

The background of the poster is a textured purple and pink gradient. On the left, the word '1st' is written in a large, white, stylized font. In the center, the words 'Sunday' and 'OF ADVENT' are written in a dark purple, elegant script and serif font respectively. Below this, the website address 'www.stgabrielhaverhill.org' is printed in a smaller, dark purple serif font. A quote from the parish is centered below the website. On the right side, there is an illustration of a lit purple candle with a yellow flame. At the bottom of the poster, there is a detailed illustration of winter foliage, including pine needles, red berries, and pinecones.

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OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday/Wednesday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Thursday/Friday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 PM SJ (English) & 7:00 PM SJ (Vietnamese)

Sunday

8:30 AM SJ (English) & 10:00 AM SJB (English)

11:30 AM SJ (Spanish) & 11:45 AM SJB (Brazilian)

Daily Masses

Monday - Wednesday - Friday

9:00 AM SJB (English)

Wednesday & Friday 7:00 PM SJ (Spanish)

Tuesday - Thursday - Saturday

9:00 AM SJ (English)

Thursday - 7:30 PM SJB (Brazilian)

Holy Day Masses as Announced

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BAPTISM AT ST. JAMES CHURCH:

English - 4th Sunday at 1:00 PM, on the following months: February, April, June, August, October, and December.

Spanish - 3rd Sunday of every month at the 11:30 AM Spanish Mass.

BAPTISM AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH:

English - 2nd Sunday at 10:00 AM Mass on the following months: February, April, June, August, October, and December. *Brazilian* - 4th Sunday of every month at the 11:45 AM Brazilian Mass.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION: Both Parents and Godparents must attend. *English:* 2nd Sunday of the month on the following months: March, June, September, and December at 1:00 PM, at St. James Lower Church. *Spanish:* 1st Saturday of every month at 1:00 PM, at St. James Lower Church. *Brazilian:* 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM, at St. John the Baptist Lower Church. Parents are asked to pre-register at the Parish Office/Rectory one month before baptism instruction takes place. Please bring the child's birth certificate and a Confirmation certificate for at least one of the Godparents.

MARRIAGE: Arrangement with a priest of the Parish at least six months prior to the wedding.

RECONCILIATION: *English:* Saturdays, 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM, at St. James Lower Church or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office if you have a family member or friend who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity. We will provide pastoral visits with administration of the Sacraments.



WELCOME
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If you are looking for a spiritual home, please introduce yourself to any member of the parish staff or fill out a registration form available at the entrance of the church. If you would like more information about the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office at (978) 372-8537.



Readings for today's Mass begin on Page 31 of the Breaking Bread Missal 2026. Proper parts of the Mass begin on Page 3.

First Sunday of Advent

The Hope Candle (Prophet's Candle)

Dear Heavenly Father, as we gather in the soft glow of this first Advent candle, we embrace the hope it represents. Just as the prophets of old foretold the coming of your Son, we too await His arrival with eager hearts. May the light of this candle remind us that in the midst of darkness, your promise shines bright. Fill our hearts with hope and anticipation as we prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ.

Amen.



Happy

DECEMBER

AS WE CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS THIS MONTH, MAY YOU EXPERIENCE THE GIFT OF GOD'S LOVE, FILLING YOUR HEART WITH JOY AND PEACE.



Saturday, November 29, 2025

9:00 AM (SJ) **Janine Mesturgrates**, Birthday Remembrance
4:00 PM (SJ) **Rev. John L. Sullivan**, Remembrance
7:00 PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

Sunday, November 30, 2025

8:30 AM (SJ) **Special Remembrance for the St. Gabriel Parish Book of Remembrances**
10:00 AM (SJB) **Special Remembrance for the St. Gabriel Parish Book of Remembrances**
11:30 AM (SJ) **Jorge Mendoza**, Remembrance, Requested by Family
Milagros Morales, Remembrance, Requested by Family
Arturo Tomas Velazquez, Jovita Cantu Cruz, Fernando Velazquez, Venustiano Velazquez, Francisco Velazquez, Luis Chavez, Maria De La Luz, Jose Juan Nieto, Remembrance
Gelenni Garcia, Birthday
Elianny Abreu, Birthday
11:45 AM (SJB) **Brazilian Mass**

Monday, December 1, 2025

9:00 AM (SJB) **Parishioners of St. Gabriel Parish**
7:00 PM (SJ) **Adoration (Spanish)**

Tuesday, December 2, 2025

9:00 AM (SJ) **For the Poor Souls in Purgatory**, Requested by Johnston Family
9:30 AM (SJ) **Adoration**

