

*This is my beloved Son.  
Listen to Him.*

MARK 9:7





# *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  
**Lay Trustees:** John Cutillo, Michael Turley  
**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.stgabrielparish.org](http://www.stgabrielparish.org)  
**E-Mail:** [info@stgabrielparish.org](mailto:info@stgabrielparish.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](http://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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.stgabrielparish.org](http://www.stgabrielparish.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, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

5:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

8:00 AM **GILDA BATTAGLIA**  
The Rosa Family  
**DAVIS PAKULA**  
Deacon Rich & Norys Morris

9:30 AM **MARY VISCI**  
Cathy Kelly  
**LOUIS G. RICCARDI JR.**  
The Cucinelli Family  
**WILLIAM & CLAIR FAISTL**  
Til & Kathy Dallavalle

11:00AM **JACK & MARGE DUGAN**  
The Family  
**VINCENT DELLACROCE**  
His Wife & Family  
**MADDALENE GIAMBRONE**  
The Giambrone Family

5:00PM **KATHLEEN O'DEA**  
The Husband  
**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**  
Christopher Hunton

## MASS & SERVICES

Monday, FEBRUARY 26, 2024  
NO SERVICE

Tuesday, FEBRUARY 27, 2024  
10:00 AM  
MASS IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Wednesday, FEBRUARY 28, 2024  
NO SERVICE

Thursday, FEBRUARY 29, 2024  
10:00AM  
MASS IN THE MAIN CHURCH

Friday, MARCH 1, 2024



*In Loving Memory*

DAVID J. KIRBY  
VINCENT MONTELEONE  
MARIANO RAMIREZ

## *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  
FEBRUARY 18, 2024: \$11,546.00

*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*

ARIANNA ROSE DELCORA  
LILY LORELAI GORBEA  
GIANNA LYN PRIORE  
ADRIANA TERESA SCAROLA

## *Banns Of Marriage*

BRIAN CALI  
&  
BRIANNA LICCIARDLLO  
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# REFLECTION

February 25, 2024 –

The Second Sunday of Lent

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

Fathers and Sons. A unique dynamic. Psychologists have a field day explaining it. But even we non psychologists know that it is in contrast with the bond between fathers and daughters. It seems to me to be a straight bold line, as opposed to one softened with curlicues for the girls. At any rate, we somehow know this without ever being taught. We see it played out in the lives of our so-called “nuclear” or immediate families. It is in play in today’s Scripture Readings for the Mass of the Second Sunday in Lent.

Today the Church presents us with one of the most endearing stories of the Old Testament, manifesting the love between father and son, Abraham, and Isaac. Oh, how Abraham the father must have been conflicted at first, but he knew that what God asked of him must be done. Obedience in the raw. But that very obedience so pleased God that a higher form of Divine Father and son took over. Abraham’s reward would be numerous generations of sons and daughters in a chosen nation.

Fast forward through the ensuing centuries and we are allowed to share through Mark’s writing under the Holy Spirit’s guidance the spectacular transfiguration of Jesus of Nazareth to Son of the Most High, as the Archangel had described Him to His Mother Mary some thirty years prior.

Like Abraham on his mountain top, so Jesus on His, love between Father and Son is apparent. But this time there are five witnesses to it. Moses and Elijah, representing respectively the Old Testament Law and Prophecy now bear witness to someone who fulfills both. Peter, James and John, that favored trio of Jesus, look on baffled to see their Master in a new light, literally and figuratively. It will be in the category of something yet to come, also brought about by an incomparable obedience. The nails will be pounded in; the sword will pierce through, and no angel will stop the soldiers of Rome.

All of this puts our obligatory obedience to God in perspective. It provides not only motivation before it but a wonderful reward after it. This is why we choose our Lenten penances: we have not always obeyed God or done so grudgingly. Time for our conversion, don’t you think?

One day a little boy was riding his tricycle around the block, over and over again. Finally, a policeman stopped and asked him why he was going around and around. The boy answered that he was running away from home. Then the policeman asked why he kept going around the block. Then the boy responded, “Because my dad said that I’m not allowed to cross the street.” The point, I trust, is clear obedience will keep you close to those you love.

God love you and have a good Lent.

