

A person is kneeling in prayer, their hands clasped in front of their face. They are silhouetted against a bright, hazy sky with soft clouds. The overall tone is contemplative and spiritual.

LORD, TEACH US TO

PRAY

**Luke 11:1-13**



# *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:** Richard Morris, Richard Scotti  
and Gene Somma  
**Pastoral Administrator:** Donna Fortini  
**Business Administrator:** Richard Holton  
**Parish Director:** Andrew Greenberg  
**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. **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, JULY 26, 2025

5:00 PM FOR THE LIVING AND DECEASED  
MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

8:00 AM ANNA PELECHATA  
Roman Pelechata

9:30 AM TRACY DUSSMAN  
Anthony & Meredith Aiello  
THOMAS O'CONNELL  
Aunt Barbara & Denise Grady

11:00AM YVONNE MARIE HIRSCH  
The Basile Family  
CARMEN BARBATO  
The Rodriguez Family

5:00PM THE LIVING AND DECEASED  
MEMBERS OF ST. GABRIEL'S

## HISTORIC CHURCH

Monday, JULY 28, 2025  
NO SERVICE

Tuesday, JULY 29, 2025  
MARK MILLER (HEALING MASS)  
R/B: His Grandparents

Wednesday, JULY 30, 2025  
NO SERVICE

Thursday, JULY 31, 2025  
10:00AM DEACON DON LYDICK  
R/B: The Pellegrino Family

Friday, August 1, 2025  
10:00AM NO SERVICE

## *World Day For Grandparents And the Elderly*

### **Wisdom in Their Smiles**

On quiet paths and stories deep,  
They hold the dreams we learn to keep.  
With hands that shaped both time and land,  
They guide us still with gentle hand.  
Their laughter echoes through the years,  
A balm for joy, a cure for tears.  
Today we honor, love, and say—  
You're treasured more with each new day.

## *Weekly Collection*

WEEKLY AND ONLINE COLLECTION FOR  
JULY 20, 2025: \$12,183.00  
*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*

FRANCO ANGELO PAGLIO

LUCIA MARIE SHELDON

# REFLECTION

July 27, 2025      Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Times

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

Nouns and verbs are the playthings of grammarians. You might better call them “tools” for their teaching. The word “bargain” can be both noun and verb. It is also a theme running through our First and Third Reading.

As a noun, “bargain” can be that bright shiny object in the Home Depot, or Macy’s or Amazon.com catalog that suddenly appears with a lower price tag than a former one you saw. “Bargain” as a verb is that clever, if not sometime deceptive type of plea process whereby one person wants a different decision from another person and uses an appealing item of enticement to get it.

In our First Reading from the Book of Genesis, Moses is depicted as the master bargainer with no less a personage than God Himself.

He keeps lowering the number of good men needed to stay the Lord’s hand from destroying Sodom. A patient, lenient God eventually “gives in.”

I hardly believe the ancient author of the book is recommending that method of prayer to God. Rather let it be his intent to underscore the appeal that good people have to the God who made us. They atone, as it were, for the rest of us, who so often squander our use of free will.

The Gospel gives us The Lord’s Prayer, as its formal title implies. The prayer brings forth the idea of “bargain” as both noun and verb. As a noun, we could certainly agree to what a “bargain” this prayer is! It gives us the perfect pattern for all our other prayers, especially private ones. We should then begin with adoration and praise of God and only then add in our petition(s). Do you see the rudeness in jumping right in to asking for what we want from the Lord?

“Bargain” as a verb is implied in the Lord’s Prayer. It comes with our plea to be forgiven. We offer God our promise to forgive those who have “trespassed against us” before we ever ask for our own forgiveness.

Humility marks this perfect prayer. It has the right words for any occasion.

Speaking of the right words, we have a comment on that from our American author Mark Twain, the man who gave us Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. He once said: “The difference between the right word and the almost-right word is the difference between lightning and the lightning bug.”

