



# *St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church*

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## **PARISH STAFF**

Rev. Msgr. Frank G. Del Prete  
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## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Patricia Pula, M.A.R.E.  
Director, ext. 304  
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## **PARISH SCHOOL**

St. John's Academy, Hillsdale



## **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. 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 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](http://www.rcan.org).

## **MINISTRY TO THE SICK:**

For those of advanced age or seriously ill, 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.

## From the Pastor

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley - I fear no evil; for you are at my side - with your rod and your staff - that give me courage," connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."

Peace,  
Fr. Frank

### **PRAYER SHAWL MEETING**

**Monday May 8, 2017  
1:00 PM to 2 PM**



St. Gabriel's has a prayer shawl ministry. If you crochet or knit and would like to help us offer a tangible sign of prayerful support to someone going through a difficult time please bring your yarn, needles or hooks, pattern and join us! . If you are new to needlework and want to participate, we'll help you learn. For information, please contact Sister Esther at 201-3275663 ext 305 The meeting will be held in the Parish Center.

### **MAY CROWNING**



Next Sunday, May 14, Mothers' Day, our First Communion children will crown our Blessed Mother, Mary, as our Queen. We invite you to join us at the 11:30 AM Mass for this special occasion.

### **SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB PICNIC**

On May 18 we will hold our last social of the year. It will be from 1:00-3:00, as usual, but will be held in the Parish Life Center right off the lower parking lot. An 'old fashioned' hot dog/hamburger picnic with games is on the agenda. As usual, those who have paid membership for the year will automatically be counted for attendance. Those who pay monthly, please get your reservation and payment in by May 15<sup>th</sup> at the latest. Seating is limited. Our own dear pastor, Fr. Frank, will be at the grill preparing the meat.



### **MEN'S RETREAT**

The men of St. Gabriel's are invited to spend a weekend with the Lord on May 19-21, 2017, at the Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown. The silent retreat offers a singular opportunity for quiet reflection and spiritual renewal. For additional information or to register call Steve Beiter at (973) 304-1023 or Andy Coll at (973) 304-1832.

## **OUR PARISH COMMUNITY PRAYS FOR:**

### **Our Newly Baptized:**

Sarah James Carter  
Ronan Weisberg

### **Our sick and homebound:**

Jane Ball, Jean Cohen, Josephine D'Elia,  
Baby James Jack D'Agostino, Christine Danza,  
Helen DeLorenzo, Ada Fields,  
Tommy Fitzpatrick (4 years old)  
Meg Gallagher, Baby Grace Gilbert  
Tony Galante, Lauren Harpster Hines,  
Bob Kleinknecht, Lou Perrin, Joan Snow  
Richard Straut, Nicole Trotta

## **IMPORTANT MUSIC MINISTRY APPEAL**



Our worship experience at St. Gabriel's has always been enhanced by the best music possible. Ten years ago we mounted our successful plan to install a world-class pipe organ, which, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, was achieved with great success and critical acclaim throughout the sacred music community. Alongside our organ and no less important in our ministry is the sanctuary piano. It has allowed us to present versatile styles of music both in performance and for congregational singing, especially at our 6:00 pm Sunday evening Mass. However, the sound quality of the current baby grand piano we have been using has been rapidly going downhill, and the engineering of this particular instrument is now obsolete such that repair parts are no longer available. As a result, keeping the instrument in regular tune has been a challenge, and has begun to cost the parish dearly in service calls. Given the popularity and permanence of the 6:00 pm Sunday Mass and the importance the piano is adding to our regular worship, we feel it is time to replace the sanctuary piano.

The ideal grand piano to fill our beautifully acoustic space should be twice as large as the existing baby grand (between 6-7') , so as to encourage congregational singing and also to provide an appropriate instrument for accompaniment for our parish events such as our annual Christmas concert. Quality does matter here, and we have identified an impressive and beautiful pre-owned Steinway Model A grand piano through a reputable dealer which has been impeccably maintained. A Steinway, whether it be in someone's living room or a church, is an asset that holds its value and provides the finest sound available. The Model A we have identified is currently being offered for \$43,000. With the support of Fr. Frank and the Parish staff, we are asking for parishioners to consider making a special contribution to the music ministry so that we can make this instrument a reality. Our hope is that through your generosity we will see this instrument in place in time for the return of the 6:00 pm Mass after Labor Day. Please think about this opportunity and how important a quality instrument can be to all of the aspects of our parish life. If you have any questions, please chat with Stacie Yao, our Director of Music.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The amount of the April 30 collection was \$11,730.00 . Thank you for your continued generosity to St. Gabriel's. God bless you and your families.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

