

Church of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin

5200 Greenridge Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15236

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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."

Today is Sunday, July 23, 2017

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This week marks our annual Vacation Bible School program. We will welcome 120 children ages 4 to 11, along with a large number of high school and adult volunteers. This year's theme is "Maker Fun Factory – Created by God, Built for a Purpose." Thank you to Ria Fruscello and Heather Hampton, co-chairpersons of this big week of fun and Catholic education.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Sunday: *VBS Kickoff Picnic*, after 12:00 Noon Mass

Monday: *St. Monica Prayer Group*, 7:00 pm, Church

Tuesday: *Jr. Legion of Mary*, 10:00 am, Rectory

Wednesday: *Rosary & Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions*, 6:45 and *Mass*, 7:00 pm; *Legion of Mary*, 7:30 pm, Rectory

Thursday: *Legion of Mary*, 9:00 am, Rectory; *Bingo*, 7:00 pm, hall

Sunday: *VBS Cookie Social*, after 12:00 Noon Mass

Please continue using our ***St. Gabriel Food Club Cards*** when 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, and Shop 'N Save.***

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In charity, please remember all members, relatives, friends and benefactors of our parish and community, with special consideration for the sick, homebound and distressed members.

Pray also for the repose of ***Loretta Chisler***, Mother of Sandy Stearn, Aunt of Carol Laurent, ***Kathleen (Nesbitt) Collier***, Daughter of Catherine Nesbitt, ***James Berardi***, Husband of Kathleen Berardi, and ***Luke Williams***, Brother of Ria Fruscello, who died this past week.

Fr. John W. Skirtich,
Administrator

Fr. Michael S. Suslowicz,
Parochial Vicar

Fr. John R. Haney,
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Baptisms: Call Rectory to
schedule

Confessions: Saturday:
12 Noon-1 pm &
after weekday
Masses when
requested

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RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Pope Benedict on Life ... “The causes that lead to such painful decisions as abortion are of course many and complex. If, on the one hand, faithful to her Lord’s commandment, the Church never tires of reaffirming that the sacred value of every human being’s life originates in the Creator’s plan, on the other hand, she encourages the promotion of every initiative in support of women and families in order to create the favorable conditions in which to welcome life, and the protection of the family institution founded on the marriage between a man and a woman. Not only has permitting recourse to the termination of pregnancy not solved the problems that afflict many women and a fair number of families, but it has also made another wound in our society, unfortunately, already burdened by deep suffering.”

...Address of Pope Benedict XVI to Italy’s Pro-Life Movement, May 12, 2008

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REBORN IN CHRIST

Two children received the Sacrament of Baptism here last week and are now privileged to share in the Divine Life of Christ:

Austin Isaac Skeans, Son of Shawn and Jenna Skeans

Wesley Clay Woods, Son of James and Samantha Woods

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MARRIAGE BANNS

II Walter Robert Muehlbauer, St. Albert the Great & **Elizabeth Marie Dunn**, St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin

II Timothy Storino, St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin & **Katylin Grim**

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PRE-CANA PREPARATION

The Diocesan mandated pre-Cana marriage preparation course will be held at Holy Apostles Parish, in the Faith Formation Building, on **Friday, September 15** and **Saturday, September 16**. Registration is required with a fee of \$60 (to cover books and other expenses). Please contact the Church Office at 412-884-7744 ext. 206 to register.

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ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE!

Building the Kingdom of God – In today’s Gospel Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a number of different things: a man who sowed good seed, a mustard seed, and yeast. Similarly, there is no one way to build up the Kingdom of God in the Church. As the *On Mission for The Church Alive!* initiative progresses, our parishes will be restructured to better serve the needs of our communities, but the results will not be cookie-cutter. In fact, each grouping of parishes will be asked to discover the best ways to build up the Kingdom of God in light of the unique situations of their families and neighborhoods. In the end, it is hoped that the Church, the Body of Christ, will grow and flourish as we focus on how God’s life is alive in us. What gifts has God planted in your heart that can allow His love and goodness to be share with others? Visit www.onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.

