

May 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Hispanic Ministry Food Sale After All Masses! 8 am Mass 10 am Columbiette Mass 12:30 pm Spanish Mass Emaus W 9-12 Parish Center Faith Formation 11-12:15pm Youth Ministry 2-3:30pm, Parish Center Alvernia Matrimonial 2:30pm, Rm 7&8	27 April All Parish Offices Closed	28 April Adoration 5:45pm Confession 6 pm 7 pm Mass	29 April 12 pm Mass Cantor Rehearsal 7pm OCIA Sessions 7pm Rm 5 & 7 Youth Confirmation Session 7 pm, Rm1 OLOG Dance Practice Parish Center 7pm	30 April 12 pm Mass Spanish Adult OCIA Session 7 pm, Rm1	1 12 pm Mass Spanish Marriage Course 7pm, Rm7,8,5&6 Cursillo Mtg. 7-9pm, Rm1&2	2 First Saturday 7 am Mass 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm Mass Adoration 5 pm-12 am 
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10 Mother's Day K of C Pancake Breakfast after 8am & 10am Mass Mothers eat free! 8 am Mass 10 am Mass No Faith Formation 12:30 pm Spanish Mass Emaus H 9-4 Parish Center	11 All Parish Offices Closed	12 Adoration 5:45pm Confession 6 pm 7 pm Mass	13 12 pm Mass OCIA Sessions 7pm Rm 5 & 7 Youth Confirmation Session 7 pm, Rm1 OLOG Dance Practice Parish Center 7pm	14 12 pm Mass Parish Office Closed Columbiette Mtg. Rm 3 & 4, 6:30pm Spanish Adult OCIA Session 7 pm, Rm1	15 12 pm Mass Parish Office Closed Spanish Marriage Course 7pm, Rm3,4,5&6 Cursillo Mtg. 7-9pm, Rm1&2	16 Rosary for Fatima 12 pm 1st. Comm. Sessions 12-1:30pm 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm Mass Cursillo Mtg. 6-9pm, Parish Center
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday/Domingo...8:00 a.m. English, 9:00 a.m. Rosary, 10:00 a.m. in English & 12:30 p.m. en Español
Tuesday/Martes.....6:00-7:00 p.m.
Adoration Benediction/Adoración y Bendición 7:00 p.m. Mass/Misa
Wednesday/Miércoles.....12:00 p.m.
Thursday/Jueves.....12:00 p.m.
Friday/Viernes.....12:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sábado.....4:00 p.m. in English

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 5:45 p.m.
By appointment with the pastor

PARISH STAFF

PastorFr. Romen Acero
Director of Religious Education/ Directora de Educacion Religiosa
Director of Hispanic Ministries/Directora de Ministerios Hispanos....
Sr./Hna. Maria Sanchez, HSMG

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS/HORAS DE OFICINA

Tuesday/Martes - & Friday/Viernes 10:00 a.m.-2:00p.m.
All other times by appointment.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to our parish, you are encouraged to register as soon as possible. Registration in a parish is the norm and is required for registration in religious education, for sacramental preparation, and for sponsorship certificates. Registration forms are available in the parish office, or the ministry table in the Atrium.

BAPTISM: The celebration of Baptism is a moment of grace for those to be Baptized, for their families, as well as for the entire parish community. Please contact Sister Angie to register for preparation classes.

FAITH FORMATION: All children not attending Catholic school should be enrolled in our Faith Formation Program. For more information, please contact Sister Angie.

R.C.I.A.: Adults who would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith or wish to become Catholic should consider enrolling in R.C.I.A. classes. Interested persons should contact Sister Angie.

CONFIRMATION: Young adults may be confirmed after a preparation period starting in 10th grade and successful completion of requirements. For more information, please contact Sister Angie.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married must see a priest at least six months prior to the planned marriage. Pre-marriage instruction is required. Please do not set a date in advance until you have spoken to the pastor.

ANOINTING THE SICK: Please call the parish office if you or a member of your family needs the Sacrament of Anointing.