#### Sunday, May 7, 2017

Monthly Food Collection for St. Michaels  
7:00 PM - Youth Group Meeting, Kavin Center

#### Monday, May 8, 2017

1:00 PM—Prayer Shawl Meeting  
7:30 PM—Knights of Columbus Meeting

#### Tuesday, May 9, 2017

9:30 AM—Bereavement Group

#### Wednesday, May 10, 2017

9:30 AM—Respect Life Committee Meeting

#### Thursday, May 11, 2017

6:30 PM—Kids Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 PM—Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### Sunday, May 14, 2017

May Crowning at 11:30 AM Mass

### BLESSED PAULINE VON MALLINCKRODT



June 3, 2017 will mark the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of Blessed Pauline von Mallinckrodt (Mother Pauline), founder of the Sisters of Christian Charity. In an effort to make Mother Pauline better known, we continue our series of biographical sketches that we began last week.

At the age of seven, Pauline's parents enrolled her in a private academy. All seemed to be going well until Pauline began to arrive late for school each day. Her teacher was puzzled, especially when she noticed the heavy and bulging schoolbag that Pauline dragged into school. An examination revealed pieces of broken glass in the schoolbag.

"Pauline, where in the world did you get all this glass?" demanded her teacher.

"I found it on the street. Poor children who don't have any shoes might hurt their feet," was Pauline's innocent reply.

Already a love for the poor was beginning to take shape in Pauline's heart at an age when most children do not yet realize that life is larger than their own little world.

Please visit [sceast.org](http://sceast.org) for more information about the Sisters of Christian Charity.

### WOMEN'S COMMUNION BREAKFAST



This year's breakfast will be held on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Kavin Center. Tickets will be sold after all Masses during the weekends of 4/29 through 5/28, at \$25 per person. Tickets may also be purchased at the Parish Office.

Our Guest Speaker will be, Permanent Deacon, Kevin Raina, assigned for service to the Archdiocese of Newark, at his home parish, St. Teresa of Avila in Summit, New Jersey. You will enjoy his presentation on getting to know God's Angels and God's role for them in our lives.

## ST. JOHN'S ACADEMY NEWS

All are invited to  
the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual SJA

## FineArts FESTIVAL

May 10-11, 2017

Wed., May 10 - 2:15-3:00 p.m.

Thurs., May 11 - 2:15-3:00 p.m.

Our Evening Art Gala will be on Thurs., May 11  
beginning at 5:00 p.m.  
The school band and chorus will perform at 6:30 p.m.

All SJA students will  
have artwork on display!

Please join us!  
Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served.

### SUMMER 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. You need not be a parishioner to attend. The group will meet on Monday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm at St. Catharine in Glen Rock and will run for eight consecutive weeks beginning on June 5 and ending on July 24.

Pre-registration is required - please contact 201-444-9718. All calls are confidential.

### SPECIAL NOON MASS

A special mass and a support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter, NJ on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 12:00 noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly affected with the abuse of alcohol and/or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information please call 201-768-7565. Thank you to all who came out to support the Fr. Jim McKenna Memorial Fund Beefsteak and Reverse Raffle. It was a wonderful evening.

**MAY 7, 2017**

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**SATURDAY, May 6, 2017**

9:00 AM Dominick Santucci  
5:00 PM Christopher Dooley

**SUNDAY, May 7, 2017**

8:00 AM Joann Mayer  
10:00 AM Tina Peluso  
11:30 AM Mary DerKach  
6:00 PM Patricia Smith

**MONDAY, May 9, 2017**

9:00 AM Julian S. Mercado, Sr.

**TUESDAY, May 9, 2017**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM Roger O'Neill

**WEDNESDAY, May 10, 2017**

6:30 AM Neil Murphy  
9:00 AM Emil Stefanacci

**THURSDAY, May 11, 2017**

6:30 AM Marianna Rovis  
9:00 AM Antone LaSala

**FRIDAY, May 12, 2017**

9:00 AM Elaine Yee

**SATURDAY, May 13, 2017**

9:00 AM Erica Leixner  
5:00 PM All Mothers Living and Deceased

**SUNDAY, May 14, 2017**

8:00 AM All Mothers Living and Deceased  
10:00 AM All Mothers Living and Deceased  
11:30 AM All Mothers Living and Deceased



The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of May 7 for Maria Siervo. requested by Bob & Sylvia Re.

The Altar Bread and Wine to be consecrated during the week of May 7 is for Alfred Golluscio as requested by Laura Golluscio..