

## Church of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin

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"We are a Roman Catholic community of involved individuals and families who, through the spirit of tithing, dedicate ourselves to growing in faith and sharing Christ with others."

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**Today is Sunday, April 23, 2017**

### **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Thanks to all who helped to make the celebration of the Sacred Paschal Triduum last weekend so edifying. From the inspiring music and beautiful Easter flowers to the participation of so many in the sacred liturgies, it was a special time of prayer and praise in honor of our Resurrected Lord. Remember, the Church gives us fifty days of Easter to rejoice in the saving mystery of Christ's Resurrection from the dead.

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

##### **Sunday:**

***Men's Club Meeting***, 7 pm, parish hall

##### **Monday:**

***CCD, Grade 2 only***, 6:30pm, school; ***St. Monica Prayer Group***, 7 pm, Church; ***CCM Board Meeting***, 7 pm, parish hall; ***St. Vincent de Paul Meeting***, 7 pm, Rectory

##### **Tuesday:**

***Senior Citizens Mass***, 12:30 pm, Social follows in hall (must have reservations); ***Parent Meeting***, 7 pm, parish hall

##### **Wednesday:**

***Legion of Mary***, 5:30 pm, Rectory; ***Rosary & Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions***, 6:45 pm, ***Mass*** at 7 pm; ***ChristLife Series***, 7:30 pm, parish hall

##### **Thursday:**

***Legion of Mary***, 9:45 am, Rectory; (No Thursday Night Bingo)

##### **Friday:**

***Super Bingo***, 8 pm, parish hall (doors open at 6:00)

##### **Saturday:**

***Our Lady of Guadalupe Devotions***, 11 am, ***Mass*** at 11:30

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## NOTES FROM FR. JOHN (continued)

Thanks to all who faithfully use our St. Gabriel Food Club Cards. Don't forget, when you are shopping for First Communion and graduation parties, garden needs, vacations, home repairs, etc., to buy our Food Club cards **before** you shop (or dine) at the following businesses: **Atria's Restaurant, Bruegger's, Eat 'n Park, Giant Eagle, Kohl's, Macy's, McGinnis Sisters, Olive Garden/Red Lobster Restaurants & Shop 'N Save.**

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## MARRIAGE BANNES

**II James Bernard Sabia**, St. Rose Church, Carbondale, PA & **Danielle Caruso Wallace**,

Church of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin

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## MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Our meeting is tonight, **Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm.** Our speaker will be retired police Sergeant Dan Hahn, from Cranberry Township. In 2012, Dan suffered career-ending injuries on the job as a result of falling more than 20 feet from a highway overpass on Interstate 79. Officer Hahn was chasing a motorist on foot after the motorist had ditched his vehicle following a 20-mile high-speed chase. Neither man apparently realized that they were on an overpass the night of the incident. As a result, the motorist suffered fatal injuries while Officer Hahn broke his back, sternum and ribs, among other numerous sustained injuries. Since this incident he has had numerous surgeries and years of rehabilitation. Please plan on coming to hear his story of personal tragedy and perseverance.



All men of the parish, 18 years and older, are welcome to join us for what should be a very powerful evening. Dues for the entire year are only \$5. As always, beverages and a light meal follow our guest speaker. If you have any questions, please call Bill Brennan at 412-882-6216.

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## ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE! Divine Mercy Sunday

**Peace be with you.** As the Father has sent me, so I send you. The new life in Christ that we celebrate at Easter is given to us in Baptism so that our life will never be the same. We receive the Holy Spirit and are filled with God's grace to be sent forth to fulfill God's will, just as Jesus did. The goal of *On Mission for The Church Alive!* is for us to be renewed in our baptismal mission to go forth as followers of Jesus and lead others to Him. How can you share the peace and love of God with those who need it most so that their lives can be transformed? Visit [www.onmissionchurchalive.org](http://www.onmissionchurchalive.org) to stay involved.

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## SENIOR CITIZENS

All Senior Citizens are invited to attend Holy Mass at 12:30 pm on **Tuesday, April 25, 2017.** A luncheon will follow in the parish hall. **Reservations (\$3) are a must** – call Lois Sperl, 412-881-5935.

