**AUGUST 10, 2025 | THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME** 

## WELCOME! PARISH OFFICE

804-639-6712 www.saintgabriel.org

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

#### Sacramental Emergencies

804-639-6712 Ext. 1

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Contact the parish office for arrangements. In an <u>emergency</u>, 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 Lathruphlathrup1@earthlink.net

#### **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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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### ST. GABRIEL

Wed. 9:00am Thu. 9:00am Eri 9:00am

Sat. 5:30pm Sun. 9:00 am, 11:00 am

#### **GOOD SAMARITAN**

Sat. 4:00pm

Sun. 4:00pm (Hispanic)

#### **PARISH STAFF**

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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.

#### SAINT GABRIEL

8901 Winterpock Road Chesterfield, VA 23832

#### **GOOD SAMARITAN**

13441 Patrick Henry Highway Amelia, VA 23002

#### 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...

Jodi Petway Bernadette Gallagher Mary Kozlowski **Becky Robinson** Pat Martonik Amy Caprara Julio Pons John DeGiorgio Patrick Salerno Cait Cedor Lilly Grace Moreland Dorothy Hayton Julian Pragle John Paul Macri Jean Connors Jim McCarthy Abdulbari Hassan Joanne Johnson Mary DeCosta Lori Sullivan

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



#### Mass Intentions at time of publication

Wed., Aug 13, 9:00 am
Thur., Aug 14, 9:00 am
Fri., Aug 15, 9:00 am
Fri., Aug 15, 7:00 pm
Sat., Aug 16, 5:30 pm
Sun., Aug 17, 9:00 am
Sun., Aug 17, 9:00 am
Sun., Aug 18, 9:00 am
Nicole Alpy
Barbara Vaughan
Albert Epanty
Jennifer Williams
Ed and Agnes Zelinski
Julio Mieles

Sun., Aug 17, 11:00 am For the parish, and for Andrew and Cheryl Criscuolo

**Beware of Scams**— Always consider that uninvited contact from people or businesses, whether by phone, mail, email, in person or on a social networking site may be a scam. If it looks too good to be true or seems like an odd request, it probably is. Never give your personal information or monetary donations to anyone without verifying that the request is coming from a legitimate source.

#### 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/

#### **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.

# WEEKLY MASS & EVENT SCHEDULE

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

#### Sunday, August 10

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

12:15 pm | Richmond Friends of the Homeless Bagged Lunches

Monday, August 11

11:00 am | Rosary

**Tuesday, August 12** 

9:00 am | Rosary

#### Wednesday, August 13

8:15 am | Rosary 9:00 am | Mass

7:00 pm | Migrant Ministry Meeting

#### Thursday, August 14

8:15 am | Rosary 9:00 am | Mass

10:00 am | Arts and Environment6:00 pm | Past Grand Knights Dinner

## Friday, August 15– The Feast of the Assumption of Mary

8:15 am | Rosary

9:00 am | Mass and Procession

10:00 am | Praying Hands

7:00 pm | Mass

#### Saturday, August 16

10:00 am | Rosary

10:00 am | Arts and Environment

5:30 pm | Mass

#### **Sunday, August 17**

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



### Support the parish's annual fundraiser!

Purchase a ticket, be a sponsor, or BOTH!

Ticket purchase

**Sponsorship** 





\* Sponsorships begin at \$100 \*

Blackjack, Texas Hold'em, Roulette, and Craps. Plus billiards, bowling, live music at 8:00 pm, 1 free drink ticket, appetizers & prizes!

When: Friday, September 26th Where: Uptown Alley Time: 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm Cost: \$75 per person (21+)

### Don't delay! There are limited tickets

\* We end the celebration of St. Gabriel with our Parish Picnic on Sunday, October 5th - Fun for the WHOLE family! The budget is divided evenly over the 12 month fiscal period. Please bear in mind that all donations do not come weekly or monthly. The parish receives quarterly, semi-annual, and annual donations.



#### Attention:

The overflow parking lot off Bethia Road is only open on Sundays and Holy Days with large attendance Masses. At all other times, a chain is

up blocking use of the lot, which is a safety precaution.

The chain goes back up after the 11 am Mass. If the chain is up prior to you leaving, we ask that you take down the chain, move your car, and then put the chain back up.

#### Please do not leave your car there for an extended period.

We are happy to announce that the first rebate check has been received. St. Gabriel Community received \$9,148.18 and Good Samaritan, \$3,372.50. Rebate checks differ each quarter and are based on actual



donations received at the diocese.

Thank you to all who donated to the 2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal!



#### **Register your Kroger Plus** Card for St. Gabriel

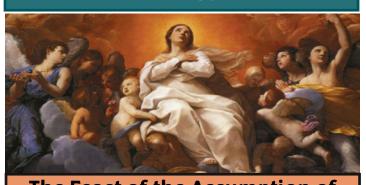
We have 164 households that have registered their Kroger Plus Card for St.

Gabriel. Let's continue to grow that number! It's SO simple...go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards and use St. Gabriel's organization number, 82387. Every time you shop at Kroger with your Kroger Plus Card it raises money for our parish! We just received a quarterly rebate check for \$414.85. The total for 2024/25 thus far is \$1.733.06.





