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SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026

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— MATTHEW 15:22 —



BELONG, BELIEVE, BECOME

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

THE WISH LIST: LIVESTREAM & GETTING ST. GABE'S IN PEOPLE'S HANDS

A couple of Sundays ago (July 16), I looked at the numbers from our 10am Sunday Mass livestream (on Facebook alone) and had to look twice. **2.8K views. 2,800!** (Outside of livestreamed Masses: Cardinal Tobin's Pentecost Visit mash-up got 3.6K, our Winter Storm Update got 4.3K, and wait for it – our Christmas Invitation Reel? 15.2K views!). I have to give credit to Erin, our Communications Director, for producing these amazing videos!

Let's go back to the 10am livestream Mass that got 2.8K views. Over the summer, we're averaging somewhere around 550–600 (maybe less?) people in the pews on a Sunday. And a couple of weeks ago, 2,800 people joined us, *virtually*.

Now, I know a "view" isn't the same thing as a person sitting in a pew from beginning to end. But still, look at the reach! The Gospel is getting out of Saddle River! And that's why I think our livestream is much more than having a camera pointed at the Altar.

Yes, it's for the **homebound**. Absolutely. People who love St. Gabriel's but can't physically be here anymore. People recovering from surgery or sick. People traveling. People who moved but still consider this us home. The livestream gives them a way to stay connected to their parish.

But here's where I need YOUR help: they need to know where/how to find us! Our 10am Sunday Mass is simulcast on YouTube and Facebook. Our 9am Daily Mass is livestreamed on YouTube only.

So, if you have a parent, grandparent, neighbor, friend, or former parishioner who can't get here anymore, tell them about it. Show them how to find us. And, of course, it's not a replacement for being physically present at Mass when we're able to be here. But for someone who *can't* be here? What a gift!

But it's bigger than that. Livestreaming also gives all of us the opportunity to go back.

Maybe something in a homily stayed with you. Maybe you want to hear it again. Maybe you thought, *"I wish so-and-so could hear this."* Well, now they can! Go back. Watch it. Send it to someone.

And THAT gets to what really excites me about all of this. We're reaching people who aren't here (yet). People who haven't been to Mass in years. People who are curious, or hurting. or who would never darken the doors of a church, but might watch a two-minute clip somebody shared, or a homily or the atmosphere of our worship they might have heard about.

Here's how social media works. The algorithms on Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, etc., pay attention to what people watch, like, comment on, and SHARE. The more people engage with something, the more the platform begins showing it to other people, on their feeds, etc. In other words, **EVERY TIME YOU SHARE SOMETHING FROM ST. GABRIEL'S, YOU ARE HELPING IT TRAVEL BEYOND THE PEOPLE WHO ALREADY FOLLOW US!** You have NO IDEA who might see it.

And isn't that a form of **evangelization**? "εὐαγγέλιον" (*evangelion*) is Greek for: GOSPEL. And the word Gospel literally means Good News. So, evangelization is, in a sense, "*Gospel-ing*." Sharing the Good News! For 2,000 years, the Church used whatever means were available to do that. Today, one of those means is a **SHARE** button.

1] SO...HERE'S PART ONE OF MY WISH LIST:

That July 16 Mass that got 2.8K views? **It was *only* shared/reposted by 5 people.** IMAGINE IF JUST 10 SHARED? WOW. So, if you're on social media: **LIKE, LIKE, LIKE, COMMENT, COMMENT, COMMENT, SHARE, SHARE, SHARE the bejesus out of our videos and posts! EVERY WEEK. EVERYONE OF THEM.** I'm dead serious! Even if you were at Mass: share the livestream. Share what we post. Send it to somebody in a private message.

When YOU share it, you help the algorithm share it. And maybe somebody scrolling on a Sunday night stops for 30 seconds (hopefully they stay and watch for more!) and see what our church is about **BEFORE THEY CONSIDER STEPPING IN, IN PERSON! That's the goal. I WISH YOU CAN DO THIS FOR US!**

2] AND HERE'S PART TWO OF MY WISH LIST:

What we have as a setup right now is only the beginning. We're still working on improving the livestream – the sound, the picture, the consistency, and making sure we're producing the best quality we can.

Eventually, my goal is to have a multi-camera setup. **And when we get there, we're going to need operators.** But in the immediate? We need some volunteers! Right now, our livestream uses one camera. And while I'd love for us to have a full multi-camera setup, we're not there yet. But we ARE ready for people to help us with what we have – right now. And it's pretty simple.