**Catholicscomehome.org**

**(check it out!)**

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS

**Divine Mercy and Pro-Life** ... Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday. Many of the faithful pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy regularly. There is a link between this devotion and the pro-life movement. Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC, who was a principle translator of St. Faustina's diary, writes: "On at least three occasions, from 8:00-11:00 in the evening, she felt like her insides were being torn apart. She suffered so much that she thought she was going to die. The doctors couldn't figure out what was ailing her, and no medication was able to alleviate her sufferings. Later, she was given to understand that she was undergoing those pains for mothers who were aborting their children" (Diary, 1276). "On another occasion, she had a vision of an angel coming with thunderbolts to destroy one of the most beautiful cities of her country. And she felt powerless to do anything about it" (Diary, 474). "What antidote did the Lord give her? The Chaplet of Divine Mercy. [She explained] that the city was to be chastised for its sins, primarily the sin of abortion."

...*"Wombs of Mercy," Marian Helpers Bulletin, Summer 1995, pg. 13*

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## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For the week of: April 16, 2017 \$48,448.44

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We acknowledge, with sincere gratitude, the following donations:

### To our Awareness Fund:

\$ 50 in memory of Barbara Baker Lahr from Anne and Jim Noland

\$ 20 in memory of Esther McMonagle from Barbara and Donald Walkovich

\$ 20 in memory of Barbara Lahr from Lew and Linda Nevins

\$ 10 in memory of Barbara Baker Lahr from Marlene Koenig

### To our Easter Flower Fund:

\$ 25 in memory of Bob Vietmeier and Bud Vietmeier from Linda and Wes

\$ 15 in memory of Bertha and Wally Brown from Rose Ann Brown and Family

\$ 15 in memory of Caroline and John Puzas from Rose Ann Brown and Family

\$ 15 in memory of Bob Brown from Rose Ann Brown and Family

\$ 15 in memory of Fr. Lawrence O'Connell, Fr. Austin Hovan and Fr. Jonas McCarthy from Rose Ann Ann Brown and Family

\$ 5 in loving memory of Elizabeth Reinsel from Daughter, Joan Henning

### To St. Gabriel School:

\$ 25 in loving memory of Michael Roach from Tammy and Bill Vetere

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## ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEWS

Due to your overwhelming generosity to April's food collection, our Food Pantry is now well stocked with facial tissues, paper towels, toilet tissue and personal care products. We are in need of peanut butter, canned fruit, canned pasta and condiments. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

...*The Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society*

# MASS INTENTIONS

April 24 to April 30, 2017

## MONDAY – FEAST OF ST. FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN

7:30 am Monsignor Anthony Borrelli (Anniversary) (req. Sister, Philomena Mastrovincenzo)  
11:30 am Dorothy Kublack (Anniversary) (req. Family)

## TUESDAY – FEAST OF ST. MARK

7:30 am Patty McGee (req. Mike and Ian)  
**12:30 pm** Alma Dillon (Anniversary) (req. Family)

## WEDNESDAY – WEEKDAY

7:30 am Barbara Rink (req. Husband and Family)  
**6:30 pm** *Rosary & Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions*  
7:00 pm Special Intentions of John and Donna Matthews  
(Wedding Anniversary) (req. Christian Family Movement)

## THURSDAY – WEEKDAY

7:30 am Edward Lantz (req. Wife and Family)  
8:45 am Mary Bellisario (req. Jim and Mary Lou Owens)

## FRIDAY – FEAST OF ST. PETER CHANEL & ST. LOUIS GRIGNION de MONTFORT

7:30 am Alice Varuolo (req. Jim and Mary Ann Quinn)  
11:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the  
Pollice Family (req. Martha)

## SATURDAY – FEAST OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

9:00 am Ron Schirra (req. Pat and Teresa Trombetta)  
11:30 am Special Intentions of Loretta Skirtich (Birthday) (req. Family)  
6:00 pm Bea Loreti (req. Vince and Carol Sniegocki)

## SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2017 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 am Joseph and Marjorie Conboy (req. The Caspary Family)  
10:00 am Daniel Kroll (req. Family)  
12:00 Noon Julia and Ferdinand Graf (req. Sara)  
4:30 pm Vince Gradeck (req. Family)

## BINGO

The next **St. Gabriel All-Paper Bingo** will be held **Thursday, May 4, 2017** in the parish hall. Bulls-eye game begins at 7:00 pm. For information, visit [www.stgabespgh.org/bingo](http://www.stgabespgh.org/bingo).

Don't miss our **Super Bingo on Friday, April 28, 2017 (no Bingo on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>)**.

