



JANUARY 21, 2024 | THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

PARISH OFFICE

804-639-6712 (p) | 804-639-6591 (f)
www.saintgabriel.org
 Monday-Thursday | 8:30am-3:30pm

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. GABRIEL

Wed. 9:00am
 Thu. 9:00am
 Fri. 9:00am
 Sat. 5:30pm

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.

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 Becky Robinson-bbtsmi@aol.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 8:15-8:45 a.m. and 10:15-10:45 a.m. You may also approach the priest after the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, following the 9 a.m. Masses Wednesday—Friday or call the parish office for an appointment.

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. You can find out more about the parish on our website, 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...

Sick Parishioners Names will appear for 3 months after notification. Please resubmit if needed.

Suzanne Beck	Pat Martonik
Florence Black	Julio Pons
John Cimmino	Leah Robinson
Maria Estremera	Patrick Salerno
Tina Shashaty Fuchs	Casey Stemper
Tim Kirkbride	Mary Stump
Mary Kozlowski	Lori Sullivan

Mass Intentions at time of publication

Wed., Jan. 17, 9:00 am	The souls in purgatory
Thurs., Jan. 18, 9:00 am	Mass Intention Available
Fri., Jan. 19, 9:00 am	Bob Cavanaugh
Sat., Jan. 20, 5:30 pm	For the parish and the entire universe
Sun., Jan. 21, 9:00 am	Helen Salerno
Sun., Jan. 21, 11:00 am	Rev. Donald Kirkham

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.



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

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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 or 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, January 21

10:00 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
11:00 am	Mass
1:00 pm	PreK-1st Grade Faith Formation
1:00 pm	RCIC
3:00 pm	2nd-5th Grade Faith Formation

Monday, January 22

8:00 am	American Red Cross
11:00 am	Rosary

Tuesday, January 23

9:00 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Centering Prayer
7:00 pm	Lectionary Study
7:30 pm	Fishermen

Wednesday, January 24

8:15 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
6:00 pm	Cantor/Instrumental Rehearsal
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 25

8:15 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
9:45 am	Richmond Friends of the Homeless
7:00 pm	Finance Council

Friday, January 26

8:15 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Bible Study
10:00 am	Praying Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry

Saturday, January 27

10:00 am	Rosary
5:30 pm	Mass

Sunday, January 28

8:15 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
11:00 am	Mass
1:00 pm	High School Faith Formation
3:30 pm	Middle School Faith Formation

Interested in Vocations? "Come after me,

and I will make you fishers of men." Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, act. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Go Green - Enroll in Electronic Giving

One way to keep our parish going and growing is by consistent giving. An easy, convenient, secure and environmental friendly way is by using *E-Giving*. When you choose to give online, your donation will transfer directly to the parish. It is a convenience for you as you no longer need to bring your envelope, stop by an ATM or have your checkbook on you. It helps the parish as recurring donations provide consistency and efficiency.

To set up your E-Giving account, use this QR code or visit www.saintgabriel.org/E-giving.



To set up your recurring donation:

1. under donation click on "recurring"
2. select the fund you would like to give to (offertory, building and growth, social concerns....)
3. input your dollar amount
4. click on the recurrence time (weekly, bi-weekly, monthly)
5. you can do more than one fund by clicking on "+ Add Donation"
6. input how you would like to donate, credit/debit card or bank account
7. input your payment information
8. submit

It's that easy. At any time you can change your donation, do a special one-time donation. You manage your account. Please contact the parish office to let us know to stop sending envelopes. Thank you!



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 3. The brand gives back to St. Gabriel the moment you buy a gift card—at no extra cost to you!
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Register your Kroger Plus Card for St. Gabriel



We have **157** 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 \$619.29, bringing our total for fiscal year 2023/24 to \$1,933.71.**



Special Offering – Winter Energy

Winter has arrived.

We all experience an increase in our gas bills during the winter months while we try to stay warm and the church is no different. As good stewards, please be mindful of the parishes winter needs and help with the increased cost of winter energy. All envelope givers received a special "Winter Energy" envelope in their January packet. E-givers can go onto their account and do a one-time donation to the "Winter Energy Fund" during the month of January and February. Every dollar counts and every dollar is greatly appreciated...no donation is too small.

We are grateful people and grateful for the gifts God continues to bless us with all year long. God bless your family and keep them safe throughout 2024.



Food Pantry Weekend, January 27-28

Food pantry weekend is moving to the last weekend of each month.

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 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.

Visit <https://www.saintgabriel.org/Food-Pantry> for a list of what is needed. While all donations are appreciated, **only items listed 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.** Thank you so much for supporting those in need in our community.



LAST WEEKEND TO REGISTER!