Wednesday, December 3, 2025

9:00 AM (SJB) **Gwendolyn Mohay**, Birthday Remembrance, Requested by Family
7:00 PM (SJ) **Mass (Spanish)**

Thursday, December 4, 2025

9:00 AM (SJ) **Henry Donabedian**, Remembrance, Requested by Johnston Family
9:30 AM (SJ) **Adoration**
7:30 PM (SJB) **Mass (Brazilian)**

Friday, December 5, 2025

9:00 AM (SJB) **Francis X. Salter**, Remembrance
7:00 PM (SJ) **Mass (Spanish)**

Saturday, December 6, 2025

9:00 AM (SJ) **April Arrington**, Health, Requested by Family
4:00 PM (SJ) **Miguel, Maria, & Nicholas Medeiros**, Remembrance, Requested by Family
7:00 PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

Sunday, December 7, 2025

8:30 AM (SJ) **Mary E. Linehan, Mother**, Birthday Remembrance, Requested by Family
10:00 AM (SJB) **Rev. Lawrence J. Rondeau**, Remembrance
11:30 AM (SJ) **Mirelsa Reynoso**, 1-Month Anniversary Remembrance
Gabriel Escolastico, Sarah Reynoso, Justina Brito, Maurilio Saenz, Victor Osario, Birthdays (Living)
11:45 AM (SJB) **Brazilian Mass**

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 2025 - For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
DECEMBER 8 | HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Monday, December 8, 2025
9:00 AM Mass - St. John the Baptist Church



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PRAY FOR US
DECEMBER 12

Masses will be celebrated on Friday, December 12th as follows:

9:00 AM at St. John the Baptist Church (English)
7:00 PM at St. James Church (Spanish)



*"...you must be ready,
for the Son of Man is
coming at an hour you
do not expect."*
MATTHEW 24:44

WEEKLY OFFERING

11/08 - 11/09

Weekly Collection: \$4,216.00
Second Collection: (Special Monthly) \$2,393.11
Online Giving: \$ 356.00

GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you very much for your generous contribution to the Grand Annual Appeal 2025. Current total to date for St. Gabriel Parish is **\$35,547**. This contribution is divided into 2 times: October & February. God Bless you all.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

11/29 - 11/30 - Maintenance Fund
12/06 - 12/07 - Capital Improvements



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament Altar at **St. John the Baptist Church** for:

William Zarbolas
Birthday Remembrance



Ozzie's Kids

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HOLIDAY GIVING 2025

This year, both our parish churches will be helping **Ozzie's Kids**. They are in need of children's toys and clothes for ages infant to 12 years old. Please leave the unwrapped gifts in the large decorated boxes in the churches beginning November 22nd. The deadline for donations is December 14th.

Thank you for your continued generosity in helping the less fortunate in our community.

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SNOWSTORM POLICY
& YOUR SAFETY FIRST

During a heavy snow storm and if Haverhill Public Schools are cancelled, daily 9:00 AM Mass and parish activities will be also be cancelled for that day. Please use your own judgement and check our website for updates. For weekend Masses, please see announcements on the TV news stations and our website. Thank you.



2025-2026 Faith Formation Program

Our Faith Formation Program schedule is listed below. Classes will be meeting on Sunday's, twice per month. If you have any questions, please email **Thanh Nguyen** at: stjamesandjohn-faith@gmail.com

December 7th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
December 14th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
January 11th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
January 25th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
February 8th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
February 22nd Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
March 8th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
March 22nd Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
April 12th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
April 26th Grades K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School

St James School, 415 Primrose Street, Haverhill MA



Liz Murphy Open Hand Pantry

We are currently in need of the following items:

- Cereal
- Microwave Popcorn
- Coffee
- Pop-Tarts
- Crackers
- Shelf Milk

The pantry staff and the clients thank you very much for your continued support and generosity.

Symbols of the Advent Wreath

Circular shape

Reminds us that God has no beginning and no end, He is one and eternal.

Pink candle

Lit on Gaudete Sunday, it symbolizes joy as we approach the birth of Jesus.

4 candles

The 4 Sundays of Advent. When we light each one we are reminded that the light of Jesus is coming into the world.

Green branches

Green symbolizes hope and life. It reminds us that Christ lives among us.



Brazilian Community St. John the Baptist Church

Weekly Schedule

Monday	Men's Rosary	7:30 PM
	Mothers Who Pray for Their Children	7:30 PM
Thursday	Confession	7:00 PM
	Mass	7:30 PM
	Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Saturday	Catechism (school year)	5:00 PM
Sunday	Mass	11:45 AM

"ADVENT IS THE TIME WE ARE GIVEN TO WELCOME THE LORD WHO COMES TO ENCOUNTER US, AND ALSO TO VERIFY OUR LONGING FOR GOD, TO LOOK FORWARD AND PREPARE OURSELVES FOR CHRIST'S RETURN."

