



NOVEMBER 16, 2025 | THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME!

PARISH OFFICE

804-639-6712

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

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-hlathrup1@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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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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GOOD SAMARITAN

13441 Patrick Henry Highway
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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...

Jodi Petway	Mary Kozlowski
Becky Robinson	Pat Martonik
Amy Caprara	Julio Pons
John DeGiorgio	Patrick Salerno
Dorothy Hayton	Lilly Grace Moreland
John Paul Macri	Julian Pragle
Jim McCarthy	Abdulbari Hassan
Joanne Johnson	Mary DeCosta
Lori Sullivan	Fr. Bob Brownell
Eileen Albert	Mary Sasara
Tina Huey	Ray Parrott
Bernadette Gallagher	Eileen Albert

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



Mass Intentions at time of publication

Wed., Nov 12, 9:00 am	Elena Pitrelli
Thur., Nov 13, 9:00 am	John and Emily Loviza
Fri., Nov 14, 9:00 am	Alberto Lux
Sat., Nov 15, 5:30 pm	Jason Graham
Sun., Nov 16, 9:00 am	Mildred Cifelli
Sun., Nov 16, 11:00 am	For the parish

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, November 16

8:00 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass and Blessing of Veterans
11:00 am	Mass and Blessing of Veterans
4:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

Monday, November 17

11:00 am	Rosary
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Tuesday, November 18

9:00 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Centering Prayer
7:00 pm	Fishermen
7:00 pm	Lectionary Study
7:00 pm	Pastoral Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 19

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

Thursday, November 20

8:15 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
7:00 pm	Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
7:00 pm	Order of Christian Initiation of Children
7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Officers' Meeting

Friday, November 21

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

Saturday, November 22

9:00 am	First Reconciliation
10:00 am	Rosary
10:00 am	Arts and Environment
5:30 pm	Mass

Sunday, November 23

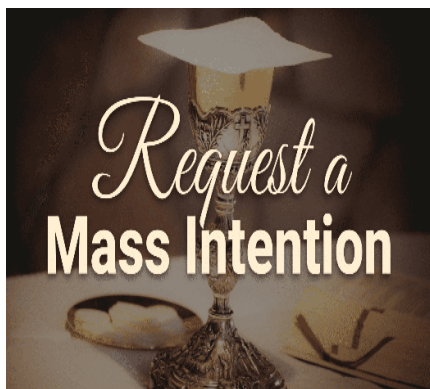
8:00 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Mass
11:00 am	Mass
1:00 pm	Pre-K-1st grade Faith Formation
3:00 pm	2nd-5th grade Faith Formation

Parish Survey

Please let us know if the parish was to implement the usage of permanent name tags would you and your family consistently wear them for Mass?

Use the QR code below. Only one response per family.

TODAY is the last day to respond!



The 2026 Mass Intentions book is open. Please visit the office if you'd like to request a Mass.

LOST & FOUND

Please Check Often and Take What is Yours.



think you may have forgotten something at church, please check. It is currently overflowing with items. Thank you for your attention to this matter!

Attention Parishioners: On the first of every month, the lost and found in our vestibule will be emptied. If you



Parishioners,

Please remain aware of your surroundings while entering and leaving the church. If you notice anything unusual (like a car parked for long periods of time in the extremities of the lot), please stay in your vehicle or in the church, and call the Chesterfield County Non-Emergency line: 804-748-1251. Thank you for doing your part to keep our parish safe.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

Consider signing up for one of the many ministries of the parish. It is a great way to get to know more people, give back and grow in your faith. See the many ways you can serve Christ in the world by visiting www.saintgabriel.org/

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.



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Liturgy



At all Masses today, all veterans will be blessed.

Attention/FYI: 2025 Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve: 4 and 10 pm. There will be carol singing at 9:30 pm. There is also a 6:30 pm Mass at Good Samaritan.

Christmas Day: 10 am



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception Masses at 9 am and 7 pm

Dec. 11 Advent Reconciliation Service— 7 pm

Dec. 12 Christmas Pageant and Concert



Want to help decorate the Church for the Advent Season?

Contact Lisa Gorton at lisa.gorton@saintgabriel.org or 804-639-6712 to assist with the transformation of the worship space happening, Sat. Nov. 29, 10 am.

Do your children love to sing?

Students in second grade and older can sign up to join our Children's



Choir, which will sing at the Parish Nativity Pageant and the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals will be on Mondays in December from 6-7pm. Sign up through the QR code, and contact Emily Rosenberger with questions.



Children and Youth

The Diocesan Youth Conference (Feb. 20-22, 2026) is an annual event bringing together 1000+ high school youth to celebrate their Catholic faith!