**Menu: Ham Barbeque \* Smiley Fries \* Dessert \* Beverage**

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## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 24 to April 30, 2017

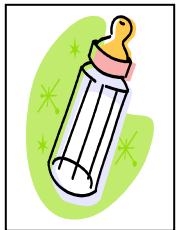
Monday, April 24	7:30 am	Erin and Grace Hampton
	11:30 am	Alayna and Paul Kercher
Tuesday, April 25	7:30 am	Katie Lucarelli and Alexa Meyer
	<b>12:30 pm</b>	Abigail Lease and Morgan O'Brien
Wednesday, April 26	7:30 am	Gabriella Palatucci and Ella Reiche
Thursday, April 27	7:30 am	Alexandra Santelli and Maura Schorr
	8:45 am	<i>School</i>
Friday, April 28	7:30 am	Joey Starzynski and Louisa Tiriobo
	11:30 am	Claire Ianachione and Brayden Ingold
Saturday, April 29	9:00 am	Andrew Barrett and Autumn Fabry
	11:30 am	Rocco DeFalco and Reno Butelli
	6:00 pm	John Guilinger, Jenna and Tom Meyers
Sunday, April 30	8:00 am	Abby Joyce, Michael Silvestre and Emma Walsh
	10:00 am	Emilia Zandier, Adam and Andrew Degenhardt
	12:00 Noon	Bella Rossa, Dean and Mackenzie O'Toole
	4:30 pm	Emilia Palatucci, Ava and Grace Vavro

Schedules available on the St. Gabriel web page: <http://www.stgabespgh.org/>

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## BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Did you know that at 21 days a baby's heart begins to beat? At 1 month, the baby's organs and body parts are developing, and at 8 weeks the baby's brain and nerve endings are formed? The typical client is coming into our clinic around 7 to 8 weeks pregnant and is considering abortion. We can show her the life God created through an ultrasound image. This ultrasound image changes her heart from contemplating abortion to choosing life 90% of the time. When you fill a bottle with your checks, dollars or loose change, you are helping rescue children and serve families!



Next weekend volunteers will be at the Church doors after each Mass, handing out the baby bottles...please be sure to grab one and support Human Coalition, which operates Cura Women's Clinic of Pittsburgh (formerly known as the Pregnancy Resource Center of the South Hills) in the work of saving lives! In two weeks volunteers will be at the doors to collect the donations. Please make checks payable to "Human Coalition." All proceeds support the LOCAL activity in Pittsburgh. Thank you in advance for your support of LIFE!

## CHRISTIAN MOTHERS NEWS

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Rosary begins at 6:45 pm with a Mass at 7:00 where the new Officers and Board Members for the 2017-2018 year will be installed. Following Mass we will have our general meeting in the parish hall. Join us as we welcome Don Snyder, who will tell us “All About Bees.” A light meal will be served - therefore, reservations are required. Please RSVP to Lisa Rennie at [rennies96@verizon.net](mailto:rennies96@verizon.net) or call 412-882-7465. All women, age 18 and older, are welcome! Be sure to bring a friend along with you! This will be our last meeting until we start up again in the Fall. Hope to see you there.

...Tammy Vetere, CCM Vice President

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## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our next meeting will be **Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm** in the parish hall. We will be having a question and answer session with a priest. Bring lots of questions! We will also be having an end of the year celebration!

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## GIANT SPRING FLEA MARKET

St. Valentine Women’s Guild is holding a giant Spring Flea Market on **Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm** in Frawley Hall. There will be over 70 vendors – free admission – easy parking – hot lunch – homemade bakery items – and lots of treasures! See you on Saturday!

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## LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW

The Auxiliary to Jefferson Hospital is hosting a Luncheon & Fashion Show, “A Touch of Class” on **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon** at South Hills Country Club - the cost is \$35. Reservations and raffle tickets can be purchased at the Hospital Gift Shoppe and in the lobby of the Medical Office Building. The beneficiary of this year’s event will be Jefferson Hospital’s Outpatient Transportation Program. If you would like more information, please leave a message at 412-469-5790.

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## 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**Fr. Alan Morris** is celebrating his 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Priesthood on **Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>** with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 pm at Our Lady of Victory Church (Harwick, PA). There will be an Anniversary Celebration (\$35 per person) at the Quality Inn Pittsburgh North, Tarentum Bridge Rd. (New Kensington). RSVP by Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> if you are attending the Mass and/or the dinner. If you have any questions, call Judy, Parish Secretary, at (724) 274-8575 Ext. 4.

