

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19 FEBRUARY 2023

Readings for Sunday, February 19: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew 5:38-48.

Offer no resistance to one who persecutes you. Rather, love your neighbor as you love yourself. As the Lord is gracious and merciful, treat others in the same way, humbling yourself before the Lord.

Readings for Sunday, February 26: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11.



St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
20 Feb.	MON. 9:00 AM	Dominic Vitacco	Tony & Theresa
21 Feb.	TUE. 9:00 AM	Mary Litishin	Dennis Bolonski
22 Feb.	WED. 9:00 AM	Rev. James Gormley	
22 Feb.	WED. 7:00 PM	Jeannine Ferrante	Patti & Bruce Pollock
23 Feb.	THU. 9:00 AM	John & Cay Francis	Jane Perkins
25 Feb.	SAT. 4:00 PM	Hector Rivas, Florence Simon, Rafael & Maria Then	Deacon Ray & Millie Then
26 Feb.	SUN. 9:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, especially JOHN PARETTI and DORIS SMITH.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.

REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP leads the recitation of the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass every Sunday. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join them.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Monday, February 20 in observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

MAGNIFICAT BOOKS - Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their MARCH issue at the Parish Office.

The Corner

"When we come forward to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, we are saying that we are sorry for our sins and that we want to use the season of Lent to correct our faults, purify our hearts, control our desires and grow in holiness so we will be prepared to celebrate Easter with great joy." —CatholicSpirit.com

ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUND DONATION received in memory of: DORIS SMITH from Barbara & Michael Hipszer.

LOST WEEK

Collections

thank you

DEPOSIT FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2023 \$3,668
2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. \$143,026
2021-2022 Year to Date Collections. \$137,572

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend, February 25 and 26, will be the Feast Day Collection.

2022 CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS - Requests can be made by email at contact@sgsm62.org or by phone at 610-326-5127. Statements are available for registered parishioners (those who receive and use their church envelopes).

MASS ATTENDANCE for February 11/12:

4:00 PM Mass - 129
9:00 AM Mass - 108
Total Attendance - 237



PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fund raiser for the parish.** **We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month.** Your support is greatly appreciated.

LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

February 6 - #794 - unsold
February 7 - #399 - unsold
February 8 - #285 - unsold
February 9 - #768 - unsold
February 10 - #220 - unsold
February 11 - #154 - Dan Grim - \$50.00
February 12 - #697 - unsold

CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
Call the Parish Office for more details.



THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL is a time for our parish to come together to extend our love, generosity, and concern to those who need it most.

When you give to the Appeal, your gift is transformed into hope, providing education, food, shelter, and medical assistance to our brothers and sisters and neighbors right here in the Greater Philadelphia Area.

"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

CATAGNUS FUNERAL HOME
610-323-4440



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES on February 20 and March 6 and 20 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - February 25/26

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Warzeski

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Nester & George; Choir, Vitacco

Altar Server - Holmes

Greeter - DiMarco

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - LaRosa

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Donnelly & Carr

Altar Server - Donnelly & Francis

Greeter - Neiman



15TH ANNUAL MAN UP PHILLY MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE on Saturday, March 4. *"The Road to Emmaus - Finding Christ in the Breaking of the Bread."* Held at Cardinal O'Hara

High School. Speakers: Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Jim Wahlberg, Deacon James Mahoney and Mark Houck. Mark Forrest will lead our Eucharist Adoration. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available and the Conference concludes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Pérez. For more information and to register visit www.manupphilly.com.



FAST AND ABSTINENCE AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023 and on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

Ash Wednesday, February 22
Mass Schedule: 9:00 AM and
7:00 PM. Ashes will be
distributed at both Masses.



WHY CONFESSION? A Panel Discussion on Zoom on Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 PM. Join four priests of the Archdiocese for a webinar discussion on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Email your questions in advance to revival@archphila.org. For more details or to register visit www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/events.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22,
29 and April 5 at 1:00 PM.

Fridays, February 24, March 3,
10, 17, 24 and 31 at 7:00 PM.

CONFESSIONS:

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 from
12:30 PM to 1:00 PM.

Saturdays, February 25, March 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 3:30
PM to 3:45 PM.

