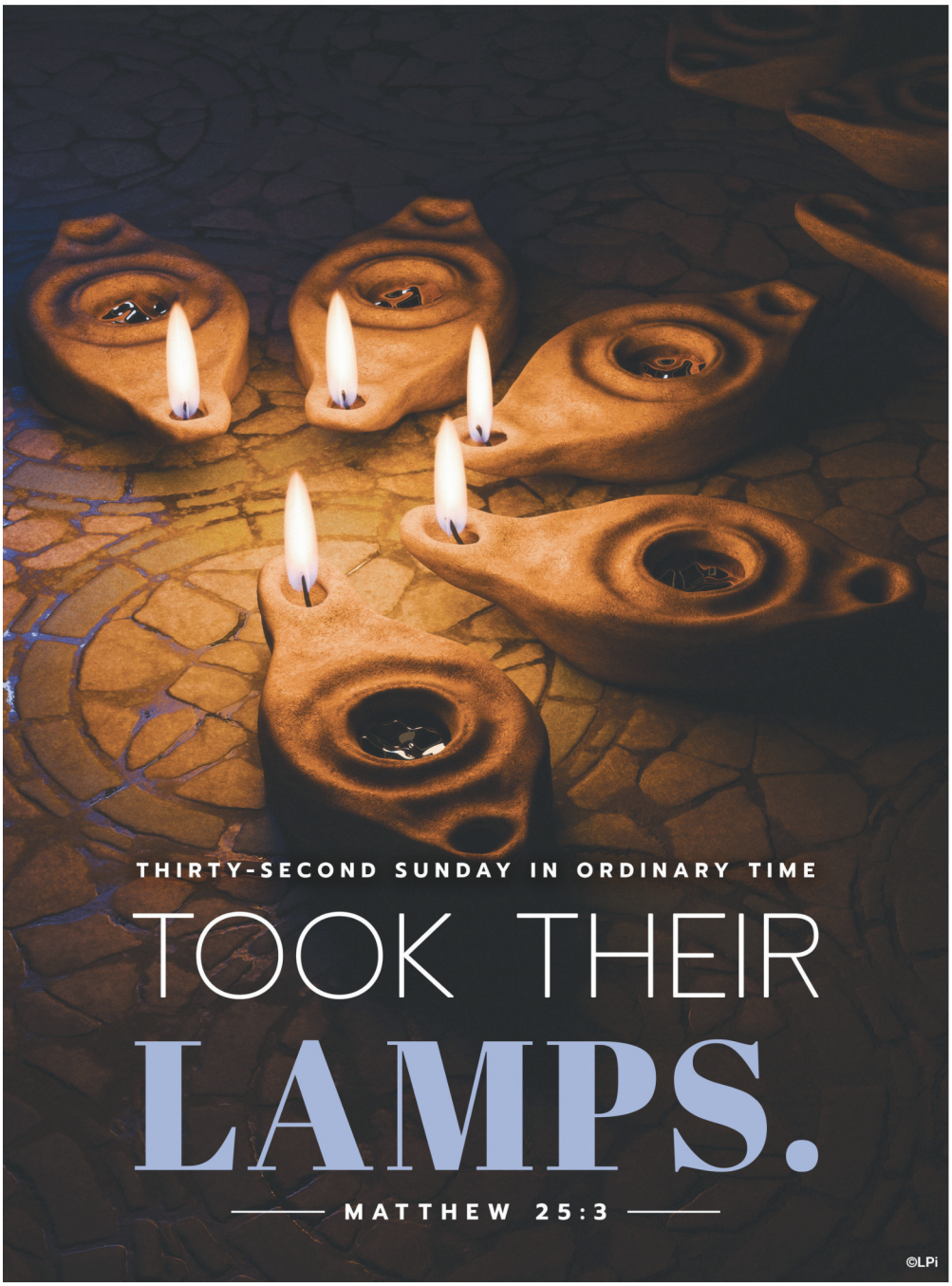
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026



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Here at St. Gabriel, we strive to embrace these values:

Belong (You are loved here) *Believe* (Discover Christ with us)

Become (Be transformed)

Whoever you are, wherever you are in faith or life, if church is new to you, or you've been away – you are always welcome here. When you feel called to make this place your spiritual home, we warmly invite you to join our parish family by visiting, calling, or emailing the parish office.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am
11:30am, 6:00pm*

*6:00pm Mass is not celebrated during the summer months

Weekday Masses

Monday | 9:00am
Tuesday | 6:30am*, 9:00am
Wednesday | 6:30am*, 9:00am
Thursday | 6:30am*, 9:00am
Friday | 9:00am
Saturday | 9:00am
Holy Days | See bulletin for schedule

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FROM FR. FRANK

What a beautiful beginning to November here at St. Gabriel's!