The need is constant.

The gratification is instant.

Give Blood.

St. Gabriel Blood Drive

Come Join Us To Save A Life

Monday, January 22, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

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.



**NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival**

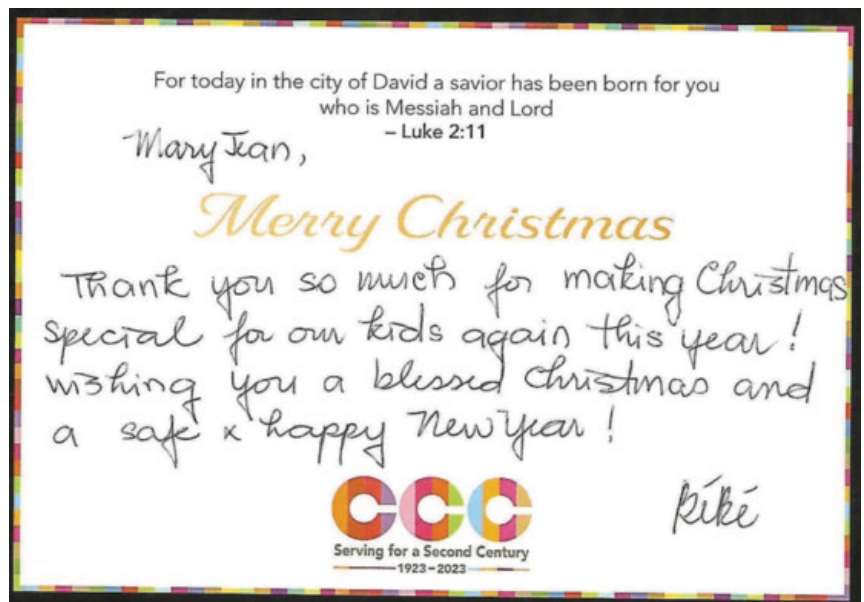
Jesus is calling us deeper

The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Check out the resources at the Eucharistic Revival Site at saintgabriel.org/eucharistic-revival to see what the parish is offering, and other online resources to build your relationship with Christ in His Holy Eucharist.



Uncork a bottle of your favorite vintage and join us as we continue this year of Eucharistic Revival with the Jesus and the Eucharist Series. We will begin in fellowship with wine and appetizers and then dive into the

videos specifically designed for our year of Parish Revival. Don't miss a great opportunity to explore the richness of our Eucharistic faith. Bring a bottle of wine and/or appetizers to share, and prepare to grow closer to Jesus alongside your fellow parishioners. **The Series is offered monthly from 6:30—8 pm on Wed., Jan. 31, Feb. 28, Mar. 20, Apr. 24 and May 22. Sign up online at saintgabriel.org/eucharistic-revival or at the Adult Formation Table in the Commons.**





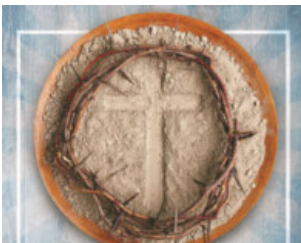
Richmond Friends of the Homeless Bagged Lunches Sun, Feb. 11

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.



Winter Warmth Drive for Commonwealth Catholic Charities

Please join our Middle School Faith Formation class in donating **new** wool socks, winter hats, gloves or scarves to Commonwealth Catholic Charities for the homeless in our area. All donations must be new (nothing handmade please). A collection bin will be at the Children & Youth Ministry table in the Commons throughout January. **All donations must be received by January 28th for delivery to CCC on the 29th.** Thank you for sharing the warmth of St. Gabriel with our less fortunate brothers and sisters.



Ash Wednesday Masses on Feb. 14 are at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Lenten Retreat with Fr. Gregory Kandt

Sat. March 16 9:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

Fr. Gregory Kandt will lead a Lenten Retreat on **Models of the Eucharist**. This will be an opportunity for reflection on the Blessed Sacrament during this year of parish Eucharistic Renewal. Lunch will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. There is no cost to attend but please sign up on the clipboard on the Adult Formation Table in the Commons or online on our Lent page.



Will be held following the 9 a.m. Mass on Fri. **Feb. 2** until 10:30 a.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available following Mass until 10:20 a.m.

Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Lent is a time for reflection that leads us to follow Christ more fully in all we say and do. Join in these opportunities to aid you in your Lenten Renewal:

Fridays of Lent



Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:

9:30 a.m.—Noon

*ends 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 16 and 23

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

9:45 a.m.—Noon

*ends 10:15 a.m. on Feb. 16 and 23

Self-Guided Stations of the Cross:

9:30 a.m.—Noon

*Noon-1 pm on Feb 16 and 23

Guided Stations of the Cross: Noon—12:30 p.m., in March only



Guided Stations of the Cross 6:30—7 p.m.