God love you and give you His peace

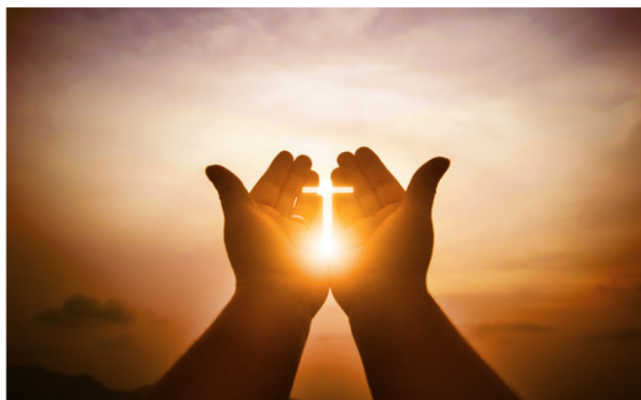


## JOIN OCIA TO:

**Be baptized Catholic  
Receive First Communion - Eucharist  
Receive the Sacrament of Confirmation  
Learn more about Catholicism**

**Sessions begin mid September  
St. Gabriel's Church - Media Room**

**For more information, contact Mary Mykityshyn  
732-946-4487 x227  
[mmykityshyn@stgabrielsparish.org](mailto:mmykityshyn@stgabrielsparish.org)**







**New School Year Send Off Mass~**  
**Bring your backpack for a blessing!**  
**For all those who have a new start, new**  
**beginnings ~ Preschool through college.**



**During all Masses -**

**Saturday, August 2 & Sunday August 3-**  
**All Masses-5:00, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 & 5:00**

**Sponsored by Youth Ministry and Religious Ed.**



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**JULY 25 — AUG 10**

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BY ROBERT HARLING  
DIRECTED BY NATE PATEN  
PRODUCED BY ANDREW DEPRISCO

## **BROADWAY'S BEST IN AN UNFORGETTABLE NEW REVIVAL!**

Before the iconic 1989 film starring Dolly Parton and Julia Roberts broke box office records, Louisiana salon owner Truvy first set up shop on the stage in Robert Harling's masterpiece play. The colorful cast of regulars and employees that frequent her establishment include a mother-daughter duo planning a wedding, a woman who's "been in a bad mood for 40 years," and a mysterious newcomer. **Through laughter, tears, and a thick fog of hairspray, these women face trials and triumphs armed with their greatest strength: each other.**

Starring: Tony® nominee **Charlotte d'Amboise** (*A Chorus Line*), **Kathy Fitzgerald** (*9 to 5*), Tony® nominee **Nancy Opel** (*Urinetown*), **Amy Spanger** (*Kiss Me Kate*), **Eve O'Brien**, and **Sarah Suzuki**.

## **BOOK A GROUP & SAVE!**

Groups of 10 or more  
**save 20% on tickets**, with  
no added fees!

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**Lauryn Herchakowski**  
[lauryn@axelrodartscenter.org](mailto:lauryn@axelrodartscenter.org)  
or call (732) 757-1185



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D'AMBOISE**  
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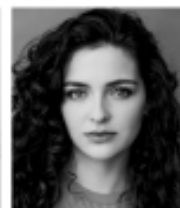
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Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House

84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501

609-877-0509 or [FHOP@verizon.net](mailto:FHOP@verizon.net)

Please check [www.FHOP.org](http://www.FHOP.org) for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings!

All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.



**FRANCIS HOUSE OFFERS 4 WAYS TO MAKE THE FULL “THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES.”** SEE [www.FHOP.org/the-spiritual-exercises](http://www.FHOP.org/the-spiritual-exercises)

### PRAY & PLAY WITH “THE POTTER’S WHEEL”

Tuesday, August 5 9:30 AM - Noon

Join us for a time of contemplation with the scripture passage of “The Potter’s Wheel.” We will use the story for prayer and reflection as well as some time for real play with clay. Donation: \$25, includes clay.

### OUR LADY, UNDOER OF KNOTS

Tuesday, August 12 9:30 AM - Noon

Blessed Mother is Our Lady, Undoer of Knots! We will spend this morning reflecting on the grace of being loved so deeply and asking for help in an “undoing of the knots” of our lives. Time will be given for personal reflection and prayer. Donation: \$25

### IN-PERSON ONLY PERSONAL RETREAT DAY

Wednesday, August 27 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring a bag lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

### SPIRITUAL DIRECTION INTERN PROGRAM

Francis House offers an intense 3-year Intern Formation Program for those desiring to become Spiritual Directors. **This program has four critical aspects:** The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola; Ignatian Discernment; Study of the Spiritual Masters and Practicum in the Art and Discipline of giving Spiritual Direction. Time commitment: 2 Thursdays each month, 3 weekends a year, and a 5-day directed retreat.