#### Liturgy



The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on THIS Friday, August 15 9 am Mass with Marian Procession; 7 pm Mass



# Liturgical Ministry Training

Saturday, August 23, 9 am - 1 pm

Commissioning at the 11:00 Mass on August 24th

Please consider serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher or Altar server.

You set your Mass preference and availability. It's a great way to get to know members of the community! If interested, visit <a href="https://www.saintgabriel.org/training">https://www.saintgabriel.org/training</a> or call Lisa Gorton at 804-639-6712.

# Are you expecting, or do you have a child in need of Baptism?

We are excited to celebrate with you!

The next parent preparation class is **Saturday**, **September 13, 9 a.m. to noon**, with baptisms to be celebrated on Saturday, October 4 at 10 a.m. For additional class and baptism dates visit:

www.saintgabriel.org/baptism. If you have questions, contact Lisa Gorton at 804-639-6712 or email lisa.gorton@ saintgabriel.org.

#### **Children and Youth**

If you haven't signed your child up for Faith Formation yet, it's not too late, but <u>please don't delay!</u> Due to shipping costs, a \$30 late fee will be applied. We're looking forward to seeing the children and youth in the Fall!



#### **Adult Formation**



Friday Morning Bible Study: Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom, The Compelling Story of the First Christians Begins Sept. 5 and runs through Feb. 13, 10 am - Noon

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men. This study traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem, and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

Signup at www.saintgabriel.org/bible-study or visit the Adult Formation Table in the Commons.



#### Fishermen—Men's Group begins Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The powerhouse of spirituality known as Fishermen is a dynamic men's group that meets weekly on Tuesday evenings in

the church meeting room (formerly the nursery). They offer DVD/book studies with lively discussions, witness speakers and discussion sessions on key faith topics along with outreach activities to grow in love of Christ and his Church. Feel free to attend the first meeting, no strings attached, to see if Fishermen is right for you. Sign up at the Adult Formation Table in the Commons or online at www.saintgabriel.org/Fishermen.

#### Centering Prayer Group begins Tues.,

**Sept. 9 at 9 a.m**. Are you looking for a way to explore or deepen your relationship with God? Centering Through Centering Prayer, you will discover a Prayer centuries-old prayer method known as contemplation that consists of simply sitting in silence with God—beyond thoughts, words, and emotions and opening your mind, heart and whole being to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This group meets weekly on Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-10 a.m. Sign up at the Adult Formation Table in the Commons or online at www.saintgabriel.org/ centering-prayer.

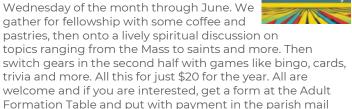


WINGS-Women's Group begins Wed., Sept. 17 at 9:45 a.m. WINGS is a spirituality group open to women of all ages who share fellowship, fun and faith with one another. We feature speakers and video segments that encourage our faith

and allow us to share our experiences in a supportive environment. WINGS meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month beginning Sept. 17 from 9:45 - 11:45 a.m. Come see what it is all about! Sign up at the Adult Formation Table in the Commons or online at www.saintgabriel.org/wings.

#### R&R Wednesday (Reflection and Recreation) begins Wed., Sept.

10th at 9:45 a.m. and is held the second Wednesday of the month through June. We gather for fellowship with some coffee and pastries, then onto a lively spiritual discussion on







#### **Tuesday Evening Lectionary** Study begins Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. Don't

miss our popular Lectionary study group

that breaks open the readings for the upcoming weekend Mass, looking at the historical background and how to apply the Holy Word in our daily lives. A great study for those new to bible study and those who find something new in scripture every time they break open the Holy Word. You have the option of meeting in person or on Zoom. Sign up at the Adult Formation Table in the Commons or online at www.saintgabriel.org/centering-prayer.

#### **Social Justice**



#### **Back to School Drive: Richmond Friends of the** Homeless

For over 20 years, St. Gabriel has supported the children and families of Richmond Friends of the

Homeless as they prepare to begin the school year. This year there are nearly 200 who need our love and support in order to begin the school year prepared and with hope and positivity. The difference you have made in their lives continues to be an outpouring of love and generosity. This year they are in need of gift cards to assist them with their needs. Please consider making a donation so that they can start this school year knowing that they loved. TODAY **IS THE LAST DAY TO MAKE DONATIONS!** School begins August 18th, therefore; the sooner you make your donation, the better.

- 1. You can do a check and on the memo line write "Back to School Program".
- 2. You can do an on-line donation. Use the QR code and under "fund" choose Back to School.



Please also continue to hold them in your thoughts and prayers. God bless you!



#### Richmond Friends of the **Homeless Bagged Lunches** THIS WEEK

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.

Attention parishioners! There is currently a VERY GREAT NEED for donations to our food pantry. If you haven't ever participated in this outreach ministry, please consider helping. Please visit https:// www.saintgabriel.org/Food-Pantry, and consider grabbing a few items the next time you're at the store.



