

i will lay down
MY LIFE
for the sheep

JOHN 10:15





St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

100 North Main Street
Marlboro, New Jersey 07746

Welcome!

The Parish Family of St. Gabriel's extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners.

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Eugene J. Roberts
Weekend Assistant: Rev. Joseph Barbone
Deacons: Lester Owens (Retired) Richard Morris and Richard Scotti
Pastoral Administrator: Donna Fortini
Business Manager: Richard Holton
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Religious Education Director: Mary Mykityshyn, MA
Youth Minister & Safe Environment Coordinator: Marie Masiello
Director of Liturgical Music: Andrew DePrisco
Associate Director/Cantor: David Smolokoff

TELEPHONE

Parish Center: 732.946-4487
Church Office: Ext 201
Religious Education Office: Ext 218
Youth Ministry Office: Ext 6
Safe Environment Coordinator: Ext 7
NEW CHURCH OFFICE FAX: 732-858-8996
Mausoleum/Cemetery: Richard Holton: 908.208-0786
Website: www.stgabrielsparish.org
E-Mail: info@stgabrielsparish.org

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office Hours are Monday—Thursday: 9:00AM—3:30PM. FRIDAYS: 9:00AM to 1:00PM NO SATURDAY or SUNDAY OFFICE HOURS. All parish business should be conducted during the WEEKDAY hours if possible. PLEASE CALL TO MAKE PERSONAL APPOINTMENTS WITH THE PASTOR.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00AM - 3:00PM
(Please call ahead)
Closed Friday

MAUSOLEUM HOURS

SUNDAY THROUGH SATURDAY FROM 8AM TO 4:30PM
MAUSOLEUM & CEMETERY PLOT INFORMATION
908-208-0786

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY 4:30PM

LITURGY SCHEDULE:

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00PM
Sunday Masses: 8:00AM; 9:30AM; 11:00AM; 5:00PM
Holy Day Masses: See schedule inside bulletin
Daily Mass: Tuesday 10:00AM In the Historic Church
Thursday 10:00AM in the Historic Church

MARRIAGES:

The Sacrament of Marriage requires time for preparation. Arrangements are to be made with a priest/deacon of the parish one year before the date of the marriage. Either the bride or the groom must be a registered member of the parish. Your church date and time must be set prior to setting your reception date and time. The Pre-Cana Conferences or Engaged Encounter must be part of the marriage preparation. There are no weddings on Sunday. To make Pre-Cana arrangements on line at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/precana or call at 609-401-7156.

BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday, at 12:15PM. A Baptismal Preparation Class is required and both parents are responsible to attend this class, which is held on the 1st Monday of the month in the Parish Center Media Room. **Parents Must be Registered Parishioners Prior to Class Date. Contact the Church Office. A Baptism Date Cannot Be Scheduled Prior To Attending A Scheduled Class.**

LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY

In order to receive a letter of eligibility to be a godparent or confirmation sponsor, you must come in person to the parish office and must be an active, registered parishioner of at least 3 months. You must have received Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation; and, if married, be in a valid Catholic marriage.

CARE OF THE SICK:

Those confined to home due to illness or age should contact the Church Office. Arrangements will be made to bring the Eucharist and, if needed, the Sacrament of the Sick.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

WELCOME!!! All new parishioners are requested to register in the parish by completing a Parish Census Form available at the Parish Office or online at www.stgabrielsparish.org. In order to receive a recommendation to be a godparent or sponsor you must be a registered member of the parish for three months and a person practicing his/her faith. Also, if married, you must be in a valid Catholic marriage.

MASS Intentions

ST. GABRIEL'S MAIN CHURCH

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

5:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

8:00 AM MILDRED BUFANIO
John Porzio & Family
AMBROSE & LILLIAN REILLY
Maureen

9:30 AM PASQUALE PACE
John Petrizzi and Family
GIOVANNI VAIRO
A Friend
MARYANN & CAETANO PEREIRA
The Gomes Family

11:00AM FRANK & JOSEPHINE CORTALE
The Cortale Family
YOLANDA MAZZOLA
The Family

5:00PM LOUIS SGRIZZI
The Family
MICHAEL MAURO
Alfred Jusra
AMBROSE & LILLIAN REILLY
Maureen