HOMEBOUND/SHUT-INS: If there is anyone who cannot come to Mass because of illness or age, we ask you to please call the parish office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: May 10th, after 8 am & 10 am Mass. Still \$5.00 a plate! Kids 5 and under eat free. Happy Mother's Day! Mothers Eat Free!

2026 CPC BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN BEGINS

MAY 17TH: The Carolina Pregnancy Center's Baby Bottle Campaign begins this year on May 17th, sponsored by the St. Gabriel Knights of Columbus. For those who aren't familiar with the campaign, each year the Carolina Pregnancy Center raises funds for its ongoing work helping pregnant mothers choose life through assistance, counseling, ultrasounds, material support, and other services. One of them is the baby bottle campaign, in which our church and other organizations will receive empty baby bottles to be filled with coins, cash, or checks made out to the Carolina Pregnancy Center or self-addressed envelopes. Last year, St. Gabriel raised over \$ 3,200 for the Pregnancy Center. This year let's try to top that goal! Your participation is appreciated. The campaign will run from May 17 to July 12. Please remember to return all bottles to the church atrium (empty or filled) or mail your checks before the July 12 deadline. When sending checks, please note in the memo section of each check "St. Gabriel Baby Bottle Campaign." Thank you for your generous support of this wonderful organization!

High school teens + middle school teens! There will be a CONTRA DANCE at St Gabriel Catholic Church on Saturday May 9 from 6-9pm! Your friends are welcome! Please sign up by scanning the QR code or go to the website. All proceeds back to St Gabriel YM:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/4090A48ADAE2DAAFD0-62959825-glow>

Dear Parishioners: Please join us for a Public Rosary Rally on **Saturday, May 16th at 12:00pm**. We will meet at the cross on the front lawn of St. Gabriel's and will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation and for peace, asking God to save America & the world through the rosary of His Most Holy Mother. To contact the leader about any questions email **Melissa Jones at jonesfam2005@verizon.net** or by calling/texting at **813-728-8590**. Please consider inviting friends and many others to lead a prayer/decade of the rosary to help us make this Rosary Rally a success! Bring a chair if needed and your rosary, hat and sunglasses. In case of inclement weather, we will pray under the covered entrance way or in the Church near the statue of the Blessed Mother.

Sanctuary Lamp: The Sanctuary Lamp burns the week of May 3rd, in memory of Mary Donaldson. The Sanctuary Lamp burns the week of May 10th, in memory of David Hull. The Sanctuary Lamp burns the week of May 17th, in memory of Marie Mirella. The Sanctuary Lamp is available for the remainder of May.

PRAYER LIST

Please keep those who are ill in your prayers, especially; Danielle Dzubay, John & Kay Andrason, Anna Blair Nelson Wall, Tristan Penner, Shirley McGill, Mike Forster, Martin J. Cox, Luis Chavez, Sister Paul Mary Draxler, Max Mault, Virginia & Anna Newby, Maureen Quinn, Jim & Miriam Benn, Mario Efrain Trejo, Ella Marcotte, Kathy May, Mechthild Schroeter, James Watson, Cindy Mirella, Leann Seelman, Joel, Kaydee, Charity Hemingway, Carol Kulikowski, Tom Glennon, Tom Christopher, Diane Hoehn, Peter Shipe, Dennis Dreblow, Stephanie Tetterton, Linda Cox, Jeffrey Parker, Jessica Cannon, P.J. Lewis, Rosa Sicilia, Jennifer Alexander, Brooke Blake, Lloyd May, Jack Whiteley, Lucy Palmer, Helen Catigan, Phyllis Pope, Gary Taylor, Donna Harris, Charles Gorham, Jeffrey Parker, Lucas Keller, Charlene Woodring, Tim Neal, Ginny West, Brenda Luther, Michelle Mack, Gail Allen, Joan Harris, Montie & Paula Pakowski, Richard Ipri, Dorie Tulis, David Williams, Ellie Sullivan, Wardle Family, Pat Adams, Eva Owens, Glenda Wagner, & Linda K. Thompson



HIGH SCHOOL + MIDDLE SCHOOL

Contra Dance

Register
\$15/teen →



MAY 9, 2026 | 6 PM - 9 PM
ST GABRIEL CHURCH
3250 DICKINSON AVE
GREENVILLE, NC

MASS INTENTIONS

OFFERTORY

Key Guidelines for Attire:

Modesty: Clothing should not be too tight, low-cut, or revealing.

