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SAINT GABRIEL

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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

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 The Lord said to her in reply,
 "Martha, Martha, you are anxious
 and worried about many things.
 There is need of only one thing.
 Mary has chosen the better part
 and it will not be taken from her."
 - Lk 10:41-42

SATURDAY 4:00 PM	July 16, 2016 Thomas Pesce, Sr. (His Family)
SUNDAY 9:00 AM	July 17, 2016 Pauline Whitehead (The Barron Family)
11:00 AM	Joanne Kinahan (Her Family)
MONDAY 8:00 AM	July 18, 2016 St. Camillus Shannon Regan (Grandma & Gerri)
TUESDAY	July 19, 2016 Matt Regan - Birthday Anniversary (Norrie & Family)
WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM	July 20, 2016 St. Appollinaris Our Parish
THURSDAY 8:00 AM	July 21, 2016 St. Lawrence Ann Cody (LAOH) Circle of Friends
FRIDAY 8:00 AM	July 22, 2016 St. Mary Magdalene No Mass
SATURDAY 4:00 PM	July 23, 2016 Rocco Vinci (His Children)
SUNDAY 9:00 AM	July 24, 2016 Antonia Siciliano (Yolanda Moccia)
11:00 AM	John Gardell (Vera Gardell)

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

When we realize we are going to have company, my family and I swing into motion with a frenzy. No dust shall be present for our guests. The bathrooms will be spotless and toilets worthy of the name "throne." We must run to the store so that an endless supply of refreshments and snacks greet our distinguished guests. We never want to be seen as bad hosts and, of course the real reason for all the commotion, we never want to be seen in our natural habitat of messy rooms and barren kitchens.

But what is real hospitality (a necessity for encouraging good stewardship and developing a sense of belonging)? In the Gospel of Luke, Mary knew. Martha was so busy preparing and serving, while Mary simply sat with Jesus and listened to him. This is not to say that she did not prepare for her Guest by making a proper place for gathering. But when a guest is already received, true hospitality begins with being present to and engaging him or her. Part of the message in this story is that we all need to pause and listen to the good news that Jesus preaches, but also we can learn a lesson about good hospitality from it as well.

How many times have we been more concerned with appearances and outward things than what we have inside each of us to share? Christian hospitality calls for the Jesus in me to meet with the Jesus in you. We are called to be fully present to one another, with no distractions of technology or the world standing in our way. This is choosing "the better part." For what does it profit a man if he has all the beer and wine in the world, and a spotless home with the greatest of technology, and loses his attention in the conversation with his brother or sister to the game on television? (Or something like that!)

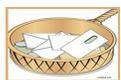
Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

2016 Annual Catholic Appeal—Thank you again!

We have exceeded our parish goal and increased participation!
 Many thanks to those who have contributed.
 Parish Goal: \$55,000 Total Contributions: \$60,953
 Number of Participating Families: 203

Candle Memorials Week of July 16th

*Vigil lamp for Our Lady-
 Betty & Mike Steele, and Son Michael Jr.
 By Walter & Doris Casey*



Saint Gabriel Offering

Due to early submission of the previous bulletin, updated weekend totals for are included here.

Weekly Goal: \$5,000

Weekly Envelope Offering

7/3: \$3,098 On-line \$680

7/10: \$4,922 On-line \$705

Many thanks to all who remember your parish when you return from out of town.

Please consider On-line giving.

To register go to our parish website at
www.saintgabrielchurch.org
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1850>



Jerry Graf, Tom Burke, Phil Totilo, Madeleine Buzzeo, Al Romano, Dionne Creagh, Linda Santagata, Mary Brennan, Mary Somers, Vincent Cappiello, 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, William Joseph Curry, Ronald Denny, the Brown Family, Richard Negyosi, Bea Cooke, Stephen Wilson, Cynthia Eiswert, Michelle Martino, and Pam Thomes. Please call 203-322-7426 or email us at abe914@optonline.net with the first and last name of the person to be prayed for along with your name & number.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Martha was caught up in a whirlwind of her own making. She stressed herself out with all the tasks and chores she thought she had to do to host Jesus, but Jesus wasn't the one who expected all of that. He just wanted Martha's presence, her company and friendship. His only expectation was that Martha would prepare for him her heart, but she was fixated on preparing her home instead.

How often do we create a similar whirlwind in our lives? How often do we fixate on external details, on making a good impression, on having all appearances looking just so, but forget what really matters? How often do we make ourselves "anxious and worried" about all we think we have to do? In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to stop the frenetic activity of our lives, to pause and listen, imitating Mary "who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak."

This can seem impossible. We look at our calendars and our to-do lists and cannot find a single slot in which to squeeze quiet prayer or silent spiritual listening. But Jesus asks us to reorganize our priorities. He tells us, "There is need of only one thing." Really, Jesus? Have you seen our lists!? What can we possibly eliminate? Don't we need to do all of this?

The Lord says no. What we need to do is to make time to be with him. The same Lord who turned water into wine and fed five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish can also multiply our time. So instead of being like Martha who tried to tell Jesus what to do--"Tell her to help me"--let's be like Mary who listened to what Jesus had to say.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

In his homily at the closing Mass of Fortnight for Freedom at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., Bishop David Zubik commended the congregation for standing together and praying for religious freedom. He noted that just as footnotes in a term paper solidify the accuracy and strengthen the message of a point being made, "You and I are called to be footnotes, footnotes to the truth who is Jesus Christ himself."

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom. If you have called, call again, our representatives need to pay attention.

Religious Education

Registration for 2016/17 is in progress!

If you need a registration form please contact our DRE, Maryanne Didelot at saintgabrielccd@gmail.com or call 203-329-2707.

The forms are also available on our website!!! Go to www.saintgabrielchurch.org click on Religious Education and DOWNLOAD a form there.

Please observe our registration deadlines.

Students currently attending Catholic School and planning on receiving the sacraments of

First Holy Communion or

Confirmation, must also register.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PARISHIONER ROBERT CODY



Honored Veteran at the 2016 City of Stamford Citizen of the Year Awards.

Robert was honored for his service by the Jewish War Veteran Committee Scholarship

Thank you for your service.

**The word of God
is a light to the mind
and a fire to the will.**

—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

LIVE THE LITURGY

What does it mean to offer hospitality? When we welcome someone at our door, whether it is someone we know or a stranger, do we simply offer the person what we think they need or what he or she truly desires? Being a truly hospitable person requires that we listen and discern what the person needs. Understanding the needs of the person we are welcoming is most important.

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)



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