MASS & SERVICES

Monday, APRIL 22, 2024
NO SERVICE

Tuesday, APRIL 23, 2024
10:00 AM ANYA BHANDARE
Her Parents

Wednesday, APRIL 24, 2024
NO SERVICE

Thursday, APRIL 25, 2024
10:00AM

Friday, APRIL 26, 2024
NO SERVICE

Eucharistic Adoration

Have you ever thought about spending some
"alone time" with Jesus?
Then may we invite you to come to our
Adoration Pavillion!
Come anytime day or night, 24 hours a day!!
Respect Life Holy Hour
Thursday, all day.
and on First Fridays
Knights of Columbus/Respect Life
Would like to welcome you to spend some time
with Jesus

Weekly Collection

WEEKLY AND ONLINE COLLECTION FOR
APRIL 14, 2024: \$12,475.00
*I wish to express my deepest thanks to you
For your wonderful generosity and
Support of your parish.*
FATHER ROBERTS

Congratulations To The Newly Baptized

NORA ANN BRAUN
GIOVANNI FRANCIS TORRE

Banns Of Marriage

ANTHONY MARINO
and
JENNA CYRGALIS
I

*In Loving
Memory*
LUCILLE MURRAY

REFLECTION

April 21, 2024 –

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Each of us has that certain friend, relative or neighbor who is good at something that we're not. That ability could be about almost anything you can name. Baking a cake; building a deck; telling a story; driving an RV or flying a plane. It is these talents and abilities of others that make life better for us, even if we must fight off a little jealousy. But, when you add in your specialty, we have an expanded basis for gratitude, well past the fourth Thursday in November.

There is one Person who once came to live with us from a faraway place called heaven who had every possible talent and ability there could be: Our Lord Jesus. Even so, He put limits on Himself. Yes, He performed miracles. Yes, He rose from the dead. But in His teaching, He only told us what we needed to know; never to limit ourselves in becoming better; told us how to be better; and then invited us to live in His kingdom.

In today's Gospel Reading, Jesus made bold to call Himself "The Good Shepherd." That title meant more to His contemporaries than it does to us, at least at first glance. Most of us know nothing about this humble and difficult way of life called shepherding. We have to "Google" it. We do know that shepherds raise and tend to sheep.

When Jesus called Himself the "Good" Shepherd that word in John's gospel meant more than "good at" some task or other. It meant "noble" or "ideal" shepherd. That declared that Jesus was not like the bad shepherds who neglected their flocks and let them become victims of wolves. In fact, Jesus gave His life for His sheep, who, in this context are namely you and me.

The good news is that we are always part of His flock if we want to be. We will receive His attention, His care, His love. Of course, that word "if" makes all the difference. We can reject Him. Write Him off our list of priorities if you will. This happens to otherwise faithful sheep, particularly when inclusion in His flock, or loyalty to Him involves pain and difficulty.

In our society, with its upside-down value system, that pain may be no more than embarrassment at being known as His follower. Yet every crucifix, large or small, is a vivid reminder of how much He loves us and will not hold back His love if we repent. Like a good shepherd, He feeds His flock with the finest of foods, namely the Holy Eucharist. Boy is our Shepherd good at loving us, is He not? How are we at loving Him back?

Even a four-year-old little girl knows the coldness implied when we make no return to God. Her mother watched her one day hugging a doll in each of her pudgy little arms. After a few minutes, she wistfully looked up at her mother and said, "Mama, I love them and love them and love them, but they never love me back."

Well...God love you and may you always love Him back.

April 21, 2024

ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL BELONG

Sensory Friendly



Sunday Mass

St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church

100 North Main Street

Marlboro, NJ 07746

April 28, 2024 2PM

REFRESHMENTS AND CRAFTS AFTER MASS

RSVP: NORMONHIS@GMAIL.COM

Families are welcome to attend this Mass adapted to accommodate individuals with autism or other sensory needs.

Any questions email NORMONHIS@gmail.com



Pillar Four:

Reach the Smallest Unit:
Parish Small Groups and Families

When the bishops say to reach out to small groups and families, they're talking about people like you and me: readers of Catholic publications and blogs who are more likely than not involved in a Catholic community. Notice how the bishops' focus is getting closer and closer to home with each pillar. The first two focus on what needs to be proclaimed, and Pillars Three and Four focus on who needs to proclaim it. Namely, parishes need to proclaim the Real Presence. But not just parishes in a general sense—those small groups we are probably all a part of the need to proclaim it. The bishops are not only reaching out to us. They're also relying on us to reach out to others.