Cover Shoulders/Knees: Dresses, skirts, and slacks should cover the knees, and shirts should have sleeves (no tank tops).

Avoid: Shorts, miniskirts, crop tops, flip-flops, and torn clothing.

Considerations: Men should remove hats; women may choose to wear a head covering (mantilla), though it is optional.

For Women:

Dresses, skirts (knee-length or longer), or dressy pants are appropriate.

Avoid tight jeans, spaghetti straps, and low-cut tops.

For Men:

Slacks and a dress shirt, polo, or suit/sport coat are encouraged.

Avoid wearing jerseys, t-shirts, or shorts.

Why it Matters:

Respect: Your appearance reflects internal reverence for Christ's presence.

Tradition: Historically, churches have maintained dress codes to ensure a solemn atmosphere.

While God accepts individuals as they are, dressing thoughtfully is a way to offer one's best in worship.

From the Catholic Times: <https://catholictimescolumbus.org/news/how-to-dress-for-church/>

5/1- 12:00pm.....Joseph Pasquarella†
.....By Annette Pasquarella

5/2- 7:00am.....Poor Souls in Purgatory

4:00pm.....Tom & Eleanor Dacey†
.....By The Broderick Family

5/3- 8:00am.....Shane Zubrecky†

10:00am.....Lucille Gorham†

12:30pm.....People of the Parish

5/5- 7:00pm.....All Pool Souls in Purgatory

5/6- 12:00pm.....John & Kay Andrason
.....By Ken & Gerry MacLeod

5/7- 12:00pm.....Dominic & Mary†

5/8- 12:00pm.....William Hieb†

5/9- 4:00pm.....Jovanny Dominguez Garcia

5/10- 8:00am.....John Stone†

10:00am.....Anniversary of John & Kay Andrason

12:30pm.....People of the Parish

5/12- 7:00pm.....All Pool Souls in Purgatory

5/13- 12:00pm.....Chickie Krane†
.....By Carol & Tom Muntha

5/14- 12:00pm.....Thomas Anthony†

5/15- 12:00pm.....Romeo Espanueva†

5/16- 4:00pm.....Mary Donaldson†
.....By Dot Briley

5/17- 8:00am.....Jamie Moore
.....By Ken & Gerry MacLeod

10:00am.....Mercedes Guerrero†
.....By The Romero Family

12:30pm.....People of the Parish

5/19- 7:00pm.....The Slocum Family
.....By Mia

April Offertory...\$26,422.46

April Second Collections

4/2 - Holy Thursday ...\$2,140.65

4/3 - Good Friday...\$2,771.22

4/5 - Easter Offering...\$5,889.00

4/12 - Roof Repair Fund...\$5,699.78

4/19 - HVAC Fund...\$2,282.00

4/26 - Catholic Home Missions Appeal...\$

May Second Collections

5/3 - Bldg. & Maintenance Fund ...\$

5/10 - Daughters of Our Lady of Guadalupe...\$

5/17 - Ascension Of The Lord...\$

5/24 - Pentecost...\$

5/31 - Priest Retirement...\$

MASS INTENTIONS

5/20- 12:00pm....Departed Friends of Murtha Lynk Family
.....By Tom & Carol Murtha

5/21- 12:00pm.....Paul & Hazel MacLeod†
.....By Ken & Gerry MacLeod

5/22- 12:00pm.....Ken MacLeod
.....By Ann Dacuycuy

5/23- 4:00pm.....People of the Parish

5/24- 8:00am.....People of the Parish

10:00am.....People of the Parish

12:30pm.....People of the Parish

5/26- 7:00pm.....Ramon & Lupita Guerrero†
.....By The Romero Family

5/27- 12:00pm.....John & Carmen Bradley
.....By Ken & Gerry MacLeod

5/30- 4:00PM.....Lupita Ruiz†
.....By Lupe Ruiz

5/28 & 5/29 – NO MASS

Dear Parishioners,

I am always grateful for your presence in our Eucharistic celebrations. Your presence is what truly gives meaning to our worship and our ministry. Also, I am deeply concerned about dress code in Church. Now that Summer is at hand, I would like you to please read this article and make a deep reflection on it. Grateful always for your presence and for your generosity,

