25** (Christmas Day): 9 AM Mass (**new time**)**December 26** (Thursday): NO DAILY

MASS today

December 31 (Tuesday): NO DAILY

MASS today

December 31 (New Year's Eve)

+Confession 10 PM to 11:15 PM

+Mass: 11:30 PM

January 1 (New Year's Day)

+Confession 7:45 AM to 8:30 AM

+Mass: **9 AM** (**new time**)**MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 28/29****EUCARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:00 PM S. Bauer, P. Brainer, D. Harbsmeier, B. Pass, S. Snyder, D. Tovar, **Volunteers Needed**; 8:00 AM N. Blankman, R. Dobson, L. Lenhart, J. Lile, A. Ray, J. Simmons, M.A. Spalding, C. Tucker, P. Whelan; **10:00 AM** Men's Club; **12:00 PM** G. Cano, N. Freeman, D. Hoehler, D. Joseph, H. McGuire, L. Mohr, S. Ridgley, E. Quirino, **Volunteer Needed**.

LECTORS

4:00 PM D. Thomasson, L. Kline

8:00 AM G. Thielmeier, P. Rhea

10:00 AM Men's Club

12:00 PM M. Glass, A. Bullen

Visit www.usccb.org/nab if you would like to prepare for next week's readings.

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 PM J. Streicher

8:00 AM C. Sapp

10:00 AM Men's Club

12:00 PM C. Lichtenfeld, B. Likins

GIFT BEARERS

4:00 PM M. & A. Langenkamp

8:00 AM P. & E. Miles

10:00 AM Men's Club

12:00 PM Tracy Visse Family

USHERS

4:00 PM B. Gohmann, B. Steinmetz, F. Ferrigno, M. Sullivan; **8:00 AM** P. Miller Sr., D. Minch Sr., K. Shaper, N. Thome; **10:00 AM** Men's Club; **12:00 PM** S. Bennett, K. Cusick, M. Freeman, D. Obert.

GREETERS

4:00 PM D. Kline

8:00 AM K. & J. Stacy

10:00 AM Kirk Heitkemper Family

12:00 PM M. Russell, K. Springmier

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

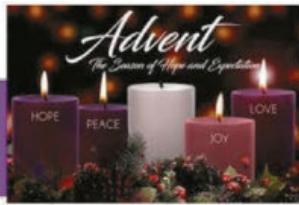
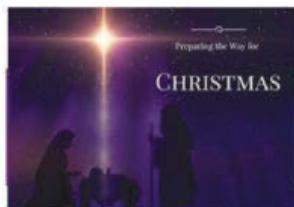
The December 29 readings are: 1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28; 1 John 3:1-2,21-24; Luke 2:41-52.

CHRISTMAS READINGS**5 PM/8 PM/Midnight**

Isaiah 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14

9 AM Christmas Day

Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18



December

2024

A Journey Toward Bethlehem...

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Nov 24 Advent Bible Study Kick Off 6:30-7:15 PM in Loft 1	25	26	27 Advent Family Resources are available in the Gathering Space	28	29	30 1st Sunday of Advent Mass 4:00 PM
1 First Sunday of Advent Inter-generational Advent Festival (cafeteria) 1:15-3:15 PM	2 Advent Parish Mission @St. Edward 7:15 pm	3 Advent Parish Mission 7:15 PM @St. Martha	4 12:00 PM: Adoration 5:00 PM: Confessions 6:15 PM: Benediction	5 Advent Parish Mission 7:15 PM @St. Gabriel	6	7 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass 4:00 PM
8 Second Sunday of Advent	9 Immaculate Conception Mass 8:15 AM	10	11 12:00 PM: Adoration 5:00 PM: Confessions 6:15 PM: Benediction 6:30 PM: Mass	12	13	14 3rd Sunday of Advent Mass 4:00 PM
15 Third Sunday of Advent Lessons and Carols presented by Music Ministry and SGS Children's Choir 2 PM	16 Advent Bible Study 6:30-8:00 PM Loft 1	17	18 12:00 PM: Adoration 5:00 PM: Confessions 6:15 PM: Benediction 6:30 PM: Mass	19	20 All School Mass 8:15 Last day of school/ 11:00 dismissal	21 4th Sunday of Advent Mass 4:00 PM
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent Music Academy Recital 3:00 PM	23 Advent Bible Study 6:30-8:00 PM Loft 1 Christmas Church Decorating 6:00	24 Christmas Eve Mass 5:00 PM/8:00 PM/ Midnight	25 Christmas Day Mass 9:00 AM	26	27	28
29 Feast of Holy Family	30	31 New Year's Eve Mass 11:30 PM	Jan 1 New Year's Mass 9:00 AM	Please consider making a year-end donation to St. Gabriel. Give online: https://www.stgabriel.net/parish/give		

Parish Office Closed : December 23- January 3

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