POPE FRANCIS



the PRAYER Connection

The St. Gabriel the Archangel Prayer Connection Network has the following prayer requests:

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| <p>April A. - breast cancer</p> <p>Hong N. - health</p> <p>Alicia - needs a job</p> <p>Carol - balance issues</p> <p>Tommy - (young child) tumor</p> <p>Marion - special intention</p> <p>Peter - new job</p> <p>Jack - new job in Greece</p> <p>Safety of law enforcement and first responders</p> <p>Lisa B. - recovery after heart surgery</p> <p>Taylor - lupus</p> <p>For those who are being tempted to suicide</p> <p>That peace agreement in Middle East holds</p> <p>For those who have requested prayers but do not want their names posted</p> <p>Erin - donating kidney to her sister, that procedure is successful</p> <p>James - cancer</p> <p>Officer Katelyn Tully - repose of her soul</p> <p>Pregnancy Care Centers - perseverance under persecution</p> | <p>Lisa - lung cancer</p> <p>Christine - drug addiction</p> <p>Jimmy M. - cancer</p> <p>Linda M. - breast cancer</p> <p>Christians who are being persecuted for their faith</p> <p>Nicole T. for miracle cure of inoperable growing brain tumor</p> <p>For those who are addicted to pornography</p> <p>For modesty in dress and behavior for both men & women</p> <p>Those suffering with PTSD</p> <p>For parents of children with disabilities</p> <p>For an increase in the utilization of confession</p> <p>For safe return of abducted Ukrainian children</p> <p>Kyla S. - suitable housing</p> <p>Evelyn (14) for eyesight miracle</p> <p>Victims of abuse</p> <p>For those suffering with anxiety/mental illness.</p> <p>Good, holy, faithful vocations</p> <p>Peace in Ukraine</p> <p>Katie E. - stage four cancer</p> |
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To request prayers, or to sign up to be on the network prayer list, please e-mail: stgabrielprayers@gmail.com. Please be aware that, in order to be published in the bulletin, we must receive prayer requests by the Tuesday 1-1/2 weeks prior to the bulletin weekend. If you do not have e-mail, you may leave a message @ (978) 372-3824. Be sure to leave your phone number! Please let us know if when prayer intention should be updated or deleted. Intentions will be listed for approximately one month unless we are told otherwise. Bless you! Gerry & Ann Marie Johnston



2025-2026 Programa de Formación de fe

El horario de nuestro Programa de Formación en la Fe se detalla a continuación. Las clases se impartirán los domingos, dos veces al mes. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor, escriba a Thanh Nguyen a: stjamesandjohnfaith@gmail.com.

Diciembre 7th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Diciembre 14th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Enero 11th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Enero 25th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Febrero 8th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Febrero 22nd Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Marzo 8th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Marzo 22nd Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Abril 12th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School
Abril 26th Grados K-8	9:45AM - 11:00AM	St. James School

Escuela St. James, 415 Primrose Street, Haverhill, MA



Las misas se celebrarán el viernes 12 de Diciembre de la siguiente manera:

9:00 AM en la iglesia de San Juan Bautista (inglés)

7:00 PM en la iglesia de Santiago (español)



Bautismo en Espanol:

Catequesis pre-bautismal: El primer Domingo del mes a las 1:00 PM en la Iglesia de abajo, obligatorio para los padres y padrinos. La registracion se debe hacer un mes antes en la Rectoria, con el acta de nacimiento.

Bautismo en Espanol: El tercer domingo de cada mes a las 11:30 AM Misa.

Bodas: Se debe consultar con el sacerdote o del diacono con 6 meses de anticipacion.

Confesiones: Sabados: 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM en St. James en la Iglesia de abajo o llamar a la Rectoria por una cita.

Sacramento de los Enfermos: Si tienes un miembro de familia o amigo que no pueda asistir a la Iglesia por edad o enfermedad, por favor llamar a la oficina para que se le provee de visitas con la administracion de los sacramentos.

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Durante una fuerte nevada, si se suspenden las clases en las Escuelas Públicas de Haverhill, la misa diaria de las 9:00 a. m. y las actividades parroquiales también se cancelarán ese día. Le rogamos que actúe con prudencia y consulte nuestro sitio web para obtener información actualizada. Para las misas del fin de semana, consulte los anuncios en los noticieros de televisión y en nuestro sitio web. Gracias.

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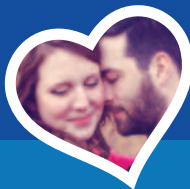
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