Last Sunday, it was wonderful to see so many of our young friends dressed as saints for our **All Saints Day** celebration! There was something both joyful and moving about seeing these children process into church, reminding us that holiness belongs to every generation. The saints were ordinary people who allowed God to do extraordinary things in their lives. Seeing our children dressed as those holy men and women was a wonderful reminder that the next generation of saints is already among us! Can't wait until next year!

Then, on Monday evening, we gathered for our annual **Mass of Remembrance on All Souls Day**, and what a beautiful and moving celebration it was.

Along with all our deceased loved ones, we remembered thirty-two **members of our parish family who died over the past year**. Thirty-two names, with unique lives, each with their own story. People who loved and were loved, who laughed and cried, who faced life's struggles and celebrated joys. Each one left a special mark, and they will always hold a special place in the hearts of those who knew them. Friends, they are alive in Christ. More alive than us, perhaps…

As I looked out at the church Monday evening, I was struck by something. Grief is such a strange experience. We often hear about the "stages of grief," as though grief follows some nice and neat predictable path. Anyone who has lost someone knows it doesn't work that way. Some days you're doing fine. Other days, a song, a picture, or an unexpected memory can bring you right back to the beginning.

And yet, many of you were they Monday evening. Families and friends gathered in prayer, some with tears, others with smiles as memories came flooding back.

You were there because LOVE REFUSES TO DIE.

That's what I saw Monday evening. Love that continues, even after death. Love that still finds a way to be grateful. A love that trusts in the promise of Christ Jesus, who by his Resurrection, promises us that death will never have the final word!

You know, in many ways, **November** is a pretty unique month in the life of the Church. We begin with the majesty and joy of **All Saints Day**, celebrating those who now share fully in the glory of heaven. The very next day, **All Souls Day**, we turn our attention to those who have died, remembering them with love and entrusting them to God's mercy.

And as November continues, the Church directs our attention toward the **Last Things**. What comes next? These are realities we don't always think about, much less talk about!

But there's a reason the Church places them before us. Life is precious. Life is short. And life has an eternal destination. We spend so much time worrying about things that, in the end, won't matter very much. (What do you think those might be?)

The Church isn't trying to scare us. She's inviting us to take an honest look at the life we're living…right now. *What am I allowing to consume my time, my energy, my heart? Am I becoming the person God created me to be? If I stood before God today, what would my life reveal about what I truly valued?*

These aren't always comfortable questions, but they're important ones. Our time here is limited. We don't know the time and hour. But we know our choices matter, and that this life we're living is that life that will continue into the next.

The saints remind, inspire, and pray for us to be with the Lord forever. Our beloved dead remind us of what matters. And Christ gives us the hope and the grace to live each day with **both** in mind.

Coming Up at St. Gabriel's

- **This Saturday | Nov. 14 | 8am - 11:30am | Men's Pre-Advent Morning Retreat**

Begins with Mass at 8am. There's something powerful when men come together and share their faith and encourage one another. We need that sense of brotherhood and community, and this retreat offers a wonderful opportunity to strengthen both our relationship with God and our connection with one another. More info in this bulletin.

- **This Tuesday | Nov. 10 | Eucharistic Adoration with our Confirmation Candidates**

Please keep these 33 young people in your prayers as they prepare to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit (which they received at Baptism) on December 5 at 10:30am and 2pm. Please come and support them next month. All are invited to these Masses.

- **Saturday | Nov. 21 | Care Packages for Marines**

This great initiative is an opportunity to show our gratitude and support to those serving our country. Please check the Knights Column.

- **Weekend of Nov. 21–22 | Thanksgiving Dinners for St. Michael's**

Every year, we help provide a holiday meal to those in need. Next weekend, you'll find in this bulletin a list of food items to bring to church on that weekend.

- **Thursday | Nov. 26 | Thanksgiving Day Mass | 9am**

What better way to begin Thanksgiving than by gathering around the Lord's table to give thanks? Be there!

Friends, know you are loved!