During Mass, **you** operate the camera from the choir loft. You're basically following the action of the Mass – moving the camera when necessary and zooming in or out depending on what's happening. Think about it. Melody is playing her prelude on the organ? Get Melody. The Entrance Procession begins? Follow it. The reader goes to the pulpit? Move there. The Cantor sings the psalm? Move there. The homily begins? Frame the priest. Something happening at the Altar? Zoom there.

You're helping the person watching from their living room experience what's actually happening in the church. And we'll train you. You DON'T need to be a camera expert. You DON'T need a degree in television production. If you're comfortable learning some basic technology and can pay attention to what's happening during Mass, we can teach you the rest.

Actually, I think this could be a GREAT ministry for some of our young people. If you're an older teenager or young adult who enjoys this sort of stuff and just wants to do something behind the scenes - we definitely could use you.

When 2,800 people are clicking on a Sunday Mass from St. Gabriel's, the person behind that camera isn't just "running the livestream." They're helping us proclaim the Gospel beyond these walls. That's ministry.

So, if you're interested, LET ME KNOW. EMAIL ME. Believe me: I'll respond. **THIS IS ESSENTIAL IN OUR MISSION TO REACH THE DISENGAGED.** We can start building a rotating team so the responsibility doesn't fall on the same person every Sunday.

Friends, I'm not just focused on a pretty looking livestream. But I do believe in quality.

I'm not trying to turn Mass into TV. But I'm telling you, if it helps getting St. Gabe's in people's laps and hands and screens, and getting people to hear the Gospel – I'll use any tool available - to do what Jesus told the Church to do from the very beginning: **GO OUT.** And these days, "going out" doesn't *always* require leaving Saddle River. Sometimes it just requires pressing **SHARE**.

Know you are loved!

Fr. Frank



THE KNIGHTS CORNER

Over the course of the next few weeks, we will be highlighting some of the **charities that benefit from your support of the Knights of Columbus.** It is important for our parishioners to know what happens with the donations you make when you buy mums, poinsettias, chocolate bars and 50/50 raffle tickets. This week, we highlight the **Saint Michael's School (Newark) Scholarship Fund.**

Saint Michael's School **provides a Christ-centered education** that nurtures the spiritual, academic, emotional, and social growth of every child. In partnership with families and guided by Catholic values, they serve the children of Saint Michael's Parish and surrounding communities in a caring and respectful environment. **As an inner-city school serving a primarily minority community,** their mission is to nurture the spiritual, academic, emotional, physical, and social growth of every student. They prepare students to succeed in a competitive, technology-driven world and to contribute with purpose, compassion, and faith to the good of society. With an open-door admissions policy, Saint Michael's welcomes **students from all backgrounds** and supports their individual learning needs through a combination of group instruction, tailored classrooms, and enrichment or remedial programs. **They believe each child is a unique gift from God** and thrive best when their emotional, physical, and social needs are met alongside their academic development.

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? August 20 is the memorial of **Saint Bernard of Clairvaux** who was a 12th-century French abbot, mystic, and Doctor of the Church. However, the dog breed bearing the same name is named after the Great St. Bernard Hospice, a traveler's refuge located on the treacherous Great St. Bernard Pass in the Western Alps between Switzerland and Italy. The pass, the hospice, and the dogs were named in honor of **Bernard of Menthon, an 11th-century Italian monk** who founded the mountain station.

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: fferraro@stgabrielsr.org

Fr. Frank Fano: ffano@stgabrielsr.org

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

A JOYFUL CELEBRATION FOR OUR PARISH

Please join us as we **celebrate a special milestone** in the life of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish!

On **Sunday, September 27**, during our celebration of the Solemnity of St. Gabriel the Archangel, **Bishop Michael Saporito** will celebrate the **Mass of Installation of Fr. Frank Fano** as Pastor of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish.

Although Fr. Frank officially began his ministry as our pastor on July 1, this special Mass gives us the opportunity to come together as a parish family in prayer and thanksgiving as he is formally installed as our pastor.

Mass of Installation | 12:00 Noon

Reception | 2:00 p.m.

All are welcome to join us for the Mass and reception! We kindly ask that you **RSVP for the reception by September 20** so that we can prepare for you. To RSVP, please **contact Patti Ross at 201-962-3793.**

We look forward to celebrating this joyful occasion together as a parish family!



There's so much to look forward to at St. Gabe's!

As we begin a new season of parish life, we're excited to welcome back familiar favorites, begin new opportunities for faith and fellowship, and continue growing together as a parish family.