Parish small groups and families are often where a person's faith is born and sustained. Before the age of multimedia, the religious customs of the family, parish missions and similar engagements helped build a culture where faith was a natural part of life. This was practical. Sometimes it seems we've become so caught up in trying to find innovative ways to evangelize that we often look past the tried and true way that has worked for centuries: interactions within natural relationships in our families and those we meet at our church.

Customs and traditions that we hardly think twice about—like saying grace before meals and renewing our baptism in the holy water font—can be points of connection that foster familiarity among those who share those customs and traditions. If you can't think of how to bring up the Faith in a family setting, take out a sacramental that a friend or relative gave you for Confirmation or First Communion. Many of us have a rosary, a miraculous medal, a scapular, or something similar that brings back fond memories. These can be used not only to strengthen our own spiritual life, but to connect and share the Faith with those in our family as well.

Sacramentals are effective ways to start meaningful spiritual conversations with loved ones. The Catholic religion is familiar, tangible, relatable and human. If we practice our traditions, God's grace will make his kingdom a reality. When it comes to living out the faith in family life, Pope St. John Paul II said: "As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live." If Catholics effectively teach the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist at the family level by implementing our traditions into our family life and conversations, the belief will spread throughout the nation and world like yeast spreads in bread.

During the pandemic, small group meetings were discouraged not just in parishes but in all areas of society. Now is the time to get back to our parish small groups, or form new ones, and rebuild our parish communities stronger than they ever were. They may not be seen as such, but parishes can be bastions of Catholic education if they have a comprehensive faith formation curriculum. A parish's primary mission is to offer the sacraments, but it is also the ideal place to nurture faith in the Real Presence through good teaching, help Catholics build up their own personal faith, and build strong communities in the process.

About 20 percent of the U.S. is Catholic, but only about 20 percent of Catholics attend Mass regularly. That means that most of our Church is out there in the deep. Of the 20% who do attend church regularly, even fewer are actively involved in their parish. So when the bishop's talk about reaching out to small groups, I hope their main message is to reach out to tell the small groups to cast wider nets. "The healthy don't need a doctor." "Don't hide your light under a bushel." These sayings of Christ and more should motivate us to use parish small groups as vessels to evangelize beyond our parish walls.

When we see the faith being lived out by those who are already in our lives, it's easier for us to follow them by example. We may enjoy watching videos about the Faith by our favorite presenters, but if we don't evangelize in the small communities around us—such as our families and small groups, where faith can be implemented into everyone's lifestyle—it's going to be very difficult to sustain our beliefs in this secular culture—and even more difficult to live the life that those beliefs suggest.



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House
84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501
609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

FOCUSING WEEKEND: CARING FOR NEGATIVE FEELINGS

May 10 – 12 7 PM Friday – 10 AM Sunday

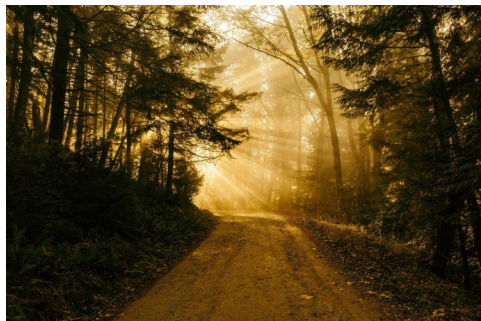
Focusing teaches us to carry negative emotions in such a way that they are healed from within and no longer weigh us down. Pack up your negative feelings and bring them along! Donation: \$200/\$75 non-refundable deposit. Residents and commuters are welcome. All meals and materials provided.
Led by S. Marcy.

7 – DAY SILENT DIRECTED RETREATS

Begins 7:00 PM – Ends 10:00 AM

- July 14 – 21 (Sun to Sun)
- July 24 – 31 (Wed to Wed)
- June 12 – 19 (Wed to Wed)
- August 18 – 25 (Sun to Sun)
- July 3 – 10 (Wed to Wed)
- Sept. 22 – 29 (Sun to Sun)

Daily liturgy, spiritual direction and optional centering prayer periods are included.
Donation: \$650/\$100 non-refundable deposit with registration.



