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ST. GABRIEL PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a worshipping, believing, and caring community, St. Gabriel Parish participates in the mission of Jesus Christ, remembered most intensely at Sunday Assembly through proclamation of The Word and the sharing of the Eucharistic Meal. This Community, so nourished, lives its faith in prayer, education and outreach.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday Vigil Masses: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM and 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses: Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday: 8:30 AM

(Wednesday: Communion Service 8:30 AM)

Communal Reconciliation Service: every first Saturday at 3:30 pm in the church with individual confession and absolution.

Individual Reconciliation (Confession): By appointment with any priest.

Infant Baptism: Please contact the Parish Center to schedule baptism preparation if needed. Baptism is administered any Sunday at 1:30 pm.

Marriage: Please contact the Parish Center at least six [6] months prior to the proposed wedding date.

First Communion, Sunday School, Adult Education, Anointing of the Sick, R.C.I.A., Confirmation: Please call 415-731-6161.

Welcome New Parishioners! Would you like to register in our parish or join our mailing list?
Please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket, or leave it at the Parish Center Office.

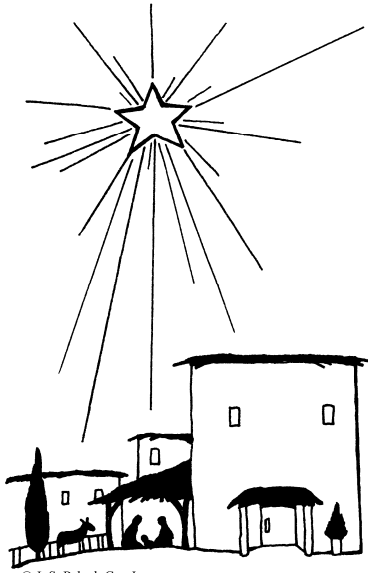
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JANUARY 5, 2020
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

LIGHT OF THE WORLD



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Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to

worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalms — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
 National Migration Week
 Monday: St. André Bessette
 Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
 Julian Calendar Christmas

READINGS, JANUARY 12, 2020

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;

Acts 10:34-38;

Mt 3:13-17

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Faith that increaseth, walking in the light;
 Hope that aboundeth, happy and bright;
 Love that is perfect, casting out fear;
 These shall assure you a Happy New Year.

Peace in the Saviour, rest at his feet,
 Smile of His Countenance, radiant and sweet,
 Joy in His presence! Christ ever near!
 This will assure you a Happy New Year!

~F.R. Havergal

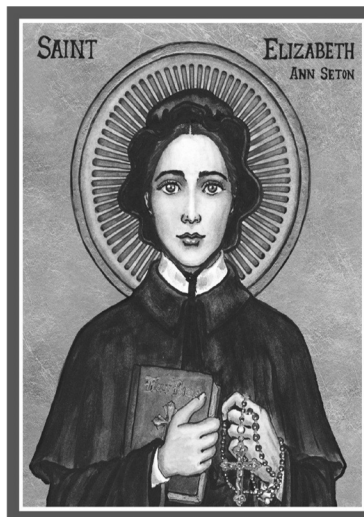


WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins at the end of next week, on **Saturday, January 18th**, and continues through **Saturday, January 25th**. The theme for 2020 is "They Showed Us Unusual Kindness." (cf. Acts 28:2) Let us join with Christians around the world praying "that all may be one...that the world may believe" (John 17:21). There will be prayer cards in the pews for your reflection next week.

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON

(1774-1821)
 January 4



Though her liturgical designation is "Religious," Elizabeth Seton, her feast-day prayer reminds us, was also wife, mother, educator, foundress. Born into a wealthy Episcopalian family, Elizabeth married William Seton, whose untimely death in Italy where the young family sought healing for William's tuberculosis, left

her, at twenty-nine, a widow with five children. Inspired by the faith and charity of the Italian family with whom they stayed, Elizabeth embraced Catholicism despite her family's disowning her and ceasing financial support. This woman of many firsts (and several vocations!) opened the first free Catholic school, beginning the American Catholic educational system, and founded the first American religious community for women, the Sisters of Charity. The tuberculosis that claimed her husband took also her oldest and youngest daughters and, finally, at just forty-seven, Elizabeth herself. Another first: in 1975 she was canonized the first native-born American saint. Once asked to summarize her spirituality, she replied: "Faith lifts the staggering soul on one side, hope supports it on the other, experience says it must be, and love says let it be!"

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ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL NEWS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We wish the entire SG community a very happy, prosperous and peaceful 2020! We look forward to all that this year will bring us. We are so grateful for all that St. Gabriel School offers the young growing minds of our community, a conventional education based on strong Catholic principals. We will continue to strive, evolve and dedicate all resources to the beautiful individuals who enter Saint Gabriel to learn and leave to serve.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Save the date! As part of Catholic Schools Week, St. Gabriel will be hosting an Open House. All are welcome to pop over to the school after Mass on Sunday, January 26th at 11:15 AM. More details to follow!

TODAY IS SVDP SANDWICH SUNDAY!

Today, **January 5th**, the St. Gabriel Conference of SVDP will be collecting wrapped sandwiches for the needy. Please bring your offering by **no later than 12 Noon**. Members of SVDP will be outside of church before and after Mass to receive your donations. Cash donations are also welcomed and appreciated. Many thanks for your generosity!

