



APRIL 12, 2026 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

WELCOME!

PARISH OFFICE

804-639-6712

www.saintgabriel.org

Monday-Thursday | 8:30am-3:30pm

Friday | 8:30am-1:30pm

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. GABRIEL

Wed. 9:00am

Thu. 9:00am

Fri. 9:00am

Sat. 5:30pm

Sun. 9:00 am, 11:00 am

GOOD SAMARITAN

Sat. 4:00pm

Sun. 4:00pm (Hispanic)

Sacramental Emergencies

804-639-6712 Ext. 1

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the parish office for arrangements.

In an emergency, call 804- 639-6712 and

dial ext. 1. Anointing of the Sick is administered after Friday Mass.

Ministry to the Sick

Catholics in our area who are seriously ill or their family members may contact the office for prayer requests. To request a prayer shawl, contact Helen Lathrup-helenlathrup@gmail.com

Baptism

Please visit saintgabriel.org/Baptism register for preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. It is recommended to contact the parish office six months in advance to prepare for the sacrament.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The sacrament is available each Sunday from 10:15-10:45 am, except for the first Sunday of the month. You may approach the priest after the 5:30 pm. Mass on Saturday. Also available after 9 am Mass on Thursdays, and on the first Friday of the month from 9:40-10:20 am.

Marriage

Couples need to contact the pastor before scheduling a wedding at the parish. The presider will coordinate all preparation needed. It is recommended couples schedule this at least one year in advance to give adequate time to prepare.

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NEW TO THE PARISH? Welcome! We are blessed to have you with us. Whether you are visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, you are welcome. Ready to join? Please register by visiting www.saintgabriel.org/Newcomer-Registration or stop by the parish office. More information about what our parish offers can be found at www.saintgabriel.org or by calling the parish office at 804-639-6712.

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PARISH VISION STATEMENT

St. Gabriel announced the coming of Jesus Christ. The community of Saint Gabriel announces the Good News alive today through our commitment to be a parish of welcome and hospitality through the stewardship of our gifts. Through our worship, outreach, formation, compassion and forgiveness, we are called to pause and reflect on our relationship with God and one another as we live the gospel each day of our lives.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

John Englesson	Mary DeCosta	Lori Sullivan
Becky Robinson	Pat Martonik	Patrick Salerno
Mary Kozlowski	Amelia Grace Hardy	Dee Dee Droughton

Sick parishioners' names will appear for 3 months after notification. Please resubmit if needed.

Mass Intentions at time of publication

Wed., Apr 15, 9:00 am	Elsa Jimenez
Thur., Apr 16, 9:00 am	Keenon Shields (living)
Fri., Apr 17, 9:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
Sat., Apr 18, 5:30 pm	For the parish
Sun., Apr 19, 9:00 am	Margaret McCosh
Sun., Apr 19, 11:00 am	Maria and Wojciech Szajda (living)– Happy birthday

Mass Intention Policy

It is an ancient and noble practice to pray for the living and dead at Mass. The greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass. Therefore, so many of us seek to book a Mass intention for our loved ones. Mass intentions are requested by relatives and/or friends for a particular weekday or Sunday Mass to be offered for the repose of the soul of a deceased person. Mass intentions may also be requested for the living. A Mass intention for the living would be for one who is sick or who is celebrating a special moment in their life such as an anniversary.

Canon Law requires that **only one** intention be taken per Mass (Canon 948). Requests will be honored on a first-come, first-serve basis in the order in which the request is received at the parish office. At St. Gabriel we have 3 weekend Masses. One Mass every weekend and on Holy Days of Obligation **MUST** be scheduled for the St. Gabriel parish, known as *Pro Populo* (Canon 534.1). The schedule of Mass intentions is subject to change according to the Mass schedule; if there is a change, we will notify the person who scheduled the Mass intention. In addition to weekend Masses, Mass intentions are **strongly encouraged** to be offered on weekdays as well.