Catholicscomehome.org

(check it out!)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For the week of: June 18, 2017 \$27,367.09

We acknowledge, with sincere gratitude, the following donations:

To St. Gabriel Awareness Fund:

\$125 in memory of Loretta Chisler from Family

\$125 in memory of Kathleen (Nesbitt) Collier from Family

\$100 in memory of Lois Chajkowski from Family

\$100 in honor of the Baptism of Austin Isaac Skeans from Gary and Dolores Barrett

To St. Gabriel School:

\$ 50 from the Flaig Family

\$ 50 in memory of Loretta Chisler from Stanley and Constance Nowak

\$ 50 in memory of Loretta Chisler from Harry and Barb Grosse

\$ 25 in memory of Loretta Chisler from Barbara Harkness

\$ 20 in loving memory of Aunt Loretta Chisler from Terri and Larry Hoffman

\$ 20 in memory of Loretta Chisler from Mary Jane Buchan

To St. Gabriel Parish Share:

\$100 in memory of Shawn Nieman from Jane O. Cahill

\$ 25 in memory of Shawn Nieman from Ron Misko

ST VINCENT RAFFLE

St. Vincent Development Club 2017/2018 Raffle Tickets are now available – get your lucky ticket today by calling the Rectory (412-881-8115). Tickets are \$100 and can be paid \$10 monthly or \$100 total when you purchase your ticket (checks made payable to St. Vincent's). St. Vincent's is now accepting Master Card or Visa. Fr. Haney has sold 137 winning tickets since the 2003/2004 Raffle.

September \$10.00	October \$20.00	November \$30.00
June \$100.00	CASH PRIZES \$514,700.00	
	BONUS PRIZES - Two College Scholarships*	
	Saint Vincent Development Club, Latrobe, PA 15650-2690/phone 724-805-2217	
	10 MONTHS - FIVE AWARDS DAILY - MONDAY THRU SATURDAY	
	\$1,200 each day Monday thru Saturday beginning Monday, September 4, 2017	
	\$500 exact match • \$250 one above • \$250 one below • \$100 two above • \$100 two below	
	FOUR SPECIAL WEEKS \$3,500 MONDAY THRU SATURDAY	
	Thanksgiving - November 13-18, 2017 • Christmas - December 18-23, 2017	
	Easter - March 26-31, 2018 • 42nd Week - June 18-23, 2018	
	\$2,000 exact match • \$500 one above • \$500 one below • \$250 two above • \$250 two below	
	FINAL WEEK JUNE 25-JUNE 30, 2018	
	\$12,000 Monday thru Friday	
	\$5,000 exact match • \$2,000 one above • \$2,000 one below • \$1,000 two above • \$1,000 two below	
	\$30,000 final day, Saturday, June 30, 2018	
	\$20,000 exact match • \$3,500 one above • \$3,500 one below • \$1,500 two above • \$1,500 two below	
	TWO BONUS DAYS — SCHOLARSHIPS ON NUMBER REVERSED	
	January 1 and May 7, 2018	
	ON AVERAGE 1 OUT OF 8 TICKETS IS A WINNER	
May \$90.00	March \$70.00	February \$60.00
April \$80.00		

SAMPLE TICKET NO. ###



GOOD LUCK!

MASS INTENTIONS

July 24 to July 30, 2017

MONDAY – FEAST OF ST. SHARBEL MAKHLUF

7:30 am John Nevins Anniversary (req. Family)
11:30 am Martha Laukaitis (Birthday) (req. Daughters)

TUESDAY – FEAST OF ST. JAMES

7:30 am Robert Southorn (req. St. Benedict the Abbot Bridge Group)
11:30 am Donna Young (req. Chuck and Maggie Coulehan)

WEDNESDAY – FEAST OF SS. JOACHIM & ANNE

7:30 am Rege Walsh (Anniversary) (req. Family)
6:30 pm *Rosary & Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions*
7:00 pm Anna McDonald (req. Tom and Cheryl Schnippert)

THURSDAY – WEEKDAY

7:30 am Al Strittmatter (Birthday) (req. Keith and Joann Holzer)
11:30 am Josephine DeMare (Birthday) (req. Family)

FRIDAY – WEEKDAY

7:30 am Susan Stopperich (req. Friends)
11:30 am Joseph and Marie Etoe (req. Ed and Therese Hoetzlein)

SATURDAY – FEAST OF ST. MARTHA

9:00 am Special Intentions of Lois Held (req. Bill and Karen)
11:30 am Gloria Jean Miket (req. Minnie Pascarella)
6:00 pm John and Mildred Englehart (Birthday) (req. Bob and Evelyn Englehart)

SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017 – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 am Deceased Members of the Mondell and
Vodzak Families (req. Yvonne and Michelle)
10:00 am Barbara Baker Lahr (req. Anne and Joel Madison)
12:00 Noon Viola Stanny (req. Family)
4:30 pm Madelyn McNally (req. Betty Mae Siegel)

BINGO

The next **St. Gabriel All-Paper Bingo** will be held **Thursday, July 27, 2017** in the parish hall. Bulls-eye game begins at 7:00 pm. For information, visit www.stgabespgh.org/bingo.