Please contact Sister Marcy (609) 877-0509 before August 1 for further information. Begins in September.



### 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.**

### 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.*



## *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!!

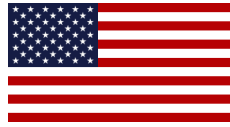
Respect Life Holy Hour

Thursday, all day.

and on First Fridays

Knights of Columbus/Respect Life

Would like to welcome you to spend some time  
with Jesus



**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> AIRBORNE DIV. /ARMY  
KATHRYN BUCKEL, USN  
LT. KIM CURENTON, US ARMY  
AIRMAN 1ST CLASS FRANK DeBLASI, JR. USAF  
CAPT. ANDREW SCOTT DEJESSE, US ARMY  
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SGT. DANIEL MANOCHIO, US ARMY  
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CAPT. CLIFFORD T. O'BRIEN III  
AIRMAN THOMAS PIETRULEWITZ, USAF  
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LTJG. ALLYSON ROESCH, US NAVY  
MICHAEL RUGGIERO, US MC  
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SENIOR CHIEF AMCS (AW/EW) RYAN J. SCHAAL, US NAVY  
CPL. ROBERT SEMO, US MC  
CAPT. DAVID SHULL  
CAPT. MICHAEL SHULL  
LTC 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 CON-  
TACT 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**

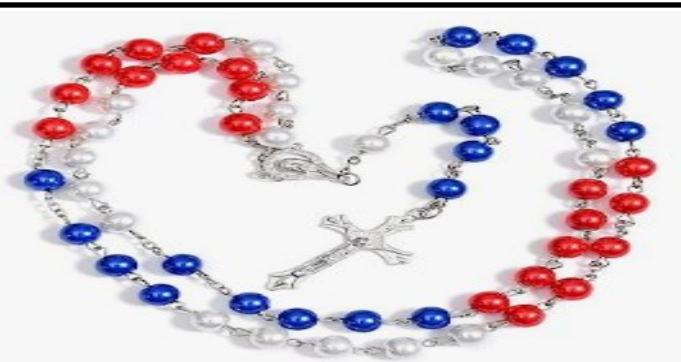
### ***ABOUT ONLINE GIVING***

"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 con-  
tribution even if you are unable to attend.

- More secure than checks.
- All contributions are recorded for you on your bank state-  
ment with date of settlement.
- IT COSTS YOU NOTHING!  
Go to [www.stgabrielparish.org](http://www.stgabrielparish.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.

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your prayers.

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andrewdeprisco@yahoo.com  
ADULT VOLLEYBALL.....MONDAY @ 7:30PM  
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS.....MONDAY @ 8:00PM (CHURCH HALL-  
ALTAR ROSARY.....MEETING 3RD THURSDAY @ 7:30PM (CHURCH HALL)  
stgabrielsaltarrosary@gmail.com  
BAPTISM CLASS.....1ST MONDAY @ 7:30 PM PRIOR REGISTRATION NEEDED  
BAPTISMS.....1st, 2nd & 3rd SUNDAYS @ 12:15PM  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.....RoccoDiTaranto  
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)  
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RESPECT LIFE REPRESENTATIVE.....ELIZABETH NORMANDIA (347-623-9154)  
DOMESTIC CHURCH RADIO LIAISON.....  
EWTN MEDIA MISSIONARY.....ANN COOKE  
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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Baby Anthony  
Baby Benjamin  
Baby Dawson Henry  
Baby Leo  
Baby Salvatore  
Richard Lee Bilon  
Jimmy Carletta  
P.J. Gill-Gorenc

Edward & Linda Gurski  
Marie Hart  
Paula Hunt  
The Lamb Family  
Ashlee McCormack  
Connie Pellegrino  
Tony & Nicki Ranieri  
Mia Willis