Mass intentions should be requested through the parish office well in advance. There is a required Mass stipend for all announced Masses; there is no set dollar amount. Please be prepared to choose a Mass date and pay your stipend when you make your request. Thank you for continuing to offer special prayers for our deceased and living each time we gather to celebrate our Eucharist.

WEEKLY MASS & EVENT SCHEDULE

For the full Parish Calendar go to saintgabriel.org & click on "Events: Parish Calendar."

Sunday, April 12

8:00 am | Rosary
 9:00 am | Mass
 11:00 pm | Mass
 12:00 pm | Richmond Friends of the Homeless
 1:00 pm | High School Formation
 3:30 pm | Middle School Formation

Monday, April 13

11:00 pm | Rosary
 6:00 pm | First Communion Class

Tuesday, April 14

9:00 am | Centering Prayer
 9:00 am | Rosary
 7:00 pm | Lectionary Study
 7:00 pm | Fishermen

Wednesday, April 15

8:15 am | Rosary
 9:00 am | Mass
 9:45 am | WINGS
 6:00 pm | Charismatic Prayer Group
 6:00 pm | Prison Ministry Meeting
 6:30 pm | Cantor/Instrumentalist Rehearsal
 7:00 pm | Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 16

8:15 am | Rosary
 9:00 am | Mass
 7:00 pm | Confirmation Mass at Church of the Epiphany
 7:00 pm | Knights of Columbus
 7:00 pm | Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Friday, April 17

8:15 am | Rosary
 9:00 am | Mass
 10:00 pm | Bible Study
 10:00 pm | Praying Hands

Saturday, April 18

10:00 am | Rosary
 10:00 am | Respect Life Event
 5:30 pm | Mass

Sunday, April 19

8:00 am | Rosary
 9:00 am | Mass
 11:00 pm | Youth Mass and Baptism

Capital Campaign Update!

The architect and general contractor are working on the final plan submission to Chesterfield County and the Diocesan Building and Renovation Committee (BARC). This phase includes receiving the permits from Chesterfield County, and the goal is for this phase to be completed by the fall.

If you made a pledge to our capital campaign, we are deeply grateful for your continued faithfulness in fulfilling your intentions. Your ongoing pledge payments ensure we can meet construction timelines, honor commitments, and avoid unnecessary delays or added costs. If you have any questions about your pledge, please contact the office. If you are new to the parish or haven't made a pledge or contribution, please do so and become a part of parish expansion. Your donation and commitment will enable the parish to expand its children and youth formation program. Help us build up the future of the church.

Fiscal Year: July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026

	<u>OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	<u>ANNUAL BUDGET</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE OF BUDGET RECEIVED</u>
39th Week Mar. 23- 29	\$15,064		
Total Fiscal Year to Date	\$534,993	\$733,000	73%

Thank you to everyone who contributes and supports the parish. A parish can only survive and grow when everyone contributes on a consistent basis.

"Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly; whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, already having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work." 2 Corinthians 6:8

Capital Campaign	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>PLEGED</u>	<u>RCVD IN FISCAL YR 25-26</u>
	3,000,000	3,022,575	458,704
	<u>RECEIVED TO DATE</u>	<u>% RECEIVED</u>	
	1,271,320	42.1%	

Beware of Scams

Always consider that uninvited contact from people and/or businesses, whether by phone, mail, email, in person or on social media may be a scam. If it looks too good to be true, or it seems like an odd request, or the story doesn't seem correct, it is probably a scam. Know that Father will not email, text or call you personally for money or gift cards.

Never give your personal information or monetary donations to anyone without verifying that the request is coming from a legitimate source.

To verify information regarding the Catholic Church or the Pope, please visit www.vatican.va - the Vatican's website, or www.usccb.org - the website for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Thank you!

Please Note:

Kindly bring any items/written material(s) you would like to distribute to the community to the office for approval.
Do Not Leave items in the church or commons.