CONVERGING ROADS

Converging Roads Health Care Ethics Conference- Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society

The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of San Francisco, Region XI of the Catholic Medical Association, and St. Patrick's Seminary and University, present the second Converging Roads health care ethics conference on **Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 8:15 AM to 6:00 PM** at St. Patrick's Seminary & University in Menlo Park. The conference theme is Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society, and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered. For more information visit convergingroads.com.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

All parents who would like to have their children baptized at St. Gabriel are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. The next class will be on **Saturday, January 11th at 10:45 AM** in the Parish Center. You must call the Parish Center at 415-731-6161 to reserve your spot at least three days in advance.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In the coming week we ask your prayers for the following: Deanna Aguello, Lauren Belluomini, Madeleine Bonpin, Louise, Camilleri, Billfield Cheng, Mary B. Chien, Delia Dumantay, Pedro D. Dy, Dan Feeney, Victoria Fox, Shirley Latham, Michael Madden, Janet McCarthy, Marian Ritchie, Erlinda Ronas, Alfredo Siy and Louise Vaillencourt.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

January 12, 2020	Religious Education Classes
January 19, 2020	Religious Education Classes
January 26, 2020	Religious Education Classes

For more information, please call our Director of Religious Education, Nancy Becerra, at 415-731-6161 or email her at dre@sgparish.org.

FIRST COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Tuesday, **January 7, 2020 at 7:00PM** in the Church. Parents and First Communicants must attend. Chapter One in your First Communion Book is due on **Tuesday, January 14th**.



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

On **Saturday, January 11, 2020** the Confirmation Program will go on its overnight retreat to Redwood Glen in Loma Mar. The CYO bus will depart from the St. Gabriel parking lot at 11:30 AM and return to St. Gabriel on Sunday, January 12th at 4:30 PM. Let us pray for our Confirmation candidates that this retreat will be an opportunity to encounter God in new ways with their peers.

ITEMS CANDIDATES NEED TO BRING

Bag lunch for Saturday; clothes for rainy days and cool evenings; sleeping bag and pillow; toiletries; two pairs of shoes (in case they get muddy or wet); positive attitude!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 10:00 AM
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
111 Gough St., San Francisco

All husbands and wives celebrating a "5-year wedding anniversary (5, 10, 15...35, 40), or over 40 years in 2020 are invited to attend and be recognized. The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone. Registration is required at www.anniversarymass.net or call 415-614-5680. Please register by February 21st.

FULFILL TODAY

If what you did yesterday still looks big to you, surely you have not done much today.

—Anonymous

**MASS INTENTIONS
JANUARY 6 - 12, 2020**

Mon.	8:30 am	Joseph Byrne
Tues.	8:30 am	Matthew Manalo (L)
Wed.	8:30 am	Communion Service
Thurs.	8:30 am	Marie Hong Tran
Fri.	8:30 am	Nicanor Salubayba
Sat.	8:30 am	Kathleen Higgins
	5:00 pm	Joseph Byrne
Sun.	8:00 am	Shane, Annie & Michael Cunningham
	10:00 am	Con & Kathleen Hurley
	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners
	5:30 pm	John O'Connell

**NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS
JANUARY 11-12, 2020**

5:00 PM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
8:00 AM	Fr. Freddie Thomas
10:00 AM	Fr. Tom Hamilton
12:00 PM	Fr. Ron Clemo, S.J.
5:30 PM	TBA

Due to early bulletin deadlines, the offerings from December 21 & 22, Christmas and December 28 & 29 will be printed in an upcoming bulletin. We thank you for your generous support of St. Gabriel Church!



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**WOMEN'S BIBLE
STUDY/PRAYER GROUP**

The next Women's Bible Study/Prayer Group will be on **Tuesday, January 7, 2020 from 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM** at the Parish Center. This group meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. This is a drop-in study group and all are welcome! Please join us!

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 11, 2020
5:00 pm **Brenda Peralta**

SUNDAY, January 12, 2020
8:00 am **Patricia Salubayba**
10:00 am **Natalie Kojima**
12:00 pm **Susan Ryan**
5:30 pm **Cherrymae Jumoc**

**ST. GABRIEL CHURCH
PARISH MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES**

PRAYER GROUP: The prayer group meets every Friday morning from 10:30 - 11:30 AM in the Quinn Center Chapel.

SODALITY: First Sunday of each month, 10:00 AM Mass.

ULLOA SENIORS: Every Wednesday at 1:30 PM in the Quinn Center. Refreshments and Bingo.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets in the Quinn Parish Center each Saturday after the 8:30 AM Mass.

RCIA: If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or in completing initiation (First Eucharist or Confirmation) contact Matt Shea at 731-6161 for more information. Sessions begin in late September.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Saturday of each month after the 8:30 AM Mass.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 PM in church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: On all Sundays except the 1st Sunday of the month. Starts in August.

For more information, call Nancy Becerra at 415-731-6161.

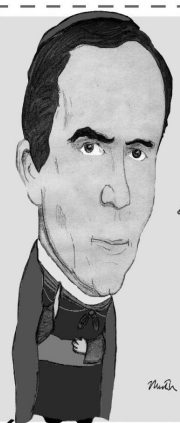
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM first Monday of the month in the Quinn Center.

ROSARY: The Rosary is said every weekday after the 8:30 AM Mass

YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE: (YLI): Meets the third Saturday of each month at 12 Noon for a bag lunch followed by a meeting in the Parish Center.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES: Every 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:45 AM in the Parish Center. Registration required. Call the Parish Center to reserve your space.

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January 5



St. John Neumann

19th-century Redemptorist priest from Bohemia. He immigrated to the United States, became bishop of Philadelphia, and founded the first diocesan school system in the United States.

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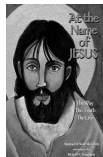
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