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Thursdays: 7:00 PM - 7:25 PM

OFFICE HOURS:

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

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

Closed Monday, Weekends, and Holidays

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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BAPTISMS AT ST. JAMES CHURCH

English - 4th Sunday at 1:00 PM, on the following months: January, March, May, July, September, and November.

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

BAPTISMS AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

English - 2nd Sunday at 10:00 AM Mass on the following January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Brazilian - 4th Sunday of every month after the 11:45 AM Brazilian Mass.

2026 BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION: Both Parents and Godparents must attend. *English:* 1st 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: 1/3, 3/7, 5/2, 7/11, 9/5, 11/7 from 3:30 PM- 5:00 PM at St. John the Baptist, lower church. Parents are asked to pre-register at the Parish Office/Rectorry 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.



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 42 of the Breaking Bread Missal 2026. Proper parts of the Mass begin on Page 3.



The fourth candle of Advent represents Love, the ultimate love of God that He might send His only Son for us. Called the "Angel's Candle," the fourth candle of Advent is lit the Sunday before Christmas, and it is the color purple, leading us to eagerly await the new Kingdom of God on earth.

"And in the end, everything else will turn out to be unimportant and inessential, except for this: Father, Child, and Love." – St. (Pope) John Paul II



Saturday, December 20, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJ) **Timothy H. Miller**, Remembrance, Requested by Julie
 4:00 PM (SJ) **Dorothy Perreault**, 55-Year Anniversary Remembrance, Requested by Family
 7:00 PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

Sunday, December 21, 2025

- 8:30 AM (SJ) **Monica Gardella & Timothy Michitson**, Christmas Remembrance, Requested by Family
 10:00 AM (SJB) **John C. & Kathleen J. Conner**, Remembrance, Requested by Family
 11:30 AM (SJ) **Jose Antonio Felix**, 8-Month Anniversary Remembrance
 11:45 AM (SJB) **Brazilian Mass**

Monday, December 22, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJB) **Deceased Members of the Arthur A. Joubert Family**
 7:00 PM (SJ) **Adoration (Spanish)**

Tuesday, December 23, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJ) **Parishioners of St. Gabriel Parish**
 9:30 AM (SJ) **Adoration**

Wednesday, December 24, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJB) **Luke Mohay**, Birthday Remembrance, Requested by Family
 4:00 PM (SJ) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed
 6:00 PM (SJ) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed
 7:00 PM (SJB) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed

Thursday, December 25, 2025

- 8:30 AM (SJ) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed
 10:00 AM (SJB) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed
 11:30 AM (SJ) Flower Offerings for the Dearly Departed

Friday, December 26, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJB) **Deceased Members of the Patrick F. Linehan Family**
 7:00 PM (SJ) **Mass (Spanish)**

Saturday, December 27, 2025

- 9:00 AM (SJ) **Timothy H. Miller**, Remembrance, Requested by Julie
 4:00 PM (SJ) **Janet Duff**, 6-Month Anniversary Remembrance, Requested by Devaney Family
 7:00 PM (SJ) **Vietnamese Mass**

Sunday, December 28, 2025

- 8:30 AM (SJ) **Edmund & Catherine Daher**, Remembrance
 10:00 AM (SJB) **Raymond, Eva, Stephen, & Cathy Huberdeau**, Remembrance
 11:30 AM (SJ) **Arturo Tomas Velazquez, Jovita Cantu Cruz, Fernando Velazquez, Venustiano Velazquez, Francisco Velazquez, Luis Chavez, Maria De La Luz Chavez, Jose Juan Nieto Chavez**, Remembrance
Bienvenida Pena & Anita Rosario, Remembrance, Requested by Sister
 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.



May all the blessings of this holy season be with you and your loved ones as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Merry Christmas from
Fr. Hoang Le
and the Parish Staff

Christmas Mass Schedule**Christmas Eve****Wednesday, December 24th**

4:00 PM St. James Church (English)
6:00 PM St. James Church (Vietnamese)
7:00 PM St. John the Baptist Church
(Brazilian)

Christmas Day**Thursday, December 25th**

8:30 AM St. James Church (English)
10:00 AM St. John the Baptist Church
(English)
11:30 AM St. James Church (Spanish)

New Year's Eve**Wednesday, December 31st**

8:00 PM St. John the Baptist Church
(Brazilian)

New Year's Day**Thursday, January 1, 2026**

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation

9:00 AM St. James Church (English)

WEEKLY OFFERING

11/29 - 11/30

Weekly Collection: \$4,154.00
Second Collection: (Maintenance Fund) \$2,502.00
Online Giving: \$ 197.00

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

12/20 - 12/21 - Energy and Utilities
12/27 - 12/28 - Maintenance



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

**Deceased Members of the
Mohay Family**



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Christmas Clergy Benefit Trust Collection

The December 24th & 25th collection is for the Clergy Benefit Trust. Each Christmas we have the opportunity to support our priests through the Christmas collection that benefits the Clergy Health and Retirement Trust, with the goal of ensuring the health and well-being of our priests in good standing. The Trust offers preventive health and wellness programs, offers one-on-one support and advocacy to priests with health concerns, and operates Regina Cleri, a state-of-the-art facility where senior priests live in community. Please support our priests, who through their ministry, create stronger communities for all, by placing your envelope in the offering or mailing your check to the Parish office (check made to Archdiocese of Boston-Clergy Trust). This special collection is a primary source of funding to care for our retired priests. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you!