Open to all 9th - 12th graders, DYC offers Mass with Bishop Knestout, an opportunity for reconciliation, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, keynote talks, breakout sessions, RISE Against Hunger, inflatables and more!

Registration forms are on the Children and Youth Ministry table in the commons. Turn in the completed registration form by November 21st and get the early bird registration fee of \$175. Registrations after November 21st are full price of \$225. Fee covers lodging, meals on Saturday and Sunday morning, snacks, and t-shirt! Questions should be directed to Carole Cox in the office.

Sign up for the Nativity Pageant!

We need lots of children and youth to bring the nativity story to life for our parish family. Angels, shepherds, sheep, wise men, oh my!



Sign up with this QR Code. Rehearsals are on 11/23, 12/7 and 12/10. The pageant and choir concert are on Friday, Dec. 12th at 7 pm! Adult volunteers are needed too! For more information, contact carole.cox@saintgabriel.org



NEXT WEEK is Faith Formation !

1 pm— Pre-K—1st grade
3 pm— 2nd— 5th grade

Middle and high school youth - join us for a Tacky Light Tour on Saturday, December 13th, 7 - 9 pm. Sign-up at the Children and Youth Ministry table by November 30th. Cost is \$10, plus donation for the food pantry. More details are on the Children and Youth Ministry table.



Social Justice



*"For it is in giving
that we receive"*
– St. Francis of Assisi

Be an "angel" to someone this Christmas season. You can choose one or more of the designated charities listed below.

Use the QR code at the bottom to make your donation or use one of the Angel Tree envelopes located on the Welcome Table in the commons.

Once you have made your donation, take an angel from one of the Christmas trees in the commons and put it on your tree at home. Please keep the people we are helping this year in your prayers.

We will be purchasing gift cards through our scrip program and distributing them to each agency. Last day to donation is Monday, December 1.

St. Gabriel Families - Reaching out and helping families in our parish who are experiencing difficult times.

Catholic Charities - Was founded over a century ago by men and women who believed that the collective efforts of the church to faithfully serve people in need could change the course of poverty in our nation. Donations are to support foster children.

Mary's Choice RVA - Provides a Christ centered program of guidance and support for women facing a crisis during pregnancy. They provide a nurturing safe home with support services, educational opportunities and access to health services.

St. Joseph Villa - They are dedicated to helping children and youth reach their potential. We create brighter futures for children of all socioeconomic backgrounds faced with developmental disabilities, diverse learning styles, mental health issues, homelessness and other challenges.

Student Support Services - Supports students in need throughout the Chesterfield County Public School System.

***Saint Francis Home** is fully funded this year, thanks to generous donations from private organizations! Praise God!



Christian Care

Prayer Shawl
Ministry



Help out with Knitting November

The Praying Hands Ministry produces prayer shawls, lapghans (some for our Vets), baby blankets, chemo hats, March for Life scarves and countless prayer squares for baptisms, cursillos and the military. These gifts equate to nearly \$4,000 in outreach each year and they operate on donation only. Please help support this beautiful ministry.

Donations: PLEASE NO WOOL, and preference is for Caron brand, 1-pound packages but welcome any donations. Donations can be put in the bin located by the library. Financial donations are also welcome – indicate on the envelope the gift is for Praying Hands.

Volunteers: Want to be a part of this beautiful outreach ministry? Contact Helen Lathrop at helenlathrop@gmail.com or call the parish office. You do not have to attend the weekly Friday morning meetings to participate.

Diocesan

Married Couples: Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not



celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Space is limited so make your reservation now! Upcoming experiences are:

December 5-7, 2025. - Ocean City, NJ

February 13-15, 2026 - Waynesboro VA

March 6-8, 2026 - Hampton VA

For more information please call 757-690-1369 or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location.

Other



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Events to pay
attention to this
month!

COATS FOR KIDS WINTER COAT DRIVE



Collecting coats until November 23rd.
Christmas cards are also on sale through
November 30, until supplies last!

Interested in Vocations?

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -
November 16, 2025**

World Day of Cloistered Life – November 21st

*"By your perseverance you will secure your
lives." (Luke 21:19)*

Consider the hidden yet powerful witness of those
in cloistered religious life. Is God calling you to a life
of prayer and contemplation? Talk to your priest or
reach out to the Vocation Office at (804) 359-5661 or
via email: mandrus@richmonddiocese.org.

