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## *St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church*

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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. 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

“Watch!” This word occurs three times in today’s Gospel passage. Moreover, it is placed at significant points: the beginning, the center, and the end. Though this is technically a parable, it is quite short, just four verses. The threefold repetition of “watch” leaves no doubt as to what the story is about.

We often think of Advent as a time of waiting, but it truly is a season of watchfulness, a very active form of waiting for the coming Day of the Lord. It is that day, more than Christmas day, that the Christian community faithfully expects, using all of our gifts and talents for this purpose, as Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Corinthians. When we use these gifts in faithful watching and expectation, we become like the servants of the parable, set to their tasks, not waiting around idly, but engaged in the master’s work until his return. May our Advent be a time when we return or rededicate our lives and our communities to this work; the active and diligent faithfulness that the Lord will expect to find.

Peace and stay safe,  
Fr. Frank

### *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation*

Friday, December 8th is the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is a holy day of obligation. Masses on the holy day will be at 6:30 am, 9:00 am and 7:00 pm.

### **THE KNIGHTS CORNER**



The Knights were recently joined by other parish members, including nearly twenty students from the CCD program, in putting together 125 Christmas care packages for U.S. Marines serving overseas. The packages contained personal care and grocery items from a list provided by the Marine Corps. A special thanks goes out to **Inserra Supermarkets** for donating all the items and to all who participated.

Our next monthly council meeting will be held on Monday, December 11th, starting with a social gathering at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:00pm. We encourage all Brother Knights to attend, especially those we haven’t seen in a while.

**Did you know?** Advent marks the beginning of the liturgical year. Advent was chosen to begin the year as representative of the time in history that Christ was not known to us. With His birth, the beginning of our faith was founded. **Advent comes from the Latin word, “adventus,” which means “coming”.**

If you are interested in joining the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus, contact a current member or send us an email at [knights@stgabrielr.org](mailto:knights@stgabrielr.org).

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

#### **Our Newly Baptized:**

Poppy James Owen  
Nicholas John Tsakalis  
Nicholas John Gamper  
Archibald Edward Douglas

#### **Those recently joined in Matrimony**

Alexander J. Long & Alexandra D. Maravic.  
Shermin Philip Manalel & Aleena Ann Chacko

#### **Our recently deceased who have entered Eternal Life:**

Jerome Warren Derenzo  
Peter C. Marron, Jr.  
Joseph M. LoScalzo

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

Salvatore Averso, Daniel Castillo  
Dawn Conguisti, Ada Fields  
Meg Gallagher, Grace Gilbert  
Bill Hamilton, Bob Kleinknecht  
Joan Massotti, George Parowski  
Nicole Trotta

*Christmas Gifts & Dinners for  
St. Michael's*

<p><b>Bring A Gift</b></p> <p>Take an ornament from the tree in the church vestibule and purchase a gift (big limit please!) for the child indicated. Gifts must be wrapped and tagged with the tag from the tree and returned no later than the evening of December 17th.</p>	<p><b>Bring A Meal</b></p> <p>Help provide a delicious Christmas dinner with a donation of food or Shop-Rite gift cards. Non perishable items can be brought to church any time. Fresh food (including turkeys) can be dropped off the weekend of December 16-17 after Saturday evening or Sunday morning masses. Donations can also be made through Faith Direct, see the QR code at the bottom.</p>
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TRUCKS WILL LEAVE THE UPPER PARKING LOT IMMEDIATELY AFTER 11:00AM MASS ON DECEMBER 17TH.

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### **ST GABRIEL'S SOCIAL CLUB Christmas Party -**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 at  
12:30 pm Parish Center

RSVP Patti Ross (201) 962-3793  
no later than **Friday December 8**  
Price \$20 - Payment due at time of reservation.

Please bring a \$10 gift for the grab bag



*In Loving Memory*

The following parishioners have made All Souls Mass Remembrance donations in memory of their loved ones.

***The Marron Family***

In memory of Peter C. Marron, Jr.

***Marianne Dalvia***

In memory of Gloria Franaccio, James & Joseph Dalvia, Jean & Joe Gumina, Eleanor & Jim Romano, Mildred & Joe Cioffi, Michael & Mary Cioffi, John & Gloria D'Alvia, Antonio & Antoinette D'Alvia, Theresa D'Alvia, Vincent & Anne Mattera, Henry & Mary Mattera, Salvatore & Eileen D'Alvia, Carl & Marie D'Alvia

***Sam Pinyuh***

In memory of Pinyuhs, Stewarts, Sidwas, Prusinas, Ventachiahs

***Mr & Mrs. Mark Sterancsak***

In memory of Virginia & Jim Monihan, Mary & Ed Hanratty, Lenore & Ray Dittrich, Rose & Anthony DiMirelli, TomDiMirelli, Theresa Edna LaRosa, April Schewchuk, Donald Lanch, Clara & Andy Ronadetta, Tom & Pauline Ronadetta, Danny Ronadetta