This is a wonderful way to love your neighbor. You can drop items at the office any time, or bring them to church the last weekend of the month. Thank you.

#### Diocesan

## AFRICAN MASS:

Celebrating the Unity of Catholic Heritage



**AUGUST 23RD | 11AM | HOLY ROSARY** 

Celebrant: Fr. James Boachie | Homilist: Fr. Tochi Iwuji

Refreshments to Follow



#### Scripture for the Week of 8/10

**Sun:** Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or

11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

**Mon:** Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27 **Tues:** Dt 31:1-8; (Ps) Dt 32:3-4, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-

14

**Wed:** Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20 **Thurs:** Jos 3:7-10, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21-19:1 **Fri:** Rv 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27;

Lk 1:39-56

**Sat:** Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15 **Next Sun:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4;

Lk 12:49-53

#### **Interested in Vocations?**

#### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 10, 2025

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." (Luke 12:40)

The call to serve can come unexpectedly. Be open to the ways God may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (804) 359-5661 or via email: mandrus@richmonddiocese.org.

### (PRACTICING)

## **CATH**⊕LIC

Mini Reflection: We all love a message about The Right Thing To Do. We all love when a priest or a nun or any Catholic with a microphone gets up and talks about the truth. We rise to our feet and applaud. And then, too often, we take a deep breath and walk to our car and forget all about it — because we think they were talking to someone else.

#### Are You Talking to Me?

Last summer I was at the National Eucharistic Congress when Fr. Mike Schmitz delivered an impassioned call to repentance in his keynote address during an evening revival session. The crowd received his message with great enthusiasm. Their applause and the cheers shook the Lucas Oil Stadium.

The next night, Sr. Josephine Garrett took the stage and, in her address, got into the nitty-gritty of what it means to be a disciple, what it means to live repentance — or, as she so beautifully put it, to *embrace the hunger*.

And in doing so, she called back to the previous night's thunderous approval of Fr. Mike's message.

"When I heard you clapping when Father said we need repentance, I was worried you thought he was talking about your neighbor's repentance," she said. "He is not."

In other words: he's talking about your repentance.

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And then, too often, we take a deep breath and walk to our car and forget all about it — because we think they were talking to someone else. You know...the *others*. The ones who need to hear it. The ones who aren't being vigilant.

In today's Gospel, Peter asks Jesus, "Is this parable [of the absent master] meant for us, or for everyone?" (Luke 12:41). And Jesus answers him with a question. In so many words, he says this: "Do you want it to be for you? Are you ready to hear it?"

Whoever we are. Wherever we're from. Whatever our life looks like. However we pray. He's talking to us.

Are we ready to hear him?

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



## Financial information for the week ending Jul 27 was \$. Mass Intentions at time of publication:

Aug 9: 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary

**Aug 16:** 9 am– Quilters; 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary

**Aug 22:** 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary **Aug 30:** 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary

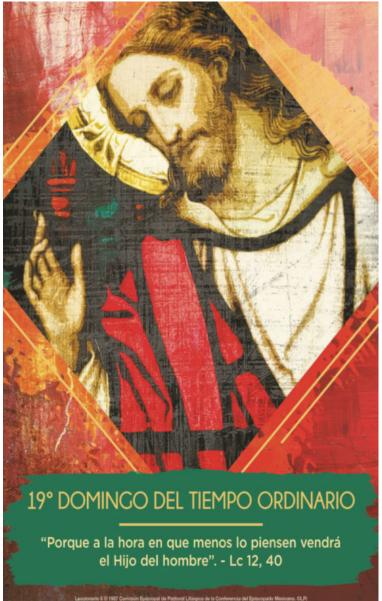
Aug 15: 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary
Aug 21: Noon- Luncheon at Chuy's

**Aug 23:** 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary

Baptisms: Visit www.saintgabriel.org/gsbaptismform for information regarding how to prepare for and celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. It is recommended that parents submit the baptism form or contact the parish office six months in advance to prepare for the sacrament.

Weddings: Are you engaged and would like to plan your wedding? Congratulations and know we are excited to share in the planning of your Sacrament of Marriage. Please note that wedding dates cannot be scheduled before a couple meets with the presider. Contact the parish office at 804-639-6712 for an appointment at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding.

Quinceaneras: Is your daughter celebrating her Quinceanera this year? Quinceanera must be registered with the church coordinator before it can be scheduled. Forms are available on the parish website or in the coordinator's office. Register today!



# Información financiera para las semanas que termina el 27 de julio es \$.

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

16 de agosto a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible 17 de agosto a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

#### Decimonoveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario – 10 de agosto de 2025

"Ustedes también estén preparados porque cuando menos lo piensen vendrá el Hijo del Hombre." (Lucas 12:40)

El llamado a servir puede llegar de manera inesperada. Esté abierto a las formas en que Dios lo puede llamar al sacerdocio o a la vida consagrada. Hable con su sacerdote o comuníquese con la Oficina de Vocaciones al (804) 359-5661 o por correo electrónico: mandrus@richmonddiocese.org.

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!





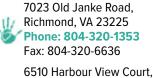
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