HELP FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

Child Protective Services Hotline | 1-800-552-7096

Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline | 1-833-454-9064

Victim Assistance Reporting Line | 1-877-887-9603

richmonddiocese.org/reporting-of-child-sexual-abuse-and-sexual-harassment/

Join Flocknote

With Flocknote, we are able to text everyone who joins or just a specific group. Join and keep in touch with us via text and email. Text "GABRIELVA" to 84576.



Catholic Community Foundation
of the Diocese of Richmond

2026 Annual Diocesan Appeal

2026 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others

Thank you to everyone who has already supported the 2026 Annual Diocesan Appeal. St. Gabriel goal is \$47,980 and has raised \$59,367. Good Samaritan's goal is \$3,580 and has raised \$7,695.

Remember your donations go towards the room, board and tuition assistance needs of our seminarians, assist our international and retired priests and Catholic organizations across our Diocese or provide for diocesan wide next generation evangelization and formation initiatives.

If you have not yet made your donation, please consider doing so. Good Samaritan receives 50% back in rebates and now St. Gabriel receives 20% up to goal and 50% over goal back in rebates.

Please use the QR code to make your donation. As always, thank you for your support.



Liturgy



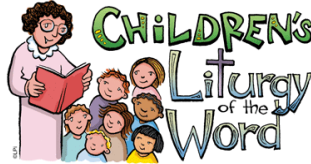
Help to prepare the Linens for the Table of the Lord - Serve in the Altar Linen Ministry

We are in need of 4-5 more altar linen ministers to help launder the altar linens for our liturgical celebrations. Training is given and

you would be ask to serve every 4-6 weeks. If interested contact Lisa Gorton at lisa.gorton@saintgabriel.org or call the parish office.

Children and Youth

Children's Liturgy of the Word has is offered during the 9 am and 11 am Masses. Children 4-10 years old will be invited by Fr. James to participate after the Opening Prayer. Parents, please make a name tag for your child (ren) at the Welcome Table.



We still need 6 volunteers to provide appropriate coverage. Volunteers are only scheduled for one Mass a month. Please consider volunteering to share God's Word with our children! Sign up to volunteer at the Children and Youth Ministry table in the Commons or email carole.cox@saintgabriel.org.



VBS is JUNE 15th-19th

Registration and Volunteer Sign-Ups on Children and Youth Table in the commons.



TO VOLUNTEER



TO REGISTER



TODAY is Faith Formation for MS/ HS !

1 pm – High School

3:30 pm – Middle School

Social Justice

The Virginia March for Life will occur on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, in Richmond.



MARCH FOR LIFE

If you are interested in carpooling we will meet in the St. Gabriel parking lot close to the office at 9am. The rally begins at 10am and the march kicks off at 11 am.



Saint Gabriel Catholic Church's Respect Life Ministry is sponsoring an opportunity to understand what sanctity of life means today.

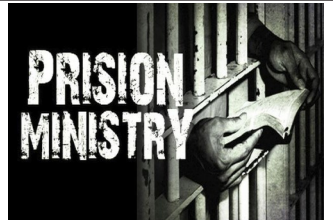
As Catholics (and Christians, for that matter), we should love, protect, and respect all human life from conception to adulthood.

Father Patrick Ssekibaala, Parochial Vicar from St. Bridget will be our speaker. He will discuss what measures should be taken to create a congenial environment that protects life, respects human dignity, and eschews violence that ends innocent life.

Saturday, April 18, 2026; 10 am-Noon
Hope to see you there!

Supporting the Kairos Weekend

Kairos is a 4 day spiritual program which will be held April 23-26 at a local men's correctional facility.



Its mission is to share Jesus' transforming love and forgiveness with inmates. You can support the program by signing up for a 30 minute prayer slot to pray for the Kairos team and inmates.

Information can be found at the Welcome Table. **If you signed up to bake cookies, please bring them to Mass this weekend or next (4/18-4/19).**

Thank you in advance for your support in making this a meaningful weekend.