Menu: Chicken Parmesan Sandwich * Chips * Dessert * Beverage

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – July 24 to July 30, 2017

Monday, July 24	7:30 am	Katie Lucarelli and Nathan Mickolay
	11:30 am	Mario DelRosario and Abigail Lease
Tuesday, July 25	7:30 am	Ella Martinko and Ella Reiche
	11:30 am	Anna and Brady Walsh
Wednesday, July 26	7:30 am	Alayna and Paul Kercher
Thursday, July 27	7:30 am	Daniel Goldbach and Maria Koltas
	11:30 am	Andrew and Avery Barrett
Friday, July 28	7:30 am	Max Tiriobo and Nathan Trainer
	11:30 pm	Erin Hampton and Susan Skindzier
Saturday, July 29	9:00 am	Savanna Brunick and Abigail Truzzi
	11:30 am	Antonio LaPorte and Emmy Zandier
Sunday, July 30	6:00 pm	John Guilinger, Andrew and Peter Koltas
	8:00 am	Louisa Tiriobo, Alex and Jacob Yanity
	10:00 am	Hannah Feth, Elena and Emilia Zandier
	12:00 Noon	Dennis Shapiro, Daniel and Haley Goldbach
	4:30 pm	Jake Garda, Grace McCusker and Nick Regel

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

THANK YOU

The CCD/Meeting House, used for many faith formation programs, now has a functioning kitchen thanks to carpenter Bob Hoffmann (412-523-5778) and plumber Steve Brinker (412-260-4520). They did in several hours what I could not accomplish in months; I am very grateful. The parish is blessed to have such faithful members who give of their time and talents so willingly. Thank you also to Dave and Renee Meyer for donating kitchen cabinets and a pantry. They look great and many of our organizations will benefit from them!

...Carol Vater, CCD Program Director

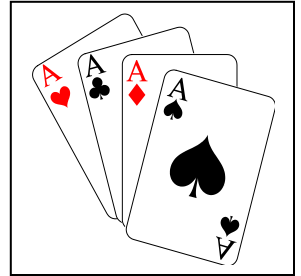
SGAA NEWS

SGAA registration information and forms for the 2017-2019 school year are available on our school website: www.stgabrielpgh.orr under Student Life, Athletics. Please fill out and return to Melissa Stefanyszyn. Contact information is included on the forms.

...St. Vincent de Paul has placed a Blue Drop Box for clothing and shoes in the parking lot back corner as you come into the lot. Please use this drop box to help the poor in our community.

ATTENTION LADIES

It is time to sign up for our **Ladies 500 Card Flight for the 2017-2018** Season. For more information or registration, call Mary Anne Schirra (412-882-6473) or Dianne Kyslinger (412-882-2519), or fill in the following form and mail it to Mary Anne Schirra, 444 Lantern Hill Drive, Pgh., PA 15236. **Deadline is August 27th.**



LADIES "500"

NAME _____

PARTNER'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

PHONE _____

DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR SEPARATED?

The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce or death is a traumatic experience. The **Beginning Experience** weekend is intended to help the widowed, divorced or separated who would like to pass through the grief and begin to move forward with their lives. The next retreat weekend will be **September 15th-17th** at the Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, 5244 Clarwin Ave. (located in West View/Ross Twp.). Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, visit www.BeginningExperience.org or make a confidential call to Mary at 412-523-2405 or Steve at 412-720-8694. You may also contact Karen Walker (St. Gabriel parishioner) at 412-884-5904.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD...Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held **September 29th-October 1st** at Tabor House in Millvale. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, forgiveness and compassion to women (and men) struggling with abortion's aftermath. To register and to get more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email toniaf1@comcast.net.

LEGION OF MARY

Trip to National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima – 2-day bus trip, **Fri.-Sat., July 28-29**, to Washington, NJ, to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions. Bus leaves at 9:00 am from St. Anne School, Castle Shannon. The Legion of Mary Saturday program includes Rosary, Mass, conferences, lunch, and visiting the sites on the grounds, Exposition, Adoration and Benediction. Plenary indulgence approved for the Jubilee Year of Fatima.

Cost for bus, motel room and buffet breakfast is \$265 (one person) or \$199 (double occupancy). For more information contact Kathy at 724-283-6870 or legionofmary@embargmail.com.