



SAINT GABRIEL

Roman Catholic Church

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Rectory Hours: Mon - Friday 9:00 AM-1:30 PM
Except Fridays in July & August 9-Noon

Rev. William M. Quinlan, JD, JCL, Pastor
Deacon Larry Buzzeo Deacon Joe Viola

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Thursday 8 A.M. (No Daily Mass on Friday except on Holy Days)

HOLY DAYS

Vigil 6:00 P.M., The Day 8:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

BAPTISM: Sundays following 11AM Mass— Please call the Rectory to make arrangements

WEDDINGS: Arrangements to be made at least six months prior to the wedding

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Every Monday following 8:00 A.M. Mass

HOLY ROSARY: Sunday at 10:40 AM, before the 11A.M. Mass

PASTORAL STAFF AND ORGANIZATIONS

Fr. Liam Quinlan	Pastor - FrQuinlan@diobpt.org	203-322-7426
Maryanne Didelot	Director of Religious Education	203-329-1978
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Katya Syrochkina	Organist and Choir Master	203-322-7426
Kaye Gill	Senior Circle - Tuesday - 1- 4 PM	203-322-7910
Joe Somma	Men's Group	203-322-3622
Pray For...	Contact the Parish Office	203-322-7426
Paul Salvatore	Finance Board President	203-322-2790
Ms. Abbey Camillery	Principal -Trinity Catholic Middle School	203-322-7383

**Second Sunday
of Advent**



SATURDAY	December 3, 2016
4:00 PM	Thomas Poltrack (Maryanne & John Didelot & Family)
SUNDAY	December 4, 2016
9:00 AM	John Raino (Daughter JoAnne Lockwood)
11:00 AM	Thomas Silvestro (Vera Gardell)
MONDAY	December 5, 2016
8:00 AM	Chris & Katie Connolly Living—18th Anniversary (Tom & Gayle Kochan)
TUESDAY	December 6, 2016 St. Nicholas
8:00AM	Our Parish
WEDNESDAY	December 7, 2016 St. Ambrose
8:00 AM	Tommy Petrizzi (His Family)
6:00PM ***	Vigil Mass for Feast of the Immaculate Conception Dylan Pape (Dr. & Mrs. Boldrighini)
THURSDAY	December 8, 2016
	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
8:00 AM	Valentin Viola (Joe & Erlinda Viola)
6:00 PM ***	Bob Foster (Helen)
FRIDAY	December 9, 2016
	Saint Juan Diego
8:00 AM	NO MASS
SATURDAY	December 10, 2016
4:00 PM	Bob Gill (Kaye and Family)
SUNDAY	December 11, 2016
9:00 AM	Jane Guinta (Her Family)
11:00 AM	Josefina Mabanta (Joe & Erlinda Viola)

Dear Parishioners,
Happy First Week of Advent! How has the Advent novena been going? Have you realized that you're beginning to memorize it? In case you've lost it, here it is:

*Hail and blessed be the hour and moment
in which the Son of God
was born of the most pure Virgin Mary,
at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold.
In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God!
to hear my prayer and grant my desires,
through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ,
and of His Blessed Mother. Amen*

We say this prayer so that we can heighten our anticipation by remembering and repeating the details of the great event, so that our waiting is more and more informed by the miraculous events which occurred for our salvation. We need to be waiting with delight and hope. The waiting of Advent calls us to take action, but Godly action, which is solemn—even liturgical. Thus the reason we pray, and enter our interior room, so that we can place ourselves in that place where the manger was which welcomed the Bread of Life—our Lord Jesus Christ.

The picture included here is of the grotto under the Church of the Nativity, which is the actual Cave where God was born as a man. An Altar is over the fourteen-pointed Star which marks the place where Mary laid Jesus. When I visited the grotto I placed the paten and chalice I use at mass in the space within the star. Next time you are praying at mass during the Eucharistic prayer meditate on the idea that the chalice and paten you see on the altar were at the very place where the body and blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ appeared on earth—and now the miracle of that real presence occurs in our church here in Stamford.

In the midst of preparation for Christmas, New Year and beyond, may you have a prayer-filled, holy Advent.

Love and Peace,
Fr. Liam Quinlan



Saint Gabriel Offering

Weekly Goal: \$5,000
Weekly Envelope Offering: Nov. 20th \$4,990.
Weekly Online Giving \$ 670.
Weekly Envelope Offering: Nov. 27th \$4,548.
Weekly Online Giving \$ 680.