Food Pantry Weekend, NEXT WEEKEND



Please bring items for the food pantry for both St. Gabriel and Good Samaritan parishes. Donations may be left on the table under the kitchen window or the brown table in the Commons at any of the Masses. Any financial donations can be placed in the basket marked Food Pantry at the entrance to the worship space. **Also, please note- you don't have to wait for Food Pantry Weekend to donate. The office can accept food donations at any time.**

The need is currently VERY GREAT.

While all donations are appreciated, **only items listed at <https://www.saintgabriel.org/Food-Pantry> are needed. We kindly ask that you check the list before bringing your donation. Also, please check the expiration dates on the items you are donating. We cannot distribute items with an expired date. No single bulk items.** Thank you so much for supporting those in need in our community.

Richmond Friends of the Homeless Bagged Lunches TODAY



Following the 11 a.m. Mass, meet us in the kitchen to make 150 peanut butter & jelly sandwich lunches for Richmond's homeless. This is a great family activity. Youth can earn community service hours. It is monthly outreach activity. Many hands make light work.

Other



Friday and Saturday, September 11 and 12, 11am - 10pm
Sunday, September 13; 10am - 8pm

The date for the 41st Lebanese Food Festival has been moved due to the Sadler Road reconstruction! Join us, rain or shine, for indoor and outdoor dining. There will be live music and entertainment. As always, admission and parking are free. Service animals only. We accept Credit Cards, and Festival Gift Cards will be available.

Free off-site parking and shuttle services are available at the Markel Office building located at 4521 Highwoods Parkway. Enter from Cox Rd or Sadler Rd by the Post Office. Check out www.LebaneseFoodFestival.com for more information.

Knights of Columbus Foursome Scramble Golf Tournament

Monday, May 11, 2026



9 am Shotgun start (rain or shine); registration begins at 7:30 am

Stonehenge Golf & Country Club

\$125 per person (\$500 per foursome)

Registration and Sponsorships available at <https://app.eventcaddy.com/events/st-gabriel-knights-of-columbus-2026>, or use QR code below.



Please also visit the Knights of Columbus table in the commons to purchase a raffle ticket for the Wheelbarrow of Cheer. This is another great way to support the event!

They're back!

The resale of the St. Gabriel T-Shirt will run from March 27 - April 27.

Order at: Cfpromo.chipply.com/stgabrielparish/





Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

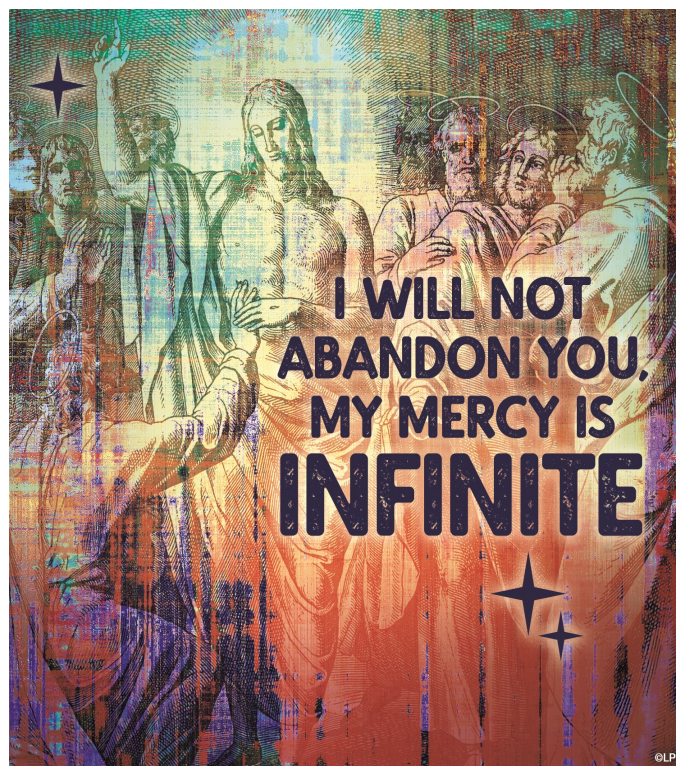
Question:

Where did the Feast of Divine Mercy come from?