Fr. Romén

How to dress for Mass.
Skin at Mass, by Father Paul J. Keller, OP, STD
May 1, 2024

Dear Father,

I live in the USA, but I come from a country where modesty is very important in my culture. For instance, at our Masses in my country we always dress up, even though our weather is mostly hot. My people would never think to show so much skin as I and my family see here. My question is this: Does it matter what we wear to Mass? I want to teach my children the correct attitude. Thank you. – Ebale

Dear Ebale,

From the priest's view from the sanctuary, we see everything in the congregation. Sometimes that means we see "everything!" One might think that Mass is just another day at the beach.

It seems that there are two schools of thought about what to wear to Mass. One school maintains that the manner of dress doesn't matter. T-shirts and flip-flops are just fine. What matters is that someone is at Mass. God doesn't care because He sees the heart and looks past the externals.

The other school of thought is that we are going to God's house and that we owe it to Him to dress up as a matter of respect for Him. What matters is that we are there to worship Him and our worship includes how we present ourselves. God cares about the externals as well as the interior heart.

I agree that God looks past the externals and sees into the heart. The Bible backs us up on this. We read in 1 Samuel 16:7: "For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

Our Lord Jesus doesn't mince words about false externals: "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness" (Matt 23:27). Revelation 19:8 teaches that righteous deeds are the fine clothing of the bride of Christ, which may lead one to think that actual garments don't matter.

On the other hand, the Sacred Scriptures are full of references to proper dress for divine worship. From the beginning, when Adam and Eve were naked, while still living in the temple that was Eden, God clothed them Himself with animal skins. I sometimes wonder if God would like to put some clothing on the modern-day Adams and Eves who appear at Mass in all states of immodest undress.

Time and again in the Old Testament, God gives specific directions about what those serving in the Temple were to wear: special clothing that was often costly.

In the parable about the guests invited to the wedding feast, our Lord has harsh words for the improperly dressed man: "bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness" (Matt 22:13).

And while I quoted from the book of Revelation that the bride's clothing will be her righteous deeds, we also find in Rev 7:9 that the saints will wear white robes in heaven (not just the Dominicans!).

Our bodies are important, including how we treat them and dress them. We are not just our souls. We are embodied spirits and our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Our bodies will be resurrected in eternal life.

While it seems obvious that God doesn't care about expensive clothing (especially the ripped jeans that sometimes retail for more than dress slacks), He is not fooled by how we dress. Whether it is incarcerated persons in prison garb or the business suit of the bank owner, God sees both, and knows whether the repentant inmate may be more a saint than the banker. But when the banker shows up at Mass in an outfit meant for a run in the park, is God blind to the apparent carelessness?

In the document "Happy Are Those Who Are Called to His Supper," the U.S. bishops wrote: "We should also come to the sacred liturgy appropriately dressed. As Christians we should dress in a modest manner, wearing clothes that reflect our reverence for God and that manifest our respect for the dignity of the liturgy and for one another."

Modesty, the Catechism of the Catholic Church (2521-2522) teaches, "protects the intimate center of a person. It means refusing to unveil what should remain hidden; ... modesty is decency. It inspires one's choice of clothing. It keeps silence or reserve where there is evident risk of unhealthy curiosity. It is discreet."

The way we dress and act, especially at Mass, reflects our interior state. Yes, God sees the heart but we don't. Yes, we are not to judge others by their appearances, but we are also not to cause scandal or distraction or temptation to others, especially at church. St. Paul teaches that "those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty" (1Cor 12:23).

It is good, Ebale, that you continue to teach your children to respect themselves by how they dress and treat others, including how they show respect to God at Mass.

It would be a good idea to speak to your pastor about guidelines for modesty at church. Maybe the phrase "our Sunday best" can have meaning again.

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