

August 16, 2020
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Thus says the Lord: Observe what is right, do what is just, for my salvation is about to come, my justice is about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, ministering to him, loving the name of the Lord and becoming his servants - them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer... for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all people.”

Let’s reread this passage and see his is what is happening in our church today.

The growth of the church in the United States has been built on two pillars – the Holy Spirit and immigration.

How many people, like immigrants of old, have come to our parishes, bringing their faith, customs and traditions? Do we welcome them? Do we go out to meet them?

Pope Francis tells us the church grows by attraction, not by proselytizing. As missionary disciples he calls us to evangelize, to welcome all as part of our faith communities.

How have we made someone new and not so new feel welcome in our Church today!

[The Canaanite Women asks Jesus to cure her daughter](#)



Mass Intentions for the Week

Daily Masses 8:30 AM Monday –Thursday are in

4:30PM on Saturday and 10:00 AM on Sunday Masses

4:30 PM SATURDAY, August 15

Elizabeth White RB Evelyn Marcucci

10:00 AM SUNDAY, August 16

Frank and Kevin Henry RB Theresa Henry

8:30 AM Monday, August 17

Jim McCann. RB Liz Gallagher

8:30 AM Tuesday, August 18

For All the Sick in the Parish RB St. Gabriel Parish

8:30 AM Wednesday, August 19

Michael Moriello RB Michael Moriello Family

8:30 AM Thursday August 20

Domenic Raia, Sr. RB Madeline Amoriello

8:30 AM FRIDAY, August 21

No Mass

4:30 PM SATURDAY, August 22

Rosemarie Bradley RB Anna Martin

10:00 AM SUNDAY, August 23

Michael Moriello RB The Moriello Family



Pray for those on the Sick List

Grace Curran, April DeMatto. Tony Schriver, Joel Rivera, Cathy O’Brien, Catherine Krecko, Nicole Palandro, Claire Williamson, Donna Tafuri, Christopher Browne, Scott McDowell, Mary Kennedy, Lisa Ruggino, Steven Porter, Ed McCarron, Mary & Ann Bell, Tracy Cotter, Carol Mills, Grace Griffiths, Susan Cullen, Colleen Riddell, Greg Barrett, Brian Berry, Margaret Doherty, Nan Mulligan Janet Valania Pat Stabb, Michaela Healy, Andrew Bennett, Dolores Masi, Pat Rafferty and for those suffering from addiction, especially young adults, those suffering from the Coronavirus.

Please send us names that you would like to add to the Prayer List



**The app is also available on
www.stgabes.org**

**The Rectory is open Monday – Thursday
9:00AM-3:00PM. If you would ever like to drop
your envelopes in the mailbox it is located on
the left side of the rectory door.
God bless you and your families.**

**IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING YOUR ENVELOPES,
PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY**

**Thank you for your
continued support of
our parish family and God bless!**



Parish Religious Education Program (PREP)

Our Parish Religious Education Program will begin for Grades 1-7 on **Sunday, September 20, 2020 from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM in the Parish Rectory**. Since we have approximately 30 children in the program, each of our classes is very small. We have moved our program from Tuesdays in the school to Sunday at the request of some parents, and this will assist the children in attending the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass. Parents of children already in the program in the past will receive a letter next week in the mail with additional information.

Those who wish to enroll for the first time are asked to call Sister Rose, the Director of the Program, at 215-463-4060 or e-mail at sr.rose@stgabes.org



Pictured: Father Carl, teacher Barbara Gillespie and some students.

Do you want to become Catholic or know someone else who does? Do you still need the Sacrament of Confirmation or know someone else who does? Do you want to grow deeper in your faith?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, the RCIA program could be for you! RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Classes begin in September. For any questions and additional information, please call Sister Rose

at 215-463-4060 or e-mail at sr.rose@stgabes.org Thank you!

Statement of Morgan Ogoe who joined the Catholic Church in June, 2020.

“I am so happy to be a member of the Catholic Church at Saint Gabriel Parish.

The classes were extremely interesting and I really enjoyed interacting with all the members of the RCIA team. The knowledge I received and the love and care of the team will remain with me forever.”

Pictured: Morgan Ogoe (first on left) with RCIA team.



Join us for Adoration

Monday, 7 PM-8:30 PM
Tuesdays, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM;
7 PM – 8:30 PM (no adoration this Tuesday)
in the church



Please remember in your prayers, the repose of the Soul of Fran Rafferty



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary *August 15*

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven is, according to the beliefs of the Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Churches and Oriental Orthodoxy, among others, the bodily taking up of Mary, the mother of Jesus, into Heaven at the end of her earthly life.

The dogma (teaching of the church) of the Assumption affirms that Mary's body was glorified after her death. In fact, while for other human beings the resurrection of the body will take place at the end of the world, for Mary the glorification of her body was anticipated by a special privilege.

God so loved Mary that he “assumes” her into heaven, body and soul. It’s as if God wanted her to be in heaven immediately, without delay, fully and totally, so much did he love her.

The Assumption is about the dignity of the body. We tend to talk about heaven as if we will all be disembodied spirits, but here it is not only Mary’s soul that is assumed, but her physical body. God loves our souls, and our bodies, too.

Source- Fr. James Martin

(The feast is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)