Fr. Frank

THE KNIGHTS CORNER

The next Saint Gabriel's Knights of Columbus council meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9, starting with a social gathering at 6:30pm, followed by our business meeting at 7:00pm.The officers have made a commitment to do their best to end each business meeting by 8:00pm. We encourage all Brother Knights to attend, especially those Brothers we haven't seen in a while.

An **Advent mini-retreat** for men will be held on the morning of Saturday, **November 14th**. **The morning will start off with 8:00am Mass**. Details elsewhere in the bulletin. Please **RSVP by November 9** so that we can plan properly.

Something different is scheduled for this month's Men's Mass, hosted by the Knights on **November 21 at 8:00am**. After the Mass, we will be gathering in the Kavin Center to put together **care packages for our Marines serving overseas during the holidays**. As in past years, we will be joined by some of Saint Gabriel's confirmation students.Our goal again this year is **100 packages**. If you would like to donate items for the packages, they can be left in the Sanzari Room of the church any time or can be dropped at the Kavin Center the morning of the event. *Suggested items include lip balm, powdered drink mixes, chewing gum, granola bars, Vaseline tubes, batteries (AA or AAA), instant oatmeal, and non-aerosol deodorants.* While these Masses are hosted by the Knights (we provide the coffee and donuts!) they are **open to all men of the parish and beyond. Please join us for the Mass even if you can't stay for the volunteer event**. Contact Randy Vlasak at randall.vlasak@gmail.com with questions.

If you are interested in **joining the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus**, contact a current member or send us an email at knights@stgabrielsr.org.

Did you know? On November 11 we celebrate **Veterans Day**. Unlike Memorial Day when we honor service members who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, on Veterans Day **we celebrate all who served honorably in the military**—living and deceased, wartime or peacetime, with a strong emphasis on thanking living veterans.

OCIA REGISTRATION FOR 2028
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Registration for the 2027 OCIA program is now closed.

Those interested in becoming part of the OCIA program for 2028, including unbaptized catechumens and baptized candidates seeking full initiation into the Catholic Church, are welcome to register.
For more information or to register, please contact Frances Ferraro at frances.stgabes@gmail.com.

ADVENT MINI-RETREAT FOR MEN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14



Join us **Saturday, November 14**, for an Advent mini-retreat **beginning with 8:00am Mass**, followed by breakfast and a reflection with **special guest Brother Gabriel Dunbar of Bergen Catholic High School**. Brother Gabriel will share his experience **helping young men grow in their faith and deepen their relationship with Jesus**.
The morning will conclude around 11:30am, followed by a light lunch. All men are welcome! **There is no cost to attend; free-will donations are welcome**. Any donations above the cost of expenses will be donated to St. Gabriel's parish and the St. Gabriel's Knights of Columbus who are co-sponsoring the retreat.
All men are invited to join us, so spread the word and bring a friend!

Please RSVP by November 9
to Randall Vlasak at randall.vlasak@gmail.com.

Parents, please invite your children, ages 4-10, to come forward and make the 10:00am Mass your Family Mass. We hope to see you there!

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The Sacrament of Baptism
We're delighted to welcome your child into the life of Christ. **Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 12:00pm** *(not celebrated during Lent, except in cases of serious need)*. First-time parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class.

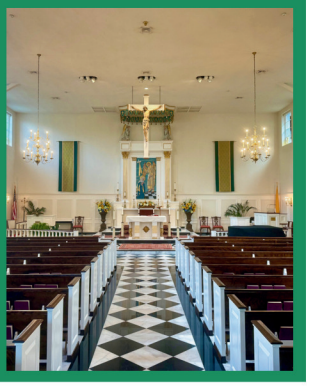
The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)
Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, or Eucharist are invited to contact Frances Ferraro.

The Sacrament of Marriage
Congratulations! To begin marriage preparation, contact Fr. Frank Fano.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 4:00–4:45 PM, or by appointment.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound
If you or a loved one would like Holy Communion brought to your home, please contact the parish office.

Frances Ferraro: frances.stgabes@gmail.com
Fr. Frank Fano: ffano@stgabrielsr.org



ADULT FAITH FORMATION: THE SPIRITUALITY OF ST. PAUL

Join us for a four-part series exploring the spirituality of St. Paul, one of the early Church's most dynamic and influential leaders. All are welcome!

