

The Parish Community of St. Gabriel the Archangel SADDLE RIVER

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MASSES:

Weekdays: 9:00 AM (including Saturday) — (Summer)

Monday and Friday: 9:00 AM and 12:00 Noon

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 6:30AM and 9:00 AM — (Winter)

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM

Sundays: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM and 6:00PM (Sept. - May)

Holy Days: Please see bulletin for schedule

PENANCE:

Saturday: 4:00-5:00 PM. At the Parish anytime by appointment. Communal Celebration of Penance periodically throughout the year.

BAPTISMS:

Our parish family rejoices in the birth of your children. To prepare for baptism, parents are expected to attend one preparation meeting. Godparents who are not members of St. Gabriel's must provide a Sponsor Certification, from the parish which they attend, attesting to their eligibility to serve as Godparent. Please call the parish office for the schedule of preparation meetings and Baptism celebration.

MARRIAGES:

Our parish is honored to host your marriage celebration. In order to accomplish all of the necessary preparations, arrangements should be made with one of the parish priests at least one year in advance. Pre-Cana and God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage classes can be arranged through the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark at www.rcan.org.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

For those of advanced age and those seriously ill, contact the parish office. Holy Communion will be brought to the home of any person permanently or temporarily homebound. Please contact the parish office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Please register at the parish office. This is a wise way of acquiring a sense of belonging to our Parish Community. If you move or change your address, please notify the parish office.

From the Pastor

In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply.

Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it.

Peace,
Fr. Frank

Blessed Pauline von Mallinckrodt **Beatified April 14, 1985**



The Turning Point

Early in 1842, Pauline made her first retreat—and loved it! Echoing the sentiments of many who have experienced this blessing, she exclaimed:

“I will never be able to find words to express the gratitude I owe to God for this extraordinary grace. I looked at my life, my very being, in an entirely new light and made firm resolutions for the future...Jesus, let me be like soft wax in Your hands. Do with me what You will...I am utterly Yours.”

As so often happens, the graces she received in this retreat were to be needed almost immediately. Upon her return home, Pauline found her father desperately ill. A month later, April 4, 1842, he died.

The four Mallinckrodt children tried to resume “life as usual” in Paderborn and Boeddeken; but much as they loved being together, they knew it was time to move on with their own lives. After one last trip together through Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and northern Italy, they parted ways. George took over Boeddeken, Herman moved to Berlin, following his father in a career in politics, Bertha stayed with relatives before marrying Alfred Heuffer, and Pauline decided, against the advice of most of her relatives, to become a Sister.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Those recently joined in Matrimony:
Jonathan Todd Betley & Chelsea Christina Dunich

Our sick and homebound:
Jane Ball, Josephine D’Elia,
Baby James Jack D’Agostino. Helen DeLorenzo
Ada Fields, Baby Grace Gilbert
Bill Hamilton, Mary Noone
Catherine Heafy Rose
Joan Snow, Richard Straut

ST JOHN’S ACADEMY SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Since St. Gabriel's never had a Catholic school, the parish has been associated with St. John's Academy in Hillsdale as our co-partner school and some of our parishioners attend the school. There is a school advisory board, made up of parents, pastors and other parishioners, that help the principal in the various aspects of making sure that the children get the best Catholic education as possible. The advisory board is looking for a member of our parish, not a parent of a student who attends the school, to join the board. The board could especially use someone with strong technology skills that would be able to guide them in decisions regarding servers, laptops, Smartboards, iPads, etc. If you have this particular skill and would like to serve on the school advisory board, please contact Fr. Frank for additional information.

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS AND GENEROUS PARISHIONERS!

Kathy Buck will be working onsite the week of August 24-28th at our church setting up the advertising sponsorships for our bulletin. Please consider advertising in our bulletin. Advertisements may be purchased by a business, club, or a sponsor ad may be purchased supporting community service organizations such as cancer awareness or a homeless shelter, etc. We need and appreciate your help. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Kathy directly at (800) 888-4574 ext 3429 or email Kbuck@4lpi.com.

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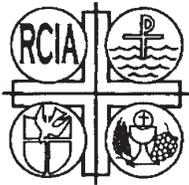
FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection for August 9 was \$10,404.50. Thank you for your continued generosity. God bless you and your families.

THE WEEK AHEAD AT ST. GABRIEL'S
AA Meetings Monday thru Saturday
7 AM Parish Center

Friday, August 21, 2015
Parish Office Closed

**RCIA –
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**



If you or someone you know has not received any or one of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, or Confirmation), or would like to become a Catholic, or come into full communion with the Catholic Faith from another Christian religion, then this program is for you.

