

NOVEMBER 2, 2025 | THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

## 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 Lathruphlathrupl@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

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

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



#### Mass Intentions at time of publication

Wed., Nov 5, 9:00 am
Thur., Nov 6, 9:00 am
Fri., Nov 7, 9:00 am
Christine lacometta
Charlie Kirk
Larry Kirian

Sat., Nov 8, 5:30 pm Mary Gunning

Sun., Nov 9, 9:00 am For the parish, and for Dan Gracey

Sun., Nov 9, 11:00 am Leslie Satterfield

**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 2 - FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND

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

#### Monday, November 3

10:00 am | Arts and Environment

11:00 am | Rosary

#### Tuesday, November 4– ELECTION DAY

9:00 am | Rosary

9:00 am | Centering Prayer

7:00 pm | Fishermen

7:00 pm | Lectionary Study

#### Wednesday, November 5

8:15 am | Rosary 9:00 am | Mass 9:45 am | WINGS

6:30 pm | Adult Faith Formation

6:30 pm | Cantor/Instrumentalist Rehearsal 6:30 pm | Respect Life Ministry Meeting

7:00 pm | Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, November 6

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

7:00 pm | Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 pm | Order of Christian Initiation of

Adults

#### Friday, November 7

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

9:30 am | Exposition, Adoration, and

Benediction

10:30 am | Bible Study 10:30 am | Praying Hands

#### Saturday, November 8

9:00 am | Baptism Class

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

#### Sunday, November 9

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

12:00 pm | Richmond Friends of the Homeless

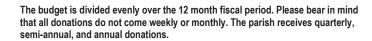
1:00 pm | High School Formation 3:30 pm | Middle School Formation

## **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 OR code below. Only one response per family.

Last day to respond is November 16.



### 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/

## IT'S FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND!

There will be fellowship after all Masses, in the commons. Please stay and enjoy fellowship with our community.





Please Check Often and Take What is Yours.







**Attention** Parishioners: On the first of every month, the lost and found in our vestibule will be

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



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.



#### 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.



#### Shop with Scrip from your phone with the RaiseRight app!

- 1. Download the RaiseRight mobile app from the app store using your smartphone or tablet
- 2. Enter the enrollment code to join. Call office for enrollment code.
- 3. The brand gives back to St. Gabriel the moment you buy a gift card—at no extra cost to you!

Have questions? Call the ShopWithScrip Customer Support team at 1-800-727-4715, Option 3.



#### 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 guarterly rebate check for \$409.06. The total for 2025/26 thus far is \$409.06.



## Liturgy

# Today we commemorate All Saints and All Souls

Today as you arrive for Mass, you can light a vigil candle to represent all of your family and friends who have passed that



you wish to remember. You are also invited to bring photos of your loved ones who have passed for the Table of Remembrance that will be displayed until Nov. 23.



At all Masses the weekend of November 15/16th, 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.







## 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 **THIS Saturday**, **November 8, 9 a.m. to noon**, with baptisms to be celebrated on Sunday, October 28 at 11 a.m. For additional class and baptism dates visit: <a href="www.saintgabriel.org/baptism">www.saintgabriel.org/baptism</a>. If you have questions, contact Lisa Gorton at 804-639-6712 or email lisa.gorton@ saintgabriel.org.

### **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 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> and get the early bird registration fee of \$175. Registrations after November 21<sup>st</sup> 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.



## NEXT SUNDAY Faith Formation!

1 pm—High School
3:30 pm— Middle
School

\* Please remember to bring your CCHASM Thanksgiving donation items to class!

### **Social Justice**

## Richmond Friends of the Homeless Bagged Lunches NEXT 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.

## CCHASM Thanksgiving Meal Drive

Thanksgiving
Food Drive

For more than 35 years,

CCHASM has provided families across

Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie,

Hopewell, Petersburg and Prince George with
the ingredients for a meaningful Thanksgiving.

With Rising costs and food insecurity affecting thousands, our Thanksgiving Program ensures that no one in our community is forgotten during the holiday. Each family receives a full nonperishable Thanksgiving meal bag to support a celebration at home.

## Each meal is identical therefore please only purchase items and, in the size, listed below:

- 1 40 oz. can of yams or sweet potatoes
- 1 13 oz. box of mashed potatoes
- 1 14 oz. can of cranberry sauce
- 2 15 oz. cans of corn
- 2 15 Oz. Cans of green vegetables
- 2 boxes of Stove Top Stuffing (no bags)
- 2 cans or packages of gravy (no glass jars)
- 1 box of hot chocolate
- 1 box of tea bags
- 1 box or bag of cookies

#### Please:

- Check all items for expiration dates. We cannot give out expired food.
- All items must be in their original saleable packages, no pre-opened items, no bulk items.
- Please place all items in double paper bags with handles or canvas grocery bags.