***Mr & Mrs. Michael Sullivan***

In memory of Joanne Q. Glaeser, William P. Quinn, Catherine Quinn, Patrick Quinn, Mary J. Quinn, Thomas Walsh, Wm. P. Quinn, Jr. Eleanor Sullivan, Thomas Sullivan, Madeline Quinn

***Mr & Mrs Charles Zabielski***

***Mr & Mrs. William Galda***

***Barry Mino***

In memory of Robert Re

***Mr & Mrs Richard A. Angerame***

***Christian Durante***

In memory of Ruth & Henry Bohnert, Iva & Vincent Durante, Robert Dougard, Karen Bohnert

***John & Marilyn Weindler***


In memory of Anna Weindler, John Weindler, Eleanor Starace, Vincent Starace

***Maura & John Deegan***

In memory of William Deegan, Kevin O'Halloran

***Thomas & Diana Pascale***

In memory of Carmen Pascale, Carmen Marano, Theresa Marano, Mr & Mrs Albert Pascale



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***Mr & Mrs. Lawrence Russo***

In memory of the Lawrence Russo Family, Lawrence Russo Jr. Family, Edward Russo Family, Edward Shelton Family, Kim & Mike Pembroke

***The Lasala Family***

In memory of Antone Lasala, Michael & Angelina Lasala, Camille Munsch, Anthony & Lucy LoRusso

***Pierre & Cecilia Zreik***

***Melody Zima***

In memory of Leslie T. Giblin, Gretchen Giblin, Linda Wittman, Ernest Zima, Wanda & Eddie Tybeke, Bob Westman, Tom Farley, Pauleen & Johnny Bergen, Lily Lane, Betty & Art Ganghoun, Tim Lawrence

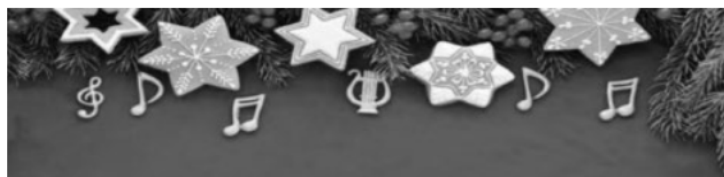
***Mr & Mrs Thomas S. Niemeier***

***Margaret Minuto***

In memory of Vincent & Mary Moscatello & Family Anthony & Angie Minuto & Family Fran & Johnny Manelli, Gloria & Danny Moscatello, Jean & Joey Moscatello, Irene & Charles Todant, Ben & Tina Moscatello, Jimmy & Vincent Moscatello, JoAnn Minuto, Maria DePasquale, Tina Tiluso, Fran Rinaldo, Lucille Tese, Lina Fia, Josephine Damico & boys, Benny & Tina Moscatello, Rose & Alfred DiPetrillo

***FINANCIAL REPORT***

The amount of the collection for November 19 was \$11,202.75 and November 26 was \$12,636.75 Thank you for your generosity and God bless you and your families.



**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 3 P.M.**

(Snow day December 11, 7:30 P.M.)

At St. Gabriel's Archangel Church

88 E. Saddle River Rd. Saddle River, NJ 07458

Free Admission

Come join us at the Music Ministry's Annual Christmas Concert. This year's concert features Christmas and seasonal favorites by John Rutter, Howard Helvey, Mary McDonald and many more. The concert will be performed by our Kids Choir, Adult Choir and instrumentalists. Gift your family and friends with the experience of the joyous sound of the season.

*DECEMBER 3, 2023*

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# Mass Intentions

## **SATURDAY, December 2, 2023**

9:00 AM John & Bernice McDonnell  
5:00 PM Tiffani Loughnane

## **SUNDAY, December 3, 2023**

8:00 AM Dr. Harold C. Clark  
10:00 AM Robert Muscarelle  
11:30 AM Vincent Marella  
6:00 PM Gloria Callahan

## **MONDAY, December 4, 2023**

9:00 AM Joseph Giancristofaro

## **TUESDAY, December 5, 2023**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM John Garafano

## **WEDNESDAY, December 6, 2023**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM Richard Stefanacci

## **THURSDAY, December 7, 2023**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM Emil & Micheline Celani

## **FRIDAY, December 8, 2023**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:00 AM Joseph & Margaret Muscarelle  
7:00 PM Peggy Cooper

## **SATURDAY, December 9, 2023**

9:00 AM Sally Sinton  
5:00 PM Pauline Convey

## **SUNDAY, December 10, 2023**

8:00 AM Joseph Corso  
10:00 AM Eleanore Rowe  
11:30 AM Joseph Ponticorvo  
6:00 PM Gloria Callahan

 **IN LOVING  
REMEMBRANCE**

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lighted during the week of December 3 for Emil & Micheline Celani as requested by Mary Ann & Michael.

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