Friday Lenten Meal 7-7:45 p.m. *Each week we will feature a different outreach ministry of the parish:*

Feb. 16: TBD

Feb. 23: Prison Ministry

March 1: Richmond Friends of the Homeless

March 8: Migrant Ministry

March 16: No Meal (Lunch will be provided by the Knights of Columbus at retreat on the next day)

March 22: Praying Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sign up for the meals www.saintgabriel.org/lent or visit the Welcome Table in the Commons.



RISE Against Hunger Meal Making Event

Sat. Feb. 17: 9:30—11:30 a.m. If you would like to participate in this global meal packing event to fight hunger, sign-ups will be after Masses at the Welcome Table Feb. 3/4 and 10/11. This

will be a Lenten community building event. Please join us.



A Young Adult Day of Reflection & Hike
Registration is Open through the Office of Evangelization at the Diocese of Richmond

Head Into the Heights this March

Looking at the mountains and reflecting on creation, you can find peace and perspective that comes from the Lord. As young adults, we have the opportunity journey *into the heights* of God's love by taking a step *out* of our normal lives and *into* the Blue Ridge mountains & Our Lady of the Angels Monastery. This one-day event will include 2 talks, an easy-to-moderate level hike, prayer with the Trappist-Cistercian nuns, and lunch.

Into the Heights: A Young Adult Lenten Reflection & Hike is Saturday, March 16 from 10am-6:30pm at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Crozet, VA. \$40/person includes lunch and other retreat supplies.
Limited space available - don't wait to sign up

Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The people of Nineveh (the capital city of the Assyrian Empire and historic enemy of Israel) repented of their sins when they heard Jonah's warning of God's impending destruction of their city. What motivates you to repent?

Second Reading

Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to live with a sense of urgency and in a radically different way than before coming to faith in Jesus. In what way are you living counter-culturally as a person of faith?

Gospel Reading

This Sunday we hear the first words of Jesus in Mark's account of the call of the first disciples: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Jesus taught that the time had come for God to come and reclaim His world. What excites you about this message?

St. Benedict is hosting a Eucharistic Revival speaker event on Tuesday, January 30 from 7pm-9pm with Dr. Ximena DeBroeck.

Dr. DeBroeck teaches scripture as adjunct faculty at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, and previously at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. She also served as Director of Catechetical and Pastoral Formation in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Her talk will be titled *Eucharist as Fulfillment of All Sacrifice and Invitation*, and will explore how Jesus fulfills all Old Testament notions of sacrifice through his giving of himself in the Eucharist. Our participation in the Eucharist is then an invitation to participate in the life of Christ as missionary disciples.

Cursillo is 3 day retreat that is fully sanctioned by the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Richmond. The retreats are put on by lay Catholics with the assistance of clergy. Anyone in good standing with the church is eligible to attend. If you are interested in learning more about Cursillo or participating in a weekend, ask a parish member at your church that has been on a Cursillo or contact Rob Grubbs at [804-370-8181](tel:804-370-8181). The next Cursillo women's weekend in the Central Virginia area is scheduled for February 8-11 at Shalom House in Montpelier.



Scripture for the Week of 1/21

Sun: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Mon: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30

Tues: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35

Wed: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thurs: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1-2; Mk 16:15-18

Fri: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:26-34

Sat: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

Next Sun: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



Mass Intentions at time of publication:

January 27 at 4 pm: Mass intention available January 28 at 4 pm: Mass intention available

Sun. Jan. 21, Feb. 11 and Feb. 25: 1 pm RCIC; 2 pm Confirmation Preparation and 3 pm Youth Formation

Sat. Feb. 10 and Feb. 24: 1 pm Sacramental Preparation; 2:30 pm Youth Formation

Sat. Feb. 10. 5 pm Mardi Gras Pot Luck

Quilters meet on Tues. Feb. 6 at 9:30 am and Sat. Feb. 17 at 9 am

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 639-6712 for an appointment at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding.

Quinceañeras: Is your daughter celebrating her Quinceañera this year? Quinceañera 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!



Sábados 7 p.m. **Rosario Hispano**

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

27 de enero a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

28 de enero a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

21 de enero 2024— ¿Interesado en las vocaciones? "Venid en pos de mí, y os haré pescadores de hombres". Pescar es un verbo activo. Si estás siendo llamado a fortalecer la Iglesia de Cristo a través de una vocación al sacerdocio o a la vida consagrada, actúa. Hable con su sacerdote o comuníquese con la Oficina de Vocaciones al (804) 359-5661 o por correo electrónico: vocations@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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