



MAY 24, 2026 | PENTECOST 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 Lathrop-helenlathrop@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 to Saint Gabriel!

To find out more about the parish and to register, visit our website: www.saintgabriel.org. If you have questions, call the parish office at 804-639-6712.

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PENTECOST



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 Engleson	Pat Martonik	DeeDee Droughton
Becky Robinson	Amelia Grace Hardy	Mgsr. Leo Welyche
Mary Kozlowski	Lori Sullivan	
Mary DeCosta	Patrick Salerno	

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

Day & Mass Readings	Mass Intentions
Monday, May 25 Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34	No Mass
Tuesday, May 26 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31	No Mass
Wednesday, May 27 1 Pt 1:18-25; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 10:32-45	9 am: Dominic Verdi
Thursday, May 28 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Ps 100:2-5; Mk 10:46-52	9 am: Maura Maier
Friday, May 29 1 Pt 4:7-13; Ps 96:10-13; Mk 11:11-26	9 am: For the souls in Purgatory
Saturday, May 30 Jude 17, 20b-25; Ps 63:2-6; Mk 11:27-33	5:30 pm: For the parish
Sunday, May 31 Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; (Ps) Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18	9 am: Ellarae O'Neal (living) on her 11th birthday 11 am: Jenny Fisher

WEEKLY MASS & EVENT SCHEDULE

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

Sunday, May 24– PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 am | Rosary
9:00 am | Mass
11:00 am | Mass

Monday, May 25– PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 26

9:00 am | Rosary
12:00 Pm | Arts and Environment
7:00 pm | Lectionary Study

Wednesday, May 27

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

Thursday, May 28

8:15 am | Rosary
9:00 am | Mass
9:30 am | Richmond Friends of the Homeless
7:00 pm | Pastoral Council Meeting
7:00 pm | Children's Liturgy Meeting

Friday, May 29

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

Saturday, May 30– FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND

10:00 am | Rosary
5:30 pm | Mass

Sunday, May 31– FOOD PANTRY WEEKEND

8:00 am | Rosary
9:00 am | Mass
11:00 am | Mass
12:30 am | Couples in Christ Potluck

Capital Campaign – Growing and Building Together

We are grateful and blessed for those who are honoring their pledge for our new formation/administrative building. As of May 12, the parish has received \$1,316,530 or 43.6% of pledges. If you didn't make a pledge, you can still support the new building by making a donation. There are envelopes on the capital campaign sign in the commons, or you can use electronic giving.

The parish is working on a site plan with civil engineers and the County for approvals to move forward with permitting. Many of you might have noticed the marking all around the property.

Harrison Design is moving forward with completion of the drawings for final approval from the Bishop and the diocesan Building and Renovations Commission.

Due to wetlands and storm water management issues on the current property some of the original dates have moved by 6 months. Anticipated groundbreaking/construction company mobilization has been moved to January 2027.

The new building is desperately needed to ensure our parish can continue to serve our community. The end is in sight, please continue your support.

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.



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:

If you have gotten the email or text shown below, saying it's from Father James, **please know it is a scam.**



Do not reply back. Delete and block.

Once again, Father will never email or text a request a favor, or ask for gift cards or money.

Always, check with the office first if you receive correspondence and something doesn't seem right.

EMAIL SCAM:

Subject: Re: KINDA REQUEST

I'll be glad if you can get them as soon as you can today. I promised to get back to the women yesterday. I should have gotten the cards myself this morning, but I have busy schedules today. The women are craving for their surgery.

I need you to take off the paper pack placed round the cards to reveal the actual cards, take the snapshots and have them sent to me here so i will forward to them easily then keep the physical cards with you I will pick them up from you on Saturday in church.

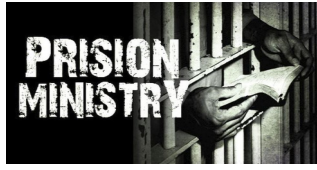
TEXT SCAM:

Hello (your name)
Peace and blessing be upon you. Are you available today? I'm currently heading out of town, for a pastoral meeting with some priests. I need a favor from you, let me know when you get this...

Many blessings
Father James Boachie

Once again, always check before replying...let's all be safe. Peace & Blessings!