**PROMISE TO PROTECT-PLEDGE TO HEAL
SECRETARIAT OF CHILD
AND YOUTH PROTECTION
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U. S. Bishops’ Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the report and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. The Diocese has in place a Victim’s Assistance Coordinator, who is available to obtain support for your needs and help you make a formal complaint of abuse.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

The Diocese encourages anyone with an allegation to also report that abuse to their local law enforcement Agency. The Diocese reports all allegations received to the appropriate county prosecutor’s office.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is inspired by Gospel values. Our volunteers grow in holiness and build a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.

When you give to the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Gabriel’s, you support the efforts of our Vincentian volunteers as we share our time, talents, and treasures with vulnerable neighbors, providing hope and help with food, rent, utility assistance and more.

If you need help or know of someone in need in the Marlboro/Morganville area or in our parish family, please call our **Hotline (732) 946-4487 Extension 240** and leave a message for our intake coordinator.

All calls are kept confidential.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord of the harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization.

We ask the Holy spirit to inspire young men to seriously consider vocations to the priesthood. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church in the future.

Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Great High Priest. Amen.



PRAYER TO ST. GABRIEL

*Oh Dear Gabriel, help us to be
diplomatic
And watch over us,
As you did with Christ.
Give us the strength to reason
And the humility to listen.*

“The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government.” Thomas Jefferson

TO GIVE TO UKRAINE

<https://trentonmonitor.com/Content/News/Latest-News/Article/UPDATE-Where-to-give-to-help-Ukraine/4/38/30111?bbblinkid=258603414&bbemailid=38496773&bbejrid=->

When you go to church this Sunday and you feel that old temptation to point out what's wrong with the place: The coffee is lukewarm, the lights are too bright, the temperature is wrong, the music is too loud and of course you don't know the songs. Remember in that moment, there's a Ukrainian Church gathering in a subway tunnel to worship while bombs blast overhead. No coffee, no instruments, no leader pushing them to worship, they are sown in real time and in real life worshipping the King above Kings as their world is crumbling down.



PRAY FOR ALL who have died in the service of our country... and remember the military men and women below who are currently serving at home and abroad...

- LT. FATIMA AGUILLAR, US ARMY NATIONAL
- PVT. DERRICK ALLEN, US ARMY
- LANCE CPL. DANIEL ARMENTI, USMC
- LTJG. ANTHONY BALDESSARI, US NAVY
- LTJG. STEPHANIE BALDESSARI, US NAVY
- LANCE CPL. ANTHONY BALDI, USMC
- CHRIS BAMFO, US ARMY
- SPC. GARY BOL, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD
- S.S.G. ALLAN M. BROWN, 82ND AIRBORN DIV. /ARMY
- KATHRYN BUCKEL, USN
- LT. KIM CURENTON, US ARMY
- AIRMAN 1ST CLASS FRANK DeBLASI, JR. USAF
- CAPT. ANDREW SCOTT DEJESSE, US ARMY
- JAMES GAGNON U.S.N.
- LTJG ALEC GRANT, US NAVY
- LT. JASON KAUFFMAN, US ARMY
- JOSEPH LABARBERA, U.S. NAVY
- MAJOR SCOT LAUBACH
- PVT. 2ND CLASS FRANK LEFKOWITZ
- SGT. DANIEL MANOCHIO, US ARMY
- LNC. CPL. DYLAN MORGAN, USMC
- CAPT. CLIFFORD T. O'BRIEN III
- AIRMAN THOMAS PIETRULEWITZ, USAF
- PVT. RICKY PIOTROWSKI, U.S. ARMY
- LTJG. ALLYSON ROESCH, US NAVY
- MICHAEL RUGGIERO, US MC
- LTJG STEPHEN SABATINI, USN
- SENIOR CHIEF AMCS (AW/EW) RYAN J. SCHAAL, US NAVY
- CPL. ROBERT SEMO, US MC
- CAPT. DAVID SHULL
- CAPT. MICHAEL SHULL
- MAJOR ANDREW SALOMON, US ARMY
- SGT. RYAN SOVA
- PETTY OFFICER 1ST CLASS JENNA SPENCER, US NAVY