Bring your items with you to Mass either the weekend of November 8/9 or 15/16. You can always drop your items off at the office during normal business hours.

Each meal also comes with a \$20 Food Lion gift card to put toward a Thanksgiving meal. You can make a monetary donation toward purchasing gift cards using the QR code. Click on "one-time donation," and scroll down the fund list to select CCHASM Thanksgiving. You may also donate by check; please make it payable to St. Gabriel

Catholic Church and write

"Thanksgiving Meal" on the memo line. You can mail checks in, or drop off in the church office or the mail slot at the Welcome Table. Thanks!





"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.

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

<u>Catholic Charities</u> - 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.

<u>St. Francis Home</u> - It's their purpose at the St. Francis Home to offer assisted living services at a rate substantially lower than the industry standard.

<u>St. Joseph Villa</u> - 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.



#### **Christian Care**



## 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 Lathrup at hlathrop1@earthlink.net or call the parish office. You do not have to attend the weekly Friday morning meetings to participate.

### Other

## **Volunteers Needed!** Motel to Home Program

## Helping working families get a fresh start!

#### What is the Motel to Home Program?

Often, our neighbors in need will find shelter in an extended stay motel. They are working and can afford the rent, but they are unable to save for a deposit, for a true home of their own. This program helps with a deposit and other move-in costs, while providing case management for one year, to help those we serve.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, with St. Vincent de Paul Richmond's Motel to Home Program, reach out today! **Training & Guidance Provided!** 



Questions & Info | thorvath@svdp-rvacouncil.org More about SVDP Richmond | svdp-rvacouncil.org

#### 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

- Waynesboro VA February 13-15, 2026

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.

#### Interested in Vocations?

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) - November 2, 2025; **National Vocation Awareness Week** 

"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day." (John 6:40)

As we celebrate All Souls' Day and begin National Vocation Awareness Week, pray for the souls of the departed and more holy vocations. Reflect on whether Christ may be calling you to guide and shepherd the living as a priest or religious brother or sister. 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 11/2

**Sun:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Mon: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-

Tues: Rom 12:5-16; Ps 131:1b-3; Lk 14:15-24

**Wed:** Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33 **Thurs:** Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10

Fri: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8

**Sat:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-

Cor 3:9-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Next Sun:** Ez 47:1-2; 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1



## Financial information for the week ending October 19 was \$ Mass Intentions at time of publication:

Nov 2: 2 pm-Youth Formation, Sacrament Prep

**Nov 7:** 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary **Nov 8:** 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary

Nov 15: 9 am – Quilters; 7 pm - Hispanic Rosary

Nov 20: 12 pm- Luncheon

Nov 4: 9:30 am-Quilters; 7 pm-Steering Meeting

Nov 14: 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary

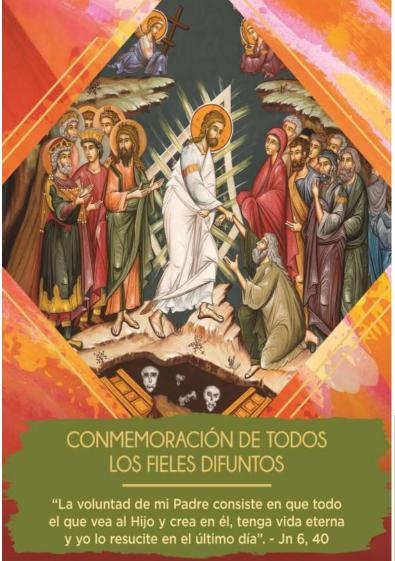
Nov 16: 2 pm- Youth Formation, Sacrament Prep

Nov 21: 7 pm- Hispanic Rosary

Baptisms: Visit <a href="www.saintgabriel.org/qsbaptismform">www.saintgabriel.org/qsbaptismform</a> 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 19 de octubre es \$.

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

8 de noviembre a las 4 pm: Sean Thomas 9 de noviembre a las 4 pm: Intención de misa disponible

#### Conmemoración de todos los fieles difuntos (Día de los Fieles Difuntos) – 2 de noviembre de 2025; Semana Nacional de Concientización sobre las Vocaciones

"Porque ésta es la voluntad de mi Padre: que todo aquel que ve al Hijo y cree en él, tenga vida eterna; y yo le resucitaré en el último día" (Juan 6:40)

Mientras celebramos el Día de los Fieles Difuntos y comenzamos la Semana Nacional de Concientización sobre las Vocaciones, oremos por las almas de los difuntos y por vocaciones más santas. Reflexionemos sobre si Cristo puede estar llamándonos a guiar y pastorear a los vivos como sacerdote o hermano o hermana religiosa. 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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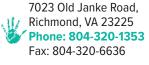
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