Social Justice



Join the prison ministry on Wednesday, June 17th from 6-7pm for a special meeting centered around anti-death

penalty advocacy. The meeting will include education on the Catholic Church's teaching on the death penalty. There will be time dedicated to writing letters to the governors of states that have the death penalty, with a particular focus on those with active executions. All information and materials will be provided, including templates for the letters. If you are interested or have any questions please reach out to Anita Schilling (aschilling301@aol.com), Karen Curtis (Kskecurtis@aol.com), or Hailey Gudgel (Haileyg940@gmail.com).

Children and Youth

Are you a rising 11th or 12th grader who has received Confirmation? If so, **YOU could be a PEER LEADER.** To learn more and apply, visit <https://www.saintgabriel.org/confirmation-peer-leader>. **Deadline to apply is May 29th.**



REGISTER NOW

Register now for Children and Youth Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Communion, & Confirmation.

Deadline to register is June 30th.



Attention Parents! Registration for Children and Youth Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Classes for the 2026-2027 school year will open soon!

To determine whether your child/youth is ready to begin preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation, please carefully and prayerfully consider the following questions for each sacrament, prior to registering your child/youth.

First Reconciliation

- Has your child been baptized and reached the age of reason: 7 years old?
- Does your child know the difference between right and wrong?
- Can your child distinguish between mistakes or accidents and deliberate wrongdoing?
- Does your child express sorrow for wrongdoing?
- Does your child forgive others?
- Does your child pray at home and at Mass?
- Does the family attend Mass regularly?
- Does your child relate to Jesus as one who forgives?
- Are you committed to the sacramental preparation process and having your child attend every preparation session and a parent attend every ROCK session?

First Communion

- Has your child been baptized and reached the age of reason: 7 years old?
- Has your child received First Reconciliation, or will he/she be enrolled in preparation class for Reconciliation?
- Is your child interested in receiving Holy Communion?
- Does your child pray at home?
- Does your child regularly attend and participate in the Sunday Mass?
- Does your child relate to Jesus as one who loves and cares for them?
- Does your child understand that they are to care for others?
- Does your child have a sense of belonging to the Catholic community?
- Are you committed to the sacramental preparation process and having your child attend each preparation session?

Confirmation

- Has s/he received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist?
- Is s/he at least 15 years old and in the 10th grade of High School during 2026-27 academic year?
- Is there interest in receiving the sacrament?
- Does s/he have a basic knowledge of the Catholic faith?
- Does s/he have the desire for ongoing conversion and deepening relationship with Jesus Christ?
- Does s/he participate regularly in the sacramental life of the Church, including regular Mass attendance and reception of the Holy Eucharist?
- Is s/he prepared to commit to attend Sacramental classes, Confirmation Retreat and regular faith formation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?



Blood Drive
Saint Gabriel Catholic Church

The Commons
8901 Winterpock Road
Chesterfield, VA 23838

Monday, June 8, 2026
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: GABRIEL to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Come to give blood 6/1-28 for a \$15 e-gift card + chance to win a \$75K prize! See rcblood.org/June.

Give Blood.

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Father has extended the t-shirt sale through the month of May!



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St. Ann Catholic Church in South Chesterfield, VA is seeking a part-time Music Coordinator (12-15 hours per week) to facilitate and plan music for all liturgies.




The ideal candidate must possess a solid understanding of Catholic Liturgy; knowledge of liturgical music in various styles, leadership skills to assist with vocal training for cantors, and the ability to work in cooperation with and under the direction of the pastor. Demonstrating the ability to play the piano with proficiency is required.

A degree in music is preferred but not required. In addition to coordinating cantors, musicians, and choirs, this position will help coordinate holy days, weddings, funerals, and other accompaniment for special occasions. Salary is per the Diocesan scale.

Education and/or Certification: Degree in Music performance and composition or equivalent education and experience.

Experience: Minimum of two (2) years of liturgical music experience. Strong knowledge and appreciation of Catholic Liturgy. To Apply: Please send a resume and Diocesan Application to: Melissa Pakurar, St. Ann Catholic Church, 17111 Route 1, South Chesterfield, VA 23834 or email to mpakurar@stanncc.com.



Pray the Rosary!

During the Month of May we honor the Blessed Mother and are encouraged to pray the rosary daily for the special intentions of the pope and for the parish. To facilitate this devotion, we have a Rosary Exchange at the Adult Faith Formation Table in the Commons. If you see a rosary you like, exchange it for one you have. Do you have too many rosaries? Please donate them there. If you don't have a rosary, you're welcome to take one. Guides on how to pray the rosary are available at the table. In addition, all groups and ministries that meet in the parish will pray the rosary before the start of each meeting. Please join in this meditative devotion as we all seek to honor the Virgin Mary this month.