IF ANYONE HAS A SON OR DAUGHTER OR RELATIVE WHO IS CURRENTLY SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO PLACE THEIR NAME ON THIS SPECIAL PRAYER LIST. **PLEASE BE SURE TO NOTIFY THE PARISH OFFICE WHEN A NAME MAY BE REMOVED.**

VETERANS' CRISIS HOTLINE: 800-273-8255



PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Please come and join us every Wednesday night, from 7:30 to 8:30 PM in the Church Hall for the Patriotic Rosary. The Patriotic Rosary is a very special Rosary for our nation. We pray for our President (Executive Branch), our Senate and House of Representatives (Legislative Branch), and our Supreme Court (Judicial Branch). Our Governors and state legislators. Quotes from the Founding Fathers are said before each decade. We pray for each and every state. We sing our beloved Patriotic Songs. We pray for our US Military (Active and Veterans), our Police, Fire Fighters, Rescue Workers, Border Control, and all who risk their lives to protect us. We also have time for special petitions.

Please come and join us—our country needs you and all of your prayers.

ABOUT ONLINE GIVING

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." - **1Peter 4:10**

Reasons to sign up for Electronic Giving:
No need to write checks or bring cash to church.

Peace-of-mind knowing that the church is receiving your contribution even if you are unable to attend.

- More secure than checks.
- All contributions are recorded for you on your bank statement with date of settlement.
- IT COSTS YOU NOTHING!
Go to www.stgabrielparish.org to sign up!



St. Gabriel's Cemetery & Mausoleum



Established 1878

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of St. Catharine's Mausoleum

stgabrielsmausoleums.com

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Payments can be made over 18 months with no interest charges.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 908-208-0786

ADULT CHOIR.....SATURDAY 11:00AM (CHURCH)
andrewdeprisco@yahoo.com

ADULT VOLLEYBALL.....MONDAY @ 7:30PM

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS.....MONDAY @ 8:00PM (CHURCH HALL)

ALTAR ROSARY MEETING 3RD THURSDAY @7:30PM (CHURCH HALL)
CALL JULIE OLIVER.....732-535-4818

BAPTISM CLASS.....1ST MONDAY @ 7:30 PM PRIOR REGISTRATION NEEDED

BAPTISMS.....1st, 2nd & 3rd SUNDAYS @ 12:30PM

HOSPITAL MINISTRY.....JACK BECKER (732-536-6373)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.....MARK CHERSEVANI

MEET 1st TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 8:00PM.....www.kofc15964.org

KNIT/CROCHET CLUB.....ALAINA MATTI (732-715-3155)

NEWCOMERS "WELCOME COFFEE".....2ND SUNDAY AFTER AM MASSES

NURSING HOME MINISTRY.....J.C. BARREDO (732-858-4031)

R.C.I.A.....JOE VISCI (732-946-4487 X 227)

RESPECT LIFE REPRESENTATIVE.....ELIZABETH NORMANDIA (347-623-9154)

DOMESTIC CHURCH RADIO LIAISON.....KATHY BUDNICK (732-851-6982)

EWTV MEDIA MISSIONARY.....KATHY BUDNICK (732-851-6982)

PATRIOTIC ROSARY.....WEDNESDAY . 7:30pm, CHURCH HALL

ST. VINCENT DePAUL HOTLINE.....(732-946-4487 EXT. 240)

YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.....NICK SCAFF ronick04@icloud.com

YOUTH MINISTRY.....MARIE MASIELLO 732-946-4487 EXT 233

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN ANY OF THE GROUPS LISTED ABOVE, PLEASE COME AT THE APPOINTED TIME, DATE AND PLACE.
OUR PARISH WELCOMES: ALTAR SERVERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS, USHERS, RELIGIOUS ED AND PRE CANA VOLUNTEERS.
INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR THESE ROLES? PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 732-946-4487 EXT. 201

To add a name or to remove a name from this sick list, please call the PARISH office at 732-946-4487 ext. 201

Names will remain on the list for 30 days. After 30 days, the name will be removed unless the request is rescheduled.

The power of prayer!

PRAY FOR HEALING

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Jimmy Carletta
Veronica Chirico
Nicholas Cullen
Sloane Donnelly
Michael Farley
Marilyn Figura
Jacey Giambattista

Paula Hunt
The Lamb Family
Baby Marko Matic
James Miller
Barbara Murray
Max Reuillon
Deborah Shannahan
Marie Yannaco