Dates: November 13 & 20 and December 4 & 11
Time: 9:45–10:45 AM

Location: Rectory Meeting Room
There is no cost to participate, and light refreshments will be provided. We hope you can join us!



FINANCIAL REPORT

Our November 1st weekend collection totaled $12,760.75.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish. May God bless you and your families!

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THANKSGIVING DINNERS FOR ST. MICHAEL'S NOVEMBER 21–22

Once again, we're coming together to help provide Thanksgiving dinners for families served by our sister parish, St. Michael's in Newark.

A list of needed food items will be available soon. During the weekend of November 21–22, please bring your donations to church or directly to the collection truck in the upper parking lot before the Mass you attend.

We have so much to be thankful for, and this is a wonderful opportunity to put our gratitude into action by helping another family enjoy a Thanksgiving meal. Thank you for your generosity and support!





THANK YOU, PARENTS!

A big thank you to all the parents from our Religious Education program who joined us for our **Evening of Encouragement with Fr. Frank**! It was wonderful to spend time together, connect, and enjoy a little wine and cheese.

Parents, keep an eye out for our next gathering! We hope to see even more of you next time!



-MASS INTENTIONS-

Saturday: November 7, 2026
9:00am † All Souls
5:00pm † Bobby Mattessich - r/b The Tarabocchia Family

Sunday: November 8, 2026
8:00am † James DiBetta - r/b Patricia DiBetta
10:00am † All Souls
11:30am † Robert Mattessich - r/bLina Mattessich
6:00pm Special Intention

Monday: November 9, 2026
9:00am † Dominic Balestra - r/b Dave Stuhr
And † All Souls

Tuesday: November 10, 2026
6:30am † All Souls
9:00am † Marco Minuto - r/b Chela

Wednesday: November 11, 2026
6:30am † Jerrold Janata - r/b The Maita Family
9:00am † Annette Tedeschi - r/b Barbara Milone

Thursday: November 12, 2026
6:30am † Suzan Giancristofaro - r/b Teresa and Dan Gallagher
9:00am † Nancy McNamara - r/b The Pula Family

Friday: November 13, 2026
9:00am † Marco Minuto - r/b Jeanne Marzitelli

Saturday: November 14, 2026
9:00am † Mike and Ann Secli - r/b Donna Alonso
5:00pm † Michele Masters - r/b The Guido Family

Sunday: November 15, 2026
8:00am † Christa Blenkle - r/b Karen Petrosino
10:00am † Agnes Kwiek r/b Family
11:30am † Sam Raia - r/b The Schnell Family
6:00pm † Ted Pintard - r/b Russell and Linda Frignoca

-IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE-

The sanctuary lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lit the week of November 8th for James DiBetta requested by Patricia DiBetta.

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament and the Altar Bread and Wine consecrated during the week are available as memorials for loved ones.

To arrange, please contact the parish office at (201) 327-5663.

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY HOLDS IN PRAYER ALL WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND.

Salvatore Averso
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Dawn Conguis
Ada Fields
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Grace Gilbert
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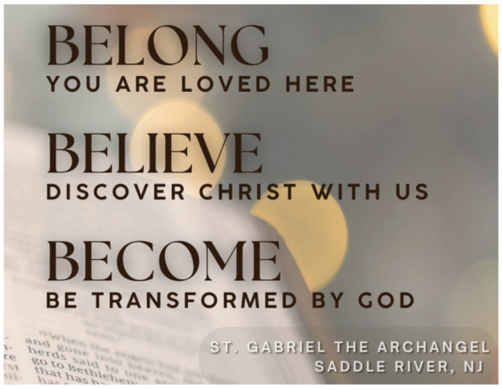
November 7- 8
Sat 5:00pm- Fr. Frank
Sun 8:00am- Fr. Frank
Sun 10:00am- Fr. Ron
Sun 11:30am- Fr. Frank
Sun 6:00pm- Fr. Ron

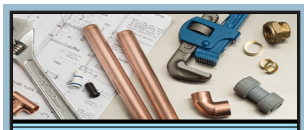
November 14-15
Sat 5:00pm- Fr. Ron
Sun 8:00am- Fr. Anthony
Sun 10:00am- Fr. Frank
Sun 11:30am- Fr. Ron
Sun 6:00pm- Fr. Frank

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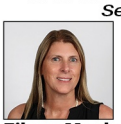
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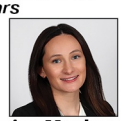
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