Thank you for supporting your parish!!
To register for On-Line Giving go to our parish website at
www.saintgabrielchurch.org or
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1850>

Religious Education

Classes Resume on December 4th as scheduled, 9:50-10:50 AM and continue on December 11th, and 18th.

The religious education schedule is available on our website.

Questions? Please contact our DRE, Maryanne Didelot at saintgabrielccd@gmail.com

or call 203-329-1978, or 203-329-2707.



St. Gabriel Grade 4 Religious Education
Class is collecting NEW Blankets for the needy. Please leave your donations on the benches in the hallway leading to the parish meeting room by December 11th!
Thank you!

Lectors, Ministries' and Servers' Schedule December 2016

Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Servers
4:00 Bill Nagle	Maryanne Didelot 12/3, 12/17	Sean & Ryan Oates
12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/31	Vera Gardell	12/10, 12/17, 12/24
Marc Lupinacci 12/24	12/10, 12/24 Kathleen Whitehead 12/10, 12/24, 12/31	
5:15 on 12/24 Charles Guinta	Mark Bishop	Garrett & Vincent Galang
10 PM on 12/24 Paul Moverley	Maryanne Didelot	Matt Didelot Sean Walters
9:00 AM Tom Coughlin	Rosemary & Frank Barba	Garrett & Vincent Galang 12/4, 12/18 Kevin Fleischer
12/4, 12/11 Charles Guinta 12/18 NO 9 AM on 12/25		
11:00 AM Laura Croft	Tommaso or Marisa Catino 12/4, 12/11	Sean Walters 12/4, 12/11, 12/18 Kevin Fleischer 12/25
12/4 12/25 Debbie Gibb 12/11		
Paul Moverley 12/18 Patrick Fleischer 12/25		

Christmas Presents for the Lower Fairfield Regional Center

Thanks to all who took an index card. Kindly return the gift wrapped (with the index card on it) no later than the weekend of December 15th.



Thank you for your continued generosity to the residents of Lower Fairfield Regional Center. Your generosity is making a difference in the quality of their lives. May God bless you during this holiday season and always. Any questions please contact Cathy at 203-569-7998.

The Spirit of Giving Continues.....

TOYS FOR TOTS.

Please leave your donations in the boxes in the church vestibule by **December 18th.**

New Unwrapped Gifts

for children (ages 3 —teens). Thank you!

Any question please contact Madeleine at 203-322-8669.



Jerry Graf, Tom Burke, Phil Totilo, Dionne Creagh, Linda Santagata, Mary Brennan, Mary Somers, Dennis O'Reilly, Michael Pratt, Merima Dalupa, Gary Fanali, Anthony Ricci, Christa George, Bernadette Askin, Antoinette Lofreddo, John Leiva, Aaron Pettiford, Shawn Zaro, Nicholas Pensiero, Mary Antonelli, Maddyn Ussery, David McMorris, Kieron Butler, Joan Mary Rasmussen, Sandy McMurray, Richard Bezerra, Rocky Sansone, Alexander Leite, the Brown Family, Richard Negyesi, Bea Cooke, Stephen Wilson, Pam Thomes, Nicole Sandford, Sharon Kluchnick, Tamike Anderson, Beatrice Deza, Ernesto Deza, Tatjana Vanjuck, Joe Meehan, Douglas Katz, Anthony Bartolo, Kathryn Forcelli, Colin McQuillan, Reese Schenker, Joyce Simoneau Rybnick, Donna Schenarts, Danilo Machado, Maryellen Guerrlich, Carol Wasil, Steve Casey, Patricia Lynch, James Bogaerts, Beverly DiBlasio, Zachary Belisle, & Catherine Graf. Please call 203-322-7426 or email us at gabe914@optonline.net with the first and last name of the person to be prayed for along with your name & number.

Immaculate Conception Novena

St. Mary Church in Greenwich will celebrate a Novena in preparation for the Immaculate Conception from November 30th to December 8th. Each evening a guest homilist will offer a meditation on a different title from the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Novena will close with a Solemn Mass on December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The Choir will sing Mozart's "The Sparrow Mass" with Orchestra. A light reception will follow. Visit stmarygreenwich.org for more details.

Our Next **Monthly Coffee Hour** will be on December 11th after the 9AM Mass.

If you would like contribute baked goods or treats to this coffee hour or in the future please contact Tessie at 203-570-3109 or the rectory at 203-322-7426.