RCIA is an initiation process into the Catholic Faith which usually culminates on Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil Mass. Classes are held on Sunday morning at 9:15 AM and will begin when you are ready. Please contact Sr. Esther at the parish office if interested. (201) 327-5663.

STILL WAITING FOR GOD TO SAY "YES?"

Even the most faithful Christians can get discouraged in prayer. It can be disheartening when you have your heart set on something, pray hard for it, but the hoped for result doesn't happen. It is important to remember that God hears you and he always answers prayer. He loves you more than you can imagine and wants the best for you. In fact, he knows what you need better than you do.

Answers to prayer usually fall into one of three responses: 1) Yes; 2) Not right now; and 3) I have a better idea. The best approach is to make your request, trust him to do the right thing, and then look for his answer. Try not to get set on any one answer.

Perhaps God wants you to wait to increase your appreciation or because he doesn't think you are ready yet. Perhaps he has something better in mind. Whatever the answer—and there is always an answer—remember that it comes from his incredible and personal love.

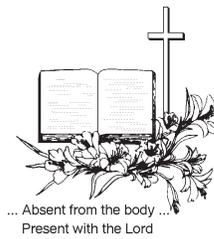
FEASTS AND CELEBRATIONS

St. John Eudes (1680) Born on a farm in Normandy France, John was priest and parish missionary in the Diocese of Seez. Concerned with the spiritual state of the clergy, he reformed and started seminaries. To promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, he founded the Congregation of Jesus and Mary (Eudists).

GOING ON VACATION?

Are you traveling this summer and need to locate a Catholic Church? Visit www.masstimes.org, download the Mass Times iPhone app on iTunes.

FALL BEREAVEMENT GROUP



'Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.'

When someone we love has been taken from us, we often find ourselves dealing with change and transition. Many offer their help, but do not always understand the loss we are feeling. Bereavement support groups are one way to find support from others who are going through the same process. We cannot go around the grief process, over it, or under it. We need to go through it; we need to be good to ourselves, putting balance into our lives through prayer, reading, resting, relaxation and work. Grief takes time. Unrealistic expectations undermine the healing process.

The parishes of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Gabriel and St. Catharine are jointly sponsoring a Bereavement Support Group which will meet on Wednesday evenings in the fall at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel located at 1 Passaic St in Ridgewood. You need not be a parishioner to attend. The group will meet from 7:30-9:00 pm and run for nine consecutive weeks beginning on September 23 and ending on November 18.

Pre-registration is required - please contact Drew Rodney at 201-214-4637 or drewrod@optonline.net. All calls are confidential.

BOX TOPS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S



St. Gabriel's continues to collect Box Tops for St. Michael's School in Newark. The Box Top program is one of the nation's largest school fundraising loyalty programs and has been helping schools succeed since 1996. With over 250 participating products, it's an easy way for schools to earn cash for the things they need. Each Box Tops coupon is worth 10¢ and they add up fast! The coupons are on products we buy at our local supermarkets everyday. St. Michael's will be able to use the Box Tops cash to buy whatever they need most, from books to supplies and other school programs. So please look for these coupons on your groceries and start to clip. There is a collection box display in the lobby of the church. As always, thank you for your support of St. Michael's.

WHY DO CATHOLICS DO THAT?

God created us to know him, to love him and to serve him. In Mass, when we make the three Signs of the Cross on our foreheads, lips and hearts before the Gospel reading, we are dedicating ourselves to God. We pray, "Lord, be on my mind, be on my lips and be in my heart." We ask God to be in us as we hear the Gospel, so that we can truly "love and serve the Lord" by our Lives.

AUGUST 16, 2015

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, August 15, 2015

9:00 AM Rosemary Murray
5:00 PM Maria Mircovich

SUNDAY, August 16, 2015

8:00 AM Rose Benvengo
10:00 AM Richard Stefanacci
11:30 AM Gabrielle Gruszczynski

MONDAY, August 17, 2015

9:00 AM Rose Petrone

TUESDAY, August 18, 2015

9:00 AM David J. Borrone

WEDNESDAY, August 19, 2015

9:00 AM People of the Parish

THURSDAY, August 20, 2015

9:00 AM Robert Gildersleave

FRIDAY, August 21, 2015

9:00 AM Marie Wingard

SATURDAY, August 22, 2015

9:00 AM Helen Marie Galvin
5:00 PM John M Phelan

SUNDAY, August 23, 2015

8:00 AM Yvonne Oghie
10:00 AM Fran Waters
11:30 AM George Pinyuh & Marion Trainer

 **IN LOVING
REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament and the Altar Bread and Wine are available as memorials. Please contact the parish office at 201-327-5663 for further information.