



Saint Gabriel

CATHOLIC PARISH

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. CF Commission Items: Parish Council Liaison
 - a. All Commission Meeting will be February 7th @ 9am
 - b. For Discussion: How does your commission fit our Mission of Proclaim, Form & Live?
 - i. Proclaim: personal invitation.
 - 1. We keep the door open to meet people where they are at in their faith journey.
 - 2. We teach the church about Jesus by giving them opportunities to grow in their relationship with Jesus.
 - 3. Marry curiosity with faith
 - 4. Proclaim & Form go together in Formation
 - ii. Form
 - 1. Includes all ages – children, teens, adults, families, etc.
 - 2. Be open to creative ways to meet all the ages; adapting to learning needs of the time.
 - a. Family events, 1-on-1 meetings, small groups, etc.
 - iii. Live
 - 1. Through our work, 'Do not be afraid' – need to step out of comfort zone
 - a. Ask the questions, invite others in
 - 2. Having non-parishioners join some of our programs
 - 3. Continuation of small groups from high school through adulthood.
 - 4. Hearing stories of our catholic faith being shared in secular settings – at workplaces, in public schools
- III. CF Staff Updates
 - a. Adult Formation
 - i. 2 OCIA inquirers that Dave is meeting with
 - ii. Adult Confirmation Mass will be offered at Holy Hill in January. We have one candidate for adult confirmation.
 - 1. TMIY, WWP, and Thoughtful Thursdays have begun meeting
 - 2. Some new faces have joined the groups
 - 3. Advent by Candlelight will be offered in December for women of our parish
 - a. Will rotate with Women's Lenten Retreat
 - 4. Advent planning has begun
 - 5. Lenten Mission will be in February this year. Fr. Timothy Anastos will be the presenter.
 - b. Children Formation
 - i. 83 total students registered for the 2026-2027 year



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1. 15 returning 3rd graders!
2. 17 1st Communicants
3. 14 kids on Tuesday night
- ii. Questions for discussion
 1. How to have a level 3?
 - a. Set-up/tear down
 - b. Build within another atrium?
 2. How to sustain this program?
 - a. Training is difficult for recruitment of new people
 - b. Time involved can be challenging
- iii. Catechist meeting on Thursday Night – September 24th
- c. Youth Ministry
 - i. 61 students enrolled in Youth Ministry
 - ii. Confirmation numbers are down but everyone enrolled last year is back.
 1. Will see a dip in numbers the next 2 years then numbers go back up
 - iii. MS formation numbers are up.
 - iv. The program is holding steady with its current format
 1. Did add a Fun Night which is meant to invite people in
- d. Additional Business
 - i. Family Faith Night on November 6th – Nick Scanlan to offer praise and worship music
 - ii. Catholic Schools Week Open House – Friday, February 5, 2027
 1. This will also include the Ministry Fair so it will be like a school and parish open house
 - iii. Flippin' for Faith will happen again
 1. Working with the MARCC team
 2. February 9th, 2027
 - iv. Called & Gifted Worship will happen April 19th & 26th
- e. Next Meeting October 27, 2026