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# SAINT GABRIEL

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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**

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# ASSUMPTION

*of the blessed virgin Mary*

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>August 13, 2016</b>
<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Charlie Schenarts</b> (Betty & Daughters)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>August 14, 2016</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Christopher Lemone</b> (Susan Dardis)
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Mary Marseglia</b> (Janice & Steve Wolf)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>August 15, 2016</b>
<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> <i>Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.</i>	
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Mary Louise Vogel</b> (Alice & John Guerrlich)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>August 16, 2016</b> St. Stephen of Hungary
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Michael Raino &amp; Helen Raino Fischer</b> (Joseph Rainone, Jr.)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>August 17, 2016</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Ralph Cirulli</b> (Helen Foster)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>August 18, 2016</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Edgar, Sevi, Jose, Ura</b> (Jane & Henry)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>August 19, 2016</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>August 20, 2016</b>
<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Mary Devoto</b> (The Pesce Family)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>August 21, 2016</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Dominick &amp; Phyllis Florenza</b> (Joseph Rainone, Jr.)
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Marie Deragon</b> (Vera Gardell)

*Candle Memorials Week of August 13*  
*Vigil Lamp for Our Lady -*  
*Beverley Leffler by Doris Casey*

**Saint Gabriel Offering**

Weekly Goal: \$5,000

Weekly Envelope Offering: \$3,007.

Weekly Online Giving \$570.

If you're out of town this summer -  
please remember your parish.



Please consider On-line giving.  
To register go to our parish website at  
[www.saintgabrielchurch.org](http://www.saintgabrielchurch.org) or  
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1850>

Dear Parishioners,  
I'm going on pilgrimage!  
I'll be chaplain on the Camino ("way") to Santiago de Compostela, in Galicia, Spain. The Shrine of Santiago (St James the Greater) in Compostela has been a pilgrimage site for well over a thousand years. The relics of the Apostle St James are enshrined at the Basilica in Compostela. Pilgrims have been going there from all over Europe for a millennium, and now pilgrims from all over the world go. There are "ways" from all over Europe. I won't be doing a full Camino, just the last part. The pilgrimage lasts 11 days, from 3-13 September. I will fly to Madrid, where I will meet my fellow pilgrims. Together we will travel by bus to Northern Spain, where we will begin walking, and, walking about 12-15 miles a day, we will arrive at Compostela. It's a walking pilgrimage. I've already started training for it—I'll need your prayers in this time of preparation and during the pilgrimage. I will be praying for you on the way, and I will carry your intentions with me and pray for them especially before the relics of the Apostle James.

I'll tell you more about it next week. (It's a public pilgrimage—you're welcome to join me if you like) Please pray about intentions you want me to pray for, and I'll tell you how to get them to me before I go. Here's a map showing the route I'll be walking.

Love and Peace,  
Fr. Liam Quinlan



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 Negyesi, Bea Cooke, Stephen Wilson, Cynthia Eiswert, Michelle Martino, Pam Thomes, Nicole Sandford, Sharon Kluchnick, Tamike Anderson, and Benjamin Wright. Please call 203-322-7426 or email us at [abe914@optonline.net](mailto:abe914@optonline.net) with the first and last name of the person to be prayed for along with your name & number.

## **Religious Education**

**Registration for 2016/17**

**Please include a \$25 late fee if you have not yet registered.**

**Classes for Grades 1-8 begin on September 11th.**

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

**The forms are also available on our website!!!**

**Go to [www.saintgabrielchurch.org](http://www.saintgabrielchurch.org) click on Religious Education and DOWNLOAD a form there.**

Students currently attending Catholic School and planning on receiving the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation, must also register.

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

"From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." What a sad image Jesus paints in today's Gospel. Causing family strife--fathers against sons and mothers against daughters--is not the effect we like to imagine Jesus having on people. But as he says today, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." The fact is, and always has been, that not everyone chooses to follow Christ. This causes conflict.

Perhaps it is most tragic when this tension takes place within families. When certain members of the family desire to live a full Christian life, to follow the commandments and worship God as he asks, this can be irritating at best and infuriating at worst to other family members who want nothing to do with Jesus or his church. But faith must persist in spite of domestic turmoil. Following Jesus is the ultimate good; preserving peace is secondary. In a sense, today's Gospel gives faithful Christians permission to move forward in their faith even if it doesn't make everybody happy.

However, all of this needs to be understood in the light of Jesus' desire to bring peace. He often used the greeting, "Peace be with you," and clearly promised peace to his disciples. Today's Gospel should not be taken to mean that Jesus desires division. Rather, he is acknowledging the fact that division will inevitably result as people declare their differing allegiances. But thankfully, when we align ourselves with Christ, we are also uniting ourselves to the One who can restore peace even in the midst of conflict. So when we see turmoil arise, let's call upon the power of the true Prince of Peace.



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## **RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Politics and religion are supposed to be two topics you never bring up at family gatherings. These topics too often seem to drive wedges between people who love each other. It would be easier to talk about pop culture and other frivolous topics. I remember when I was a teenager my uncle became a born-again Christian. Suddenly, his siblings wanted to talk to him less. When there was the rare family gathering, great effort was put into bringing up topics of less substance so as to crowd out of the conversation of his take on faith.

But that seems pretty unfortunate. In fact, faith seems like the most important topic to bring up with those you love. Jesus knew his message would bring division and conflict to many a household. Fear of conflict was not to be a reason for not sharing one's faith. It is through our witness and testimony that others see what a difference Jesus makes in life.

Perhaps the best way of giving witness is by how we live our lives. If we are striving to live an authentic stewardship way of life, we will be speaking volumes about faith without saying a word. We need to share with family our journey because we love them.

My uncle had found a path, but he wanted to forcibly tell everyone what he or she needed to do, rather than simply demonstrate that through his actions. Will the good news of Jesus Christ sometimes cause a rift in the fabric of a family? Yes, because the way of the cross is not easy. But if at the next family gathering you take the time to give of yourself freely and completely to those around you, then those you love may take notice and may want to know the reason for your generosity and graciousness.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## **LIVE THE LITURGY**

The truth of the Gospel will not always graciously be received. At times, it may be met with rejection and even cause division, even among those we love. We must have courage and always persevere in following God's call and not be sidetracked by the possible ramifications of doing so.

*Lord, come to my aid!*

*(Psalm 40)*

## **Defending Our Religious Liberty**

As you assess the Presidential candidates for the United States, review their positions on safeguarding our first amendment right to religious freedom.

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 listen to us.