INCLEMENT
WEATHER
INFORMATION

**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

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



The Prayer Connection

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

Paul - special intention	Peace in the Middle East
Conor D. - special intention	For those who have requested prayers but do not want their names posted
Lorraine G. - cancer	Erin - in thanksgiving for donating her kidney to her sister
Tom H. - severe health issues	James - cancer
For the end of abortion	Pregnancy Care Centers - perseverance under persecution
Joan Fantini - sweet repose of soul	Katie E. - stage four cancer
For the safe return of kidnapped children & school staff from Nigeria	Lisa - lung cancer
For those who are incarcerated	Christine L. - sweet repose of her soul
Lenore & Bill Buehner, health & emotional wellbeing	Christians who are being persecuted for their faith
Richard H. - health	Nicole T. for miracle cure of inoperable growing brain tumor
Edwin Laverty - stomach cancer	For those who are addicted to pornography
Derek - special intention	For modesty in dress & behavior for both men & women
April A. - breast cancer	Those suffering with PTSD
Jimmy M. - cancer	For parents of children with disabilities
Linda M. - breast cancer	For an increase in the utilization of confession
Hong N. - health	For safe return of abducted Ukrainian children & Peace in Ukraine
Alicia - needs a job	Kyla S. - suitable housing
Carol - balance issues	Evelyn (14) for eyesight miracle.
Tommy - (young child) tumor	Victims of abuse
Marion - special intention	For those suffering with anxiety/mental illness.
Peter C. - new job	
Jack - new job in Greece	
Safety of law enforcement & first responders	
Taylor - lupus	
For those who are being tempted to suicide	
Good, holy, faithful vocations	

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



**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



Liz Murphy Open Hand Pantry

We are currently in need of the following items:

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

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



Please remember the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** donation box and help the less fortunate in our parish.
Thank you.

A Christmas Prayer

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for the gift
of Your Son, Jesus,
whose birth into our world
we celebrate today.
Fill our hearts with the peace
that only He provides.
Let us share that peace with others
and help build Your kingdom
here on earth.
Amen.





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.

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



Horario de Misas de Navidad

Nochebuena, Miércoles 24 de Diciembre

4:00 PM St. James Church (English)
6:00 PM St. James Church (Vietnamese)
7:00 PM St. John the Baptist Church (Brazilian)

Día de Navidad, Jueves 25 de Diciembre

8:30 AM St. James Church (English)
10:00 AM St. John the Baptist Church (English)
11:30 AM St. James Church (Spanish)

Nochevieja

Miércoles 31 de Diciembre de
8:00 PM St. John the Baptist Church (Brazilian)

Día de Año Nuevo

Solemnidad de María

Santa Madre de Dios Día de precepto
Jueves 1 de Enero de 2026
9:00 AM St. James Church (English)



La cuarta vela del Adviento representa el Amor, el amor supremo de Dios para enviar a Su único Hijo por nosotros. Llamada “Vela del Ángel”, la cuarta vela del Adviento se enciende el domingo antes de Navidad, y es de color violeta, lo que nos lleva a esperar ansiosamente el nuevo Reino de Dios en la tierra.

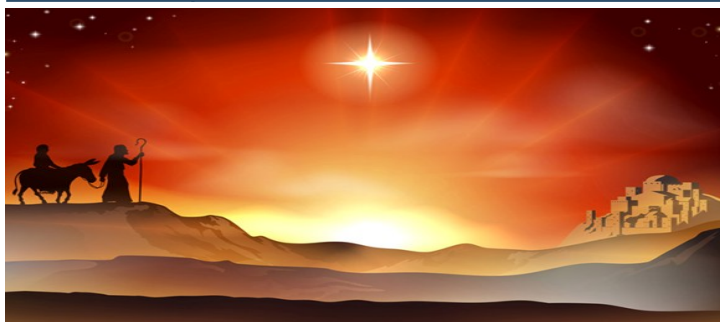
“Y al final, todo lo demás resultará sin importancia y sin no esencial, excepto esto:

Padre, Niño y Amor”. – San (Papa) Juan Pablo II



Que todas las bendiciones de esta santa época los acompañen a ustedes y a sus seres queridos mientras celebramos el nacimiento de nuestro Salvador.

Feliz Navidad de parte del Padre Hoang Le y del Personal de la Parroquia.



POLÍTICA DE TORMENTA DE NIEVE SU SEGURIDAD ES LO PRIMERO

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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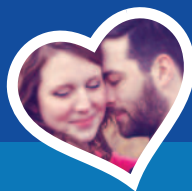
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