

The Parish Community of St. Gabriel the Archangel SADDLE RIVER

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St. John's Academy

Hillsdale Avenue, Hillsdale, N.J. 07642 • 664-6364

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MASSES:

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

Monday and Friday: 9:00 AM

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

Today's responsorial psalm, Psalm 40, is more familiar to us with the refrain "Here am I, Lord." This "Here am I" is Jeremiah's great prophetic response to God's call. But today's story of Jeremiah and the refrain "Lord, come to my aid!" remind us that there are always two sides to following the call of God. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews knew this, too. He reminded his readers that even weighted down with burdens and sins, we can still persevere by keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, who himself knew the shame and pain of the cross, but saw beyond it to the joy of sitting at the right of the throne of God.

Jesus himself gave the disciples a "sneak preview" of a baptism that would not be as wondrous as the one in the Jordan that inaugurated his ministry, but would be one of fire and anguish. Today's words from scripture may not be terribly soothing, but in their honesty and strength we can acknowledge the difficulties of daily discipleship, and take comfort in the assurance of our own salvation in Christ.

Peace,
Fr. Frank

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB AT ST GABRIEL'S



Announcing the "Senior Social Club" forming in St. Gabriel's Parish this coming September! This an exciting venture that we hope will attract many Members. Each month there is a different activity of fun

food, and parishioners. For September we have planned an ice-cream social with a 50's music and dancing! Start planning your wardrobe. Do you women have a poodle skirt somewhere in your closet? Time to get it out!

ANNUAL LA FESTA ITALIANA

Our Lady of Mount Virgin Catholic Church, 188 MacArthur Avenue in Garfield will hold its annual La Festa Italiana on their Church grounds Thursday, August 18 through Sunday August 21, 2016. Feast hours Thursday and Friday 6PM to 11 PM; Saturday, 4 PM to 11 PM and Sunday 4 PM to 10 PM. This traditional Italian Street feast features great food, live entertainment, games, rides, raffles. For more information, please contact the Mount Virgin rectory at (973) 772-2295.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Feast of the Assumption falls on a Monday, August 15 this year. When this occurs the obligation to attend Mass for the holy day has been dispensed by the church. We will have the usual 9 AM Mass for the Feast of the Assumption

POSITION AVAILABLE

Dominican Convent in Sparkill NY seeks PT liturgist/organist for Sat. eve Mass, funerals, & special feasts: also directs Sisters' choir. For more info, go to: <http://bit.ly/Sparkill>. Contact: mpalliser@sparkill.org.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:

Our recently baptized

Alessia Sirianni
Bianca Soledad Murphy

Those recently joined in Matrimony

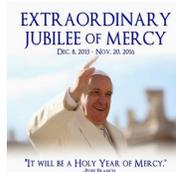
Nicholas James Rosato/Chelsea Marie Mercurio
Leonard Henry Patterson/Larisa Christine Bravette

Our sick and homebound:

Jane Ball, Jean Cohen, Josephine D'Elia,
Baby James Jack D'Agostino, Helen DeLorenzo
Ada Fields, Meg Gallagher, Baby Grace Gilbert
Tony Galante, Lauren Harpster Hines,
Mary Noone, Lou Perrin, Joan Snow
Richard Straut, Nicole Trotta

YEAR OF MERCY

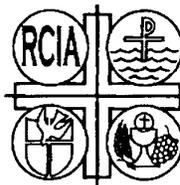
Excerpts from Pope Francis' letter on the Year of Mercy



There is an aspect of mercy that goes beyond the confines of the Church. It relates us to Judaism and Islam, both of which consider mercy to be one of God's most important attributes. Israel was the first to receive this revelation which continues in history as a source of the inexhaustible richness meant to be shared with all mankind. As we have seen, the pages of the Old Testament are steeped in mercy, because they narrate the works that the Lord performed in favor of his people at the most trying moments of their history. Among the privileged names that Islam attributes to the Creator are "merciful and Kind". This invocation is often on the lips of faithful Muslims who feel themselves accompanied and sustained by mercy in their daily weakness. They too believe that no one can place a limit on divine mercy because its doors are always open.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:



Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? We will begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church and our parish family. We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These gatherings that will begin in September are for inquirers and are open to: People who are unbaptized; Baptized Christians from other faith backgrounds; Adults who are already baptized Catholic, but who need to prepare for Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. For further information or help in this matter please contact Sr. Esther at 201-327-5663 ext 305 or stop by the office at St. Gabriel's Church.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The amount of the collection on August 7 was \$10,795.00. God bless you and your family for your continued support.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

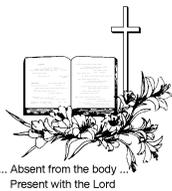
Friday, August 19, 2016
Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 20, 2016
11:30 AM Baptism

Sunday, August 21, 2016
11:00 AM—Baptism Prep

FALL BEREAVEMENT GROUP

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



... Absent from the body ...
Present with the Lord

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 fall Bereavement Support Group. You need not be a parishioner to attend. The group will meet in Glen Rock at St. Catharine Church (905 South Maple Avenue) on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm and will run for nine consecutive weeks beginning on September 27 and ending on November 22.

Pre-registration is required - please contact Drew Rodney at 201-214-4637. All calls are confidential.

ST, JOHN'S ACADEMY



School Nurse

Saint John's Academy
is seeking a qualified part-time school nurse for the
2016-2017 school year.

The successful applicant would work Mondays and Fridays,
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you are interested in applying for the position, please forward a
copy of your resume and credentials to

Principal Elizabeth Viola at
eviola@sja-hillsdale.org.

Please feel free to call Mrs. Viola at
201-664-6364 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Women's Cornerstone Retreat

Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22, 2016

Contact Christine Ferreri with any questions:
Christineferreri79@gmail.com or 201-747-6371



COMING HOME

WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE 2016
GIFTED WITH GOD'S PEACE & GRACE

GOD'S PEACE

As I face the rising sun,

Feeling its warmth and promise of the new day,
I thank the loving God for gracing me with His peace,
In my home, in my heart, and within the depths of my soul.

Amen

Plant the seed and bring a friend!

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.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth Group: During the school year the Youth Group meets every Sunday night in the Kavin Center from 7:00-8:30pm. All high school teenagers are welcome to join us. Meetings are structured yet informal, and they usually consist of a discussion topic, group dynamics, prayer, and socializing. Feel free to bring a friend along with you. Whether you've been involved in our program before or not, you are always welcome to attend our meetings. Refreshments are served.

Summer Schedule: During July and August there are no Youth Group meetings on Sunday night.

IN THE KNOW

What's happening in the parish? The bulletin is a good start though there's more to be found on the parish website: StGabrielSR.org. Check it out today!

AUGUST 14, 2016

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, August 13, 2016

9:00 AM Dr. Paul Prior
5:00 PM Carmen Pascale

SUNDAY, August 14, 2016

8:00 AM Robert Brayton
10:00 AM Kevin O'Halloran
11:30 AM Robert Lawson

MONDAY, August 15, 2016

9:00 AM Bruce Studley

TUESDAY, August 16, 2016

9:00 AM Peter Chan

WEDNESDAY, August 17, 2016

9:00 AM For the People of the Parish

THURSDAY, August 18, 2016

9:00 AM Isabelle Kenyon

FRIDAY, August 19, 2016

9:00 AM Isabelle Kenyon

SATURDAY, August 20, 2016

9:00 AM Jillian Bernadette Walsh
Living Intention
5:00 PM Dominic Stampone

SUNDAY, August 21, 2016

8:00 AM James Dowden
10:00 AM Catherine Heafy Rose
11:30 AM William Johnson



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of August 14 for James S. Gallagher as requested by Ron & Camille Giancristofaro.

The Altar Bread & Wine to be consecrated during the week of August 14 is for James S. Gallagher as requested by Ron & Camille Giancristofaro.