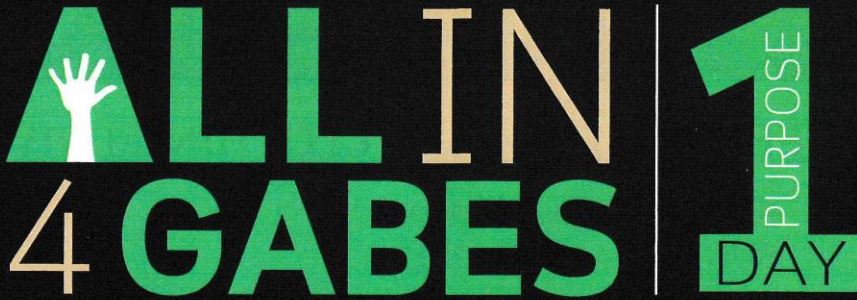
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## RUN FOR LIFE

Join us on **Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, for the Run for Life 5K Run/Walk at North Strabane Municipal Park (Canonsburg), benefiting Human Coalition – Pittsburgh. Your participation in the Run for Life 5K Run/Walk will give us the much-needed resources to rescue children and serve families in our community. To register, visit [www.humancoalition.org/runforlife](http://www.humancoalition.org/runforlife). For more information, call Kathryn Ware at 412-933-7445. Register as an individual or team, but don’t miss the chance to get involved!  
**“Even the smallest person can change the course of the future.”**

...J.R.R. Tolkien

JOIN US FOR ST. GABES FIRST DAY OF GIVING



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#### What is ALL IN 4 GABES?

St. Gabriel OSV School ALL IN 4 GABES is an exciting fundraising event which brings together alumni, students, parents, faculty/staff and friends of St. Gabriel OSV School to share our story of being only 1 of 2 remaining Tuition Free Catholic Schools left in The U.S.A.

#### HOW DO I MAKE A GIFT?

To make a gift online, visit [www.stgabrielpgh.org/day-of-giving](http://www.stgabrielpgh.org/day-of-giving)  
If you're having problems, call 412-596-0454. Thank you for your support!

#### CAN A DONOR SEND A GIFT BY MAIL OR PHONE?

Yes, but because of the short timeframe, only gifts that arrive on May 3, 2017 or are made by phone or online that day will count toward the goals You can make a gift by phone at **412-881-8115**.

#### CAN A DONOR MAKE A PLEDGE?

If you'd like to make a pledge, please contact the Business Manager Debbie O'Brien at **412-881-8115**.

#### IS IT SAFE TO MAKE MY GIFT ONLINE?

Yes, our secure online system makes it easy and safe for you to make your gift online.

#### WILL MY ALL IN 4 GABES CONTRIBUTION BE TAX DEDUCTIBLE?

Yes, your gift is tax deductible. You will receive a letter via U.S. mail as well as an email via PayPal that will serve as acknowledgement of your donation.

#### WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT ALL IN 4 GABES?

Spread the excitement on your social networks using #ALLIN4GABES. Follow news about the exciting effort, and our progress on the big day!



St. Gabriel OSV Alumni & Friends



@stgabrielosv



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**The St. Gabriel Parish, Christian Mothers Guild  
Is hosting a Summer Fundraiser**



*At Tracy's Boutique*

**Wednesday, May 3rd from 6-9pm.**

*Ladies- update your summer wardrobe AND help our Parish!!*

There will be **3 hours** of *private* shopping in a relaxing atmosphere at Tracy's Boutique, located in Caste Village Shoppes, next to Hairshapers.

Tracy is celebrating her 5 year anniversary and has filled her shop with extra inventory just for our shopping pleasure!

Please stop by to socialize and enjoy some snacks & beverages, while adding a little "summer chic" to your wardrobe!

Come support our Parish while shopping for unique, fashion-forward clothing, handbags, jewelry, summer hats, accessories and more!

There is something for everyone!

**20%** of all sales will be donated back to St. Gabriel Parish  
Snacks and beverages provided by *Tracy's Boutique*

**IMPORTANT- Please RSVP by Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**To Amy Bacik @ (412)885-8812/(412)370-4260**

or [Arbacik@comcast.net](mailto:Arbacik@comcast.net).

**(Home or cell phone voicemail, text or email)**

If you want to be properly dressed for a summer filled with sun and fun then

*Tracy's Boutique* is the place to be

Wednesday, May 3rd from 6-9pm!

See you there!!

Like us on Facebook...



*"Tracy's Boutique"*