Scripture for the Week of 11/9

Sun: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Mon: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

Tues: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

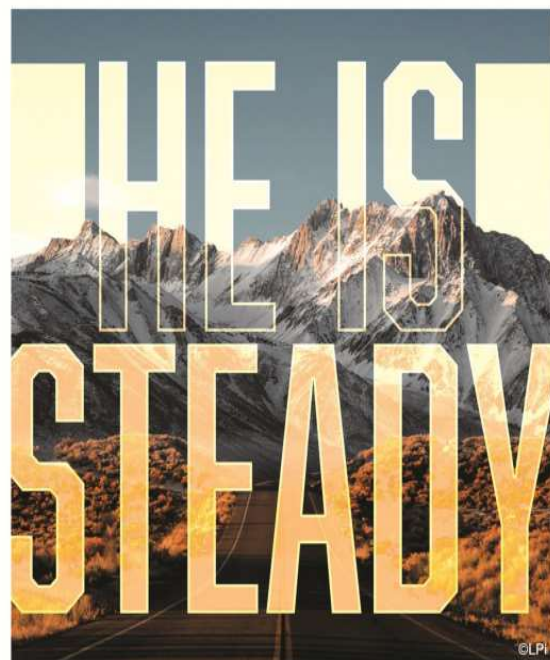
Wed: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; Lk 19:11-28

Thurs: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

Fri: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12; Lk 19:45-48

Sat: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

Next Sun: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: **"Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8)**. In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop.

— Father John Muir



Good Samaritan
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Financial information for the week ending November 2 was \$.

Mass Intentions at time of publication: Mass intention available

Nov 16: 2 pm– Youth Formation, Sacrament Prep

Nov 21: 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary

Nov 27: Thanksgiving Dinner

Nov 30: 2 pm– Youth Formation, Sacrament Prep

Nov 20: 12 pm– Luncheon

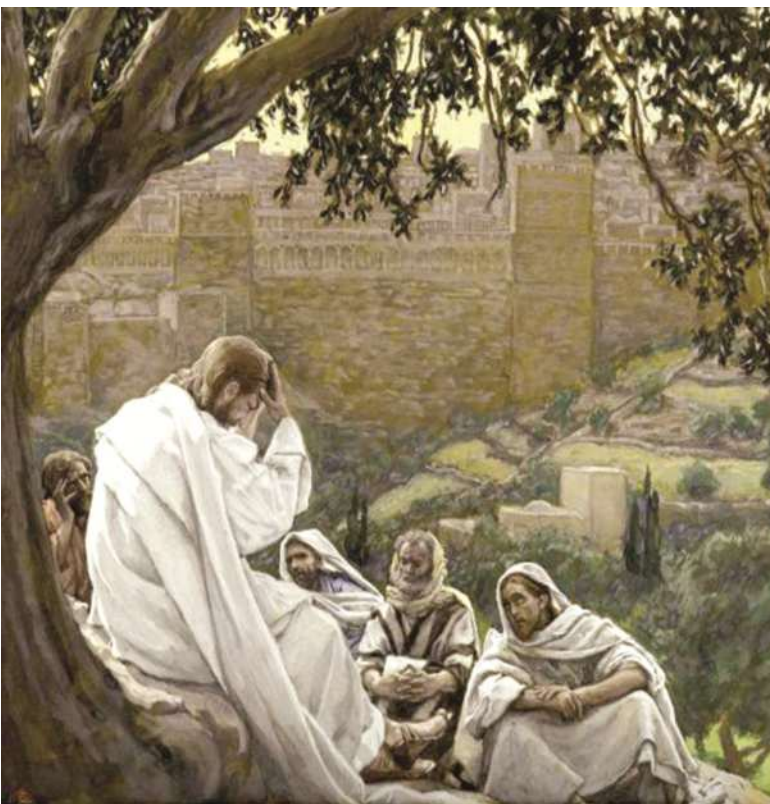
Nov 22: 7 pm– Hispanic Rosary

Nov 29: Advent Begins; 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 2 de noviembre es \$.

Sábados 7 p.m. **Rosario Hispano**

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

22 de noviembre a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

23 de noviembre a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

Trigésimo tercer domingo del tiempo ordinario – 16 de noviembre de 2025

Jornada Mundial de la Vida Claustal – 21 de noviembre

"Si se mantienen firmes, llegarán a tener la vida." (Lucas 21:19)

Pensemos en el testimonio oculto pero poderoso de quienes participan en la vida religiosa de clausura. ¿Dios os está llamando a una vida de oración y contemplación? Hablad con vuestro sacerdote o contactad 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!

33^{ER} DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

"Con esto darán testimonio de mí.

Grábense bien que no tienen que preparar de antemano su defensa, porque yo les daré palabras sabias, a las que no podrá resistir ni contradecir ningún adversario de ustedes". - Lc 21, 13-15

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