# SOUP & SCRIPTURE

JOIN US FOR A  
LENTEN STUDY  
ON THE  
EUCHARIST

**When:**  
**Thursdays**  
**Feb.22.29 March**  
**7,14**

**Time:** 10:45AM -  
12:30PM- Soup or  
7:15-9:00PM  
refreshments-  
MEDIA ROOM

**Questions: Please call the**  
**Religious Ed office**  
**732 946-4487x227 or 223 or email:**  
**mmykityshyn@stgabrielsparish.org**



**We will use the video**  
**series "Presence"**  
**followed by discussion**

### WHY IS THE TRANSFIGURATION IMPORTANT?

The transfiguration of Jesus Christ was a powerful demonstration of His divine nature and the manifestation of His glory, which Jesus possessed prior to coming to earth in the human body.

Several aspects of the Transfiguration demonstrate that Christ is Messiah and God:

1. Because God is light, the bright cloud, the shining of Jesus' face like the sun, and the whiteness of His garment all reveal that Jesus is God.
2. The Father bears witness from heaven regarding His Son, saying, "This is My beloved Son" This indicates that this divine glory is Christ's by nature.
3. The Transfiguration proclaims Christ's divine sonship and foreshadows His future glory when He, the Messiah, will bring forth the long-awaited Kingdom of Heaven.
4. Moses represents the law and all those who died before Christ's Incarnation. Elijah represents the prophets, and since he did not experience death, all those who are alive in Christ. Their presence shows that the law and the prophets, the living and the dead, all bear witness to Jesus as the Messiah, the fulfillment of the Old Testament.

The Holy Trinity is manifest with Christ transfigured, the Father speaking from heaven, and the Holy Spirit in the form of a dazzling light surrounding Christ, overshadowing the whole mountain.

- DOMESTIC CHURCH MEDIA 89.3 FM

- PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### WOMEN OF GRACE

This is a daily radio show Monday to Friday at 11:00 AM, hosted by Johnnette Williams, author, speaker and Radio/TV host. Johnnette answers listener's questions on the Catholic faith and offers encouraging words and prayers to those in need. She also features special guests. Each Wednesday, also known as "Wacky Wednesday" her guest is Sue Brinkmann who discusses and answers listener's questions concerning the dangers of the new age movement. Anyone who wants to learn more about their faith will enjoy this program. Check out her web site also: [www.womenofgrace.com](http://www.womenofgrace.com).



KEEPING BABIES CLEAN, DRY, AND HEALTHY IS KEY  
TO THEIR DEVELOPMENT, YET, 1 IN 3 FAMILIES  
STRUGGLE TO PROVIDE CLEAN DIAPERS FOR THEIR  
FAMILIES.

HELP US MAKE A CHANGE

St. Gabe's Youth group will conduct a Diaper Drive to Benefit the Diaper Bank at Child Care Resources of Neptune. From March 2<sup>nd</sup> – March 10<sup>th</sup> we will accept diapers and wipes. Please bring donations (diapers in ALL sizes, don't forget Pull Ups) to Mass (there will be a drop off spot in the front foyer), religious education classes, or Parish Center during normal business hours Monday – Thursday, 9am – 3pm.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!!



**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](mailto: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.*



**ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL BELONG**

# Sensory Friendly

## Sunday Mass


Church of the Nativity

180 Ridge Road  
Fair Haven, NJ 07704

**February 25, 2024 2PM**  
**REFRESHMENTS AND CRAFTS AFTER MASS**

**RSVP: [NORMONHIS@GMAIL.COM](mailto: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](mailto:NORMONHIS@gmail.com)



**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.**



The Children's Choir will rehearse on Monday's from

7:00 to 8:00 pm

We will let you know when rehearsal s will restart.

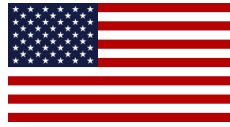
All kids who are interested and all from last year are encouraged to come.



### TO GIVE TO UKRAINE

<https://trentonmonitor.com/Content/News/Latest-News/Article/UPDATE-Where-to-give-to-help-Ukraine/4/38/30111?bblinkid=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, 82<sup>ND</sup> 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**

### 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.stgabrielsparish.org](http://www.stgabrielsparish.org) to sign up!

### 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.

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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 @ 8:00PM 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)  
EWTN 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 re-scheduled.*

# The power of prayer!

PRAY FOR HEALING

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

Paula Hunt  
The Lamb Family  
Baby Marko Matic  
James Miller  
Nancy Williams  
Marie Yannaco