From opportunities for children and families to gatherings for adults and parish-wide celebrations, there's something happening for everyone. Keep an eye on our bulletin, Flocknote, and social media for upcoming dates, details, and ways to get involved. We can't wait to see you!

- Children's Church
- 6pm Sunday Mass
- Faith Formation
- Fr. Frank's Installation Mass
- Livestream Crew
- ChristLife
- Seniors Social Club
- Men's Fellowship
- Women's Christian Community Group

And much more!

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

Salvatore Averso
Daniel Castillo
Dawn Conguis
Ada Fields
Meg Gallagher
Grace Gilbert
Bill Hamilton



Bob Kleinknecht
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Joan Massotti
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NATIONS
PRAISE
YOU!

PSALM 67

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY GROUP

The Women's Christian Community
Group gathers each month, September
- June, for fellowship, faith-sharing, and
an opportunity to grow together in
faith. All women of the parish are
welcome to join this friendly and
welcoming group!

Meetings are held on the second
Tuesday of each month in the Parish
Rectory. The first meeting of the new
season will be Tuesday, September 8 at
1:00pm.

For more information, please contact
Patti Ross at 201-962-3793.
We hope you'll consider joining us!

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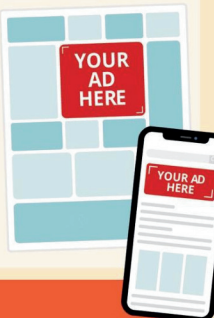
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ST. GABRIEL'S SOCIAL CLUB

The Seniors Social Club meets on the
third Thursday of each month and is
open to adults ages 50 and up.
The first meeting of the season will be
Thursday, October 21.
For more information, contact Patti
Ross at 201-962-3793.

SHARE YOUR FAITH. SHAPE THE FUTURE.

We are looking for catechists for
the 2026-2027 Faith Formation
year, beginning this September.

No experience necessary!

For more information, contact
Amanda Perfetti, Director of
Religious Education at
aperfetti@stgabrielsr.org.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Our August 2nd collection totaled
\$11,600.75.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: August 15, 2026

9:00am † Christa Blenkle- r/b Barbara Petrosino
5:00pm † Emilio and Tiffani Alonso- r/b Donna Alonso

Sunday: August 16, 2026

8:00am Our Parish Priest(s)- r/b Anonymous
10:00am † Ronald Sinkovitz- r/b Carmela Dell Aquila
11:30am † Richard Stefanacci- r/b Carol Stefanacci

Monday: August 17, 2026

9:00am † Peter Kranz- r/b Angela Scorese

Tuesday: August 18, 2026

9:00am † Richard V Cancilla- r/b Pat Cancilla

Wednesday: August 19, 2026

9:00am † Bill and Sandy Bartlett- r/b Patti Ross and Family

Thursday: August 20, 2026

9:00am † Frank De Lusso- r/b Patti Ross

Friday: August 21, 2026

9:00am † Mary Lou Melle- r/b Lynn Frieman

Next Saturday: August 22, 2026

9:00am † Frances M Kierman- r/b Roxanne and John
& Prayer request for Pat Scorese- r/b Angela Scorese

5:00pm † Carol Lee Crowley- r/b Jayne and Paul Ibarrola

& Prayer request for Pat Scorese- r/b Angela Scorese

Next Sunday: August 23, 2026

8:00am Our Parish Priest(s)- r/b Anonymous
10:00am † Ronald Sinkovitz- r/b Carmela Dell Aquila

11:30am † Richard Stefanacci- r/b Carol Stefanacci

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

The sanctuary lamp at the Blessed Sacrament will be lit the week of August 16th for Brian Taylor requested by Cindy Pace.

The Altar Bread and Wine consecrated during the week of August 16th is requested for Craig Taylor by Cindy Pace.

The Sanctuary Lamp at the Blessed Sacrament and the Altar Bread and Wine for the week are available as memorials for loved ones. To arrange, contact the parish office at (201) 327-5663.



PRESIDERS' SCHEDULE

August 15-16

Sat 5:00pm- Fr. Frank

Sun 8:00am- Fr. Ron

Sun 10:00am- Fr. Frank

Sun 11:30am- Fr. Ron

August 22-23

Sat 5:00pm- Fr. Anthony

Sun 8:00am- Fr. Frank

Sun 10:00am- Fr. Ron

Sun 11:30am- Fr. Frank

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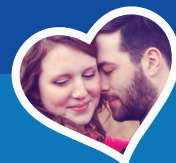


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