Answer:

If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the Feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young woman, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind with experience in the years to come.”



Interested in Vocations? Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - April 12, 2026

"Peace be with you." (John 20:19)

As we begin the annual Uplift Your Priest, we pray for those who bring Christ's peace through the priesthood, honoring and supporting them in their vocation. If you sense a call to this ministry of mercy, take time to explore God's plan for you. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 804-359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org

Scripture for the Week of 4/12

Sun: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Mon: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tues: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wed: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thurs: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Fri: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Sat: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Next Sun: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35



Good Samaritan
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Financial information for the week ending March was \$.
Mass Intentions at time of publication: Mass intention available

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| April 11- 4 pm: Mass; 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary | April 12- 9:30 am: Baptism prep; 4 pm: Hispanic Mass |
| April 15- 10:30 am: Rosary | April 16: Noon: Luncheon; 7 pm: Confirmation Mass at Church of the Epiphany |
| April 17- 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary | April 18- 9 am: Quilters; 4 pm: Mass; 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary |
| April 19- 2 pm: First Communion Prep; 3 pm: Elementary School Formation; 4 pm: Hispanic Mass | |
| April 22- 10:30 am: Rosary | April 24- 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary |
| April 25- 4 pm: Mass; 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary | April 26- 4 pm: Hispanic Mass |
| | April 29- 10:30 am: Rosary |

Attention, Good Samaritan parishioners! E-giving is now available!
Please visit tinyurl.com/goodsam804 or scan the QR code:

You can go online and do a one-time gift, or set up a recurring gift.

If you have any questions, please speak with Jennifer Hayghe, jenniferhayghe@yahoo.com.



Información financiera para las semanas que termina el de marzo era \$.

Sábados 7 p.m. **Rosario Hispano**
Viernes a las 7 p.m. **Vía Crucis Hispana durante la Cuaresma**

18 de abril a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible
19 de abril a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

¿Interesado en las Vocaciones?
Segundo Domingo de Pascua
(Domingo de la Divina Misericordia) -
12 de abril de 2026

"La paz sea con ustedes." (Juan 20:19)

Al comenzar la actividad anual "Eleva a tu Sacerdote", oramos por quienes traen la paz de Cristo a través del sacerdocio, honrándolos y apoyándolos en su vocación. Si sientes un llamado a este ministerio de misericordia, tómate un tiempo para explorar el plan de Dios para ti. Habla con tu sacerdote o comunícate con la Oficina de Vocaciones al 804-359-5661 o por correo electrónico: vocations@richmonddiocese.org

2º DOMINGO DE PASCUA
(LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA)

Luego le dijo a Tomás: "Aquí están mis manos; acerca tu dedo. Trae acá tu mano, métela en mi costado y no sigas dudando, sino cree". - Jn 20, 26-27

Bautismos: Visite www.saintgabriel.org/gsbaptismform para obtener información sobre cómo prepararse y celebrar el sacramento del bautismo. Se recomienda que los padres envíen el formulario de bautismo o comuníquese con la oficina parroquial con seis meses de anticipación para prepararse para el sacramento.

Bodas: ¿Estás comprometido y te gustaría planificar tu boda? Felicitaciones y estamos emocionados de participar en la planificación de su Sacramento del Matrimonio. **Tenga en cuenta que las fechas de la boda no pueden ser programadas antes de que una pareja se reúna con el celebrante.** Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial al 639-6712 para una cita al menos un año antes de la boda propuesta.

Quinceañeras: ¿Tu hija está celebrando su Quinceañera este año? La Quinceañera debe registrarse con el coordinador de la iglesia antes de que pueda programarse. Los formularios están disponibles en el sitio web de la parroquia o en la oficina del coordinador. ¡Regístrese hoy!

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