7TH Annual Wishing for Wells and Community Well-being Golf Tournament 2026

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Brandermill Country Club
June 22, 2026 \$150 Per Player/\$600 Per Team
4 Person Captain's Choice Shotgun Start at Noon

Contact: Laurie Weeda | 804-687-1299 |
middlemath@comcast.net

Scan the QR code for tournament details.



Members of Kassunga Mission Initiative and the St. Teresa Ministry at the Church of the Epiphany are busy planning this year's benefit tournament and we need your help to make it a success. If you are a golfer, consider fielding a team or coming out on your own. The course will be in top shape and your cart, lunch, and awards dinner are included in your entry fee. If you would like to be



a sponsor, either personally or for a business, sponsorships start at only \$150. Donations at all levels are welcomed. All proceeds go to support an elementary school and the surrounding community of Kassunga in southern Uganda.

Interested in Vocations?

Pentecost Sunday - May 24, 2026

"Receive the Holy Spirit." (John 20:22)

On the day of His resurrection, Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit into His disciples, empowering them to continue His mission of love, truth, and service. In priesthood, consecrated life, and holy matrimony, the Holy Spirit strengthens hearts to answer God's call courageously, guiding, inspiring, and sanctifying their work in the world. Pray for an outpouring of the Spirit, that more men and women may be filled with His grace and step boldly into their vocations.

Opportunities for the 250th Anniversary of the United States from the Diocese of Richmond



As we approach the summer months there are an increasing number of events and resources that center around the 250th anniversary of the United States. The Catholic Church is also providing us with numerous opportunities to participate in this historic moment for our nation.

One of those opportunities is the National Eucharistic Procession that will be present in our diocese from June 2nd – June 5th. Making its way from Roanoke to Williamsburg with numerous stops and moments of prayer along the way, the pilgrimage is an excellent chance for parishes and families to join together in prayer and adoration of our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist.

This incredible opportunity for prayer will bring Catholics together to praise Jesus in adoration as well as provide a chance for us to pray for our nation on the occasion of our 250th anniversary.

On June 3rd and 4th there are chances to pray at Sacred Heart, Saint Benedict, and Holy Rosary; we invite you to join us for these times of prayer. Additionally, please consider joining the procession through the streets of Richmond on the morning of June 4th. **Scan the QR code below for more information.**

Prayer and Works of Mercy

The USCCB is encouraging parishes and individuals to participate in moments of adoration and mercy leading into the July 4th holiday.

Consecration and Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

On June 11th the bishops of the United States will consecrate the United States to the Sacred heart of Jesus. Parishes and dioceses around the country are encouraged to do so.

Bishop Knestout will consecrate the Diocese of Richmond at the Cathedral of the Sacred heart on June 4th, at the Mass following the Eucharistic Procession through Richmond.

Families can also find resources for the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart within their homes on the USCCB page.



I invite you to pray for our Church, the Diocese of Richmond, and the United States of America as we celebrate throughout this year.



Good Samaritan
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Financial information for the week ending May 10 was \$. Mass Intentions at time of publication: Mass intention available

May 23- 11 am: Baptism; 4 pm: Mass; Voluteer App dinner; 7 pm: Hispanic Rosary

May 24- 4 pm: Hispanic Mass

May 27- 10:30 am: Rosary

May 30- 9:30 am: Lector Training (Spanish)

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 10 de mayo era \$.

Sábados 7 p.m. **Rosario Hispano**

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

30 de mayo a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible
31 de mayo a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

Domingo de Pentecostés - 24 de mayo de 2026

"Reciban el Espíritu Santo." (Juan 20:22)

El día de su resurrección, Jesús infundió el Espíritu Santo en sus discípulos, capacitándolos para continuar su misión de amor, verdad y servicio. En el sacerdocio, la vida consagrada y el santo matrimonio, el Espíritu Santo fortalece los corazones para responder con valentía al llamado de Dios, guiando, inspirando y santificando su labor en el mundo. Oremos por un derramamiento del Espíritu, para que más hombres y mujeres se llenen de su gracia y se adentren con valentía en sus vocaciones.



DOMINGO DE PENTECOSTÉS

"De repente vino del cielo un ruido, como de una ráfaga de viento impetuoso, que llenó toda la casa donde se encontraban. Vieron aparecer unas lenguas, como de fuego, que se repartían y se posaron sobre cada uno de ellos". Hechos 2,2-3

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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