MAGNIFICAT LENTEN BOOKS AND WORD AMONG US

LENTEN BOOKS are available at the church entrances.
There is no charge for the books. Please feel free to take
a copy of each home with you.

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION:

Wednesday, February 22 from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

Wednesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 from 9:30
AM to 1:00 PM and 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

Benediction at 5:00 PM.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: All are encouraged to
participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided
countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well
as throughout our nation and our world. Operation Rice
Bowls are available at the entrances to church.



GO FORTH: DEEPEN YOUR DISCIPLESHIP, GROW IN

MISSION - Starting on Ash Wednesday, February 22,
Archbishop Pérez will send a text message once a week
to anyone who wants to subscribe to his Go Forth List.
The text will contain one action step that a person can
take that week to either deepen their friendship with
Jesus or sharpen their skills for mission. For more
information or to subscribe, please visit
www.phillydisciples.org/goforth.

RECONCILIATION WEEKEND - Come be restored to peace.

No matter how long it's been, Jesus is always waiting to
unburden you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On
March 10 and 11, priests will be available to hear your
confession at many times and locations in the greater
Philadelphia area. For a list of times and places visit
www.phillyeucharisticrevival.org/events.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY EVENTS

Making Meatballs on Thursday, February 23 beginning at 4:00 PM until finished around 7:00 PM. Anyone interested in helping to roll meatballs is welcome. Come when you can, leave when you must. Please bring a 1/3 cup measure.

Corn Hole Tournament & Pizza on Saturday, March 11 after 4:00 PM Mass. Get your teams together and boards ready. You don't have to play to attend. Come as a spectator to have some pizza and cheer your favorite team. Sign up sheets for teams and spectators will be available in the church lobby. The best part, it's all free of charge sponsored by St. Gabriel Women's Society. Keep watching the bulletin for further updates. Please call if you are not playing but may have boards we could borrow (Lori, 610-326-6030 or Melanie, 267-688-6063).

Winner of the Valentine Basket - Barbara Keller.

MEATBALL AND SAUCE SALE

Sponsored by the Women's Society

Saturday, February 25

Note new pick up times:

#1 Saturday, February 25 from 12:00-2:00 PM

#2 Saturday, February 25 after 4:00 PM Mass

Please circle pick up time

1 dozen Meatballs - \$13.00

How many _____ \$Total_____

½ dozen Meatballs - \$7.00

How many _____ \$Total_____

1 quart of Sauce - \$7.00

How many _____ \$Total_____

NAME_____

PHONE NUMBER_____

Orders and payment due by February 19.

Checks payable to St. Gabriel Women's Society.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD - A Place to Heal From Abortion on March 3-5 at IHM Spirituality Center, Malvern. Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion for those who think they have committed the unforgivable sin. To register or questions, call Susan (610-716-4795) or Georgeann (484-955-4278).



VOCATION PRAYER

God our Father,
in Your plan for our salvation
You provide shepherds for Your
people. Fill Your Church in the
Archdiocese of Philadelphia,
especially St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish,
with the Spirit of courage and love.
Raise up from our families future
priests: worthy ministers for Your
altars, generous and ardent
servants of the Gospel.
We ask this through
Christ our Lord. Amen.

IMPORTANT CEMETERY INFORMATION

St. Aloysius and Holy Trinity Cemeteries will begin the Spring/Lenten Clean up process on Monday, March 6. If there are items currently on your loved one's grave site that you would like to save, we ask that you kindly remove the items by Sunday, March 5. Everything remaining will be removed on Monday, March 6 by our cemetery crew and disposed of. Thank you.

A LENTEN RETREAT with Fr. Isaac Haywiser, OSB- THE WOUNDS OF CHRIST: The Source of our Healing and the Joy of our Salvation on Sunday, March 5 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at St. Thomas More Parish, Pottstown. Meditation, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Evening Prayer and Benediction. In the midst of our lives, we know that there are many times we experience pain and suffering. Christ comes to heal us and offer us salvation.

JOB OPENINGS AT ST. MARY OF PROVIDENCE CENTER, Elverson:

FULL-CHARGE BOOKKEEPER with QuickBooks experience for about four hours per week. Can start immediately.
PART-TIME (20 hours per week) GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE TEAM MEMBER.
Please contact 610-942-4166 or send resume or message to providence@stmaryprov.org.