

WELCOME TO ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

We are glad that you have joined us as we encounter God in our worship together. If today is your first visit, we want you to know that St. Gabriel's is a welcoming and authentically inclusive faith community, which means that you are welcome just as you are – wholly made in the image of God. Whoever you are, and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We'd like to get to know you, so please share your contact info by filling out a blue information card, they are on the info table at the entrance. You can place it in the collection plate, send an email to the office, or text the clergy for coffee or tea!

Faith formation is important for the spiritual development of us all. Special attention is given to our children, it's the Jesus way! A Children's Story is provided at the beginning of the service and child care is provided for children up to kindergarten age and Sunday school will resume this Fall. The children return from child care and Sunday school before the Peace. Because Eucharist is essential to our faith journey please bring your children for Communion!

Coffee hour is like a second communion at St. Gabriel's, it builds community! We invite you to bring a treat if you can and regardless, visit with one another for awhile after service! While our in-person services and gatherings are mask-optional, you will not feel uncomfortable wearing one at St. Gabriel's because we recognize that there are people who have diverse reasons for taking every necessary health precaution possible. God bless you and thank you for being part of our faith community!

MINISTERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

At St. Gabriel's~San Gabriel the ministers for worship include the congregation, the clergy, and the staff. If you'd like to volunteer for one of the following roles, let one of the clergy or seminarian know. It is preferred that liturgical volunteers arrive at least ten minutes prior to the service

ACOLYTE

LECTOR: 1ST READING/PSALM

USHERS/GREETERS

The Rev. Daniel Vélez Rivera *Celebrant*

Mrs. Dana M. Jean Seminarian and Preacher

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

LECTOR: 2ND READING

TELLERS (Vestry Member + Volunteer)

The Vnbl. Holly Hanback Deacon

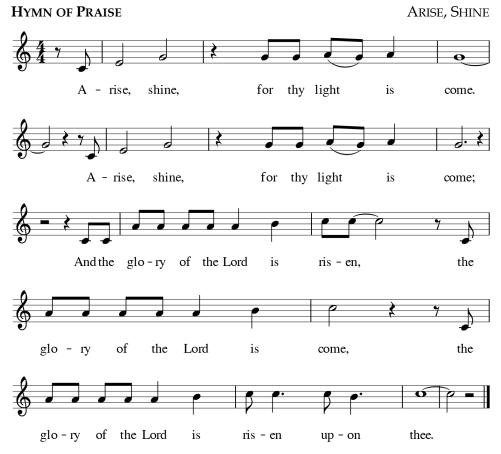
Mr. Peter Schweitzer Director of Music

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Holy Eucharist, Rite II



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant People	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant	Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name: through Christ our Lord.
People	Amen.



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

PeopleO God, the strength of all who put their trust in you:
Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness
we can do nothing good without you,
give us the help of your grace,
that in keeping your commandments we may please you
both in will and deed;through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

KNOW THE STORY, HEAR THE STORY

Children are invited for a Biblical message related to the lessons of the day.

Children up to Pre-K age can join Ms. Mildred and Ms. Nellie in the nursery after the story; they will return for the Peace and Eucharist.





THE **R**EADINGS

THE FIRST LESSON

DEUTERONOMY 30:15-20

Lector A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 119:1-8

THE RESPONSE

Read responsively by the whole verse

- 1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, * who walk in the law of the Lord!
- 2 Happy are they who observe his decrees * and seek him with all their hearts!
- 3 Who never do any wrong, * but always walk in his ways.
- 4 You laid down your commandments, * that we should fully keep them.
- 5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct * that I might keep your statutes!
- 6 Then I should not be put to shame, * when I regard all your commandments.
- 7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, * when I have learned your righteous judgments.
- 8 I will keep your statutes; * do not utterly forsake me.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 3:1-9

Lector A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand if you are comfortable doing so for the hymn and the reading of the Gospel



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 5:21-37

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one." Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: «Ustedes han oído que a sus antepasados se les dijo: "No mates, pues el que mate será condenado." Pero yo les digo que cualquiera que se enoje con su hermano, será condenado. Al que insulte a su hermano, lo juzgará la Junta Suprema; y el que injurie gravemente a su hermano, se hará merecedor del fuego del infierno. Así que, si al llevar tu ofrenda al altar te acuerdas de que tu hermano tiene algo contra ti, deja tu ofrenda allí mismo delante del altar y ve primero a ponerte en paz con tu hermano. Entonces podrás volver al altar y presentar tu ofrenda. Si alguien te lleva a juicio, ponte de acuerdo con él mientras todavía estés a tiempo, para que no te entregue al juez; porque si no, el juez te entregará a los guardias y te meterán en la cárcel. Te aseguro que no saldrás de allí hasta que pagues el último centavo.

»Ustedes han oído que se dijo: "No cometas adulterio." Pero yo les digo que cualquiera que mira con deseo a una mujer, ya cometió adulterio con ella en su corazón.

»Así pues, si tu ojo derecho te hace caer en pecado, sácatelo y échalo lejos de ti; es mejor que pierdas una sola parte de tu cuerpo, y no que todo tu cuerpo sea arrojado al infierno. Y si tu mano derecha te hace caer en pecado, córtatela y échala lejos de ti; es mejor que pierdas una sola parte de tu cuerpo, y no que todo tu cuerpo vaya a parar al infierno.

»También se dijo: "Cualquiera que se divorcia de su esposa, debe darle un certificado de divorcio." Pero yo les digo que si un hombre se divorcia de su esposa, a no ser en el caso de una unión ilegal, la pone en peligro de cometer adulterio. Y el que se casa con una divorciada, comete adulterio.

»También han oído ustedes que se dijo a los antepasados: "No dejes de cumplir lo que hayas ofrecido al Señor bajo juramento." Pero yo les digo: simplemente, no juren. No juren por el cielo, porque es el trono de Dios; ni por la tierra, porque es el estrado de sus pies; ni por Jerusalén, porque es la ciudad del gran Rey. Ni juren ustedes tampoco por su propia cabeza, porque no pueden hacer blanco o negro ni un solo cabello. Baste con decir claramente "sí" o "no". Pues lo que se aparta de esto, es malo.»

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Mrs. Dana M. Jean Seminarian

THE NICENE CREED

People We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

> We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

People of every age are invited to choose one of the prayers and read it aloud

Reader For the memory of all who work for justice; for the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for those who work and live in poverty, for those trying to break the cycle of despair, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

- *Reader* For those jailed and in prison, for their families and all who care for them; for immigrants and those migrating; for the freedom of all your children, let us pray to the Lord.
- *People* **Lord, have mercy.**
- *Reader* For deliverance from despair, danger, fear, violence, and oppression, let us pray to the Lord.
- *People* Lord, have mercy.
- *Reader* For eyes to see and minds to comprehend the privilege we have in our society, and for the strength to use our privilege for the welfare of others, let us pray to the Lord.
- *People* Lord, have mercy.
- *Reader* That we may live our lives and end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.*People* Lord, have mercy.
- *Reader* We remember all the saints living and departed, let us commend ourselves, and one another to Christ our God.*People* To thee, O Lord our God.
- You may offer your prayers of intercession and petition either aloud or in the silence of your heart. Pray for those who asked for our intercessions (pages 22-23).

CelebrantLet us Pray.PeopleGod, grant us the serenity to accept the things
we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can,
and the wisdom to know the difference,
through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Take a moment and talk to God in the spirit of confession before we pray together

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Deacon Eternal God, out of whose absolute power and infinite People intelligence the whole universe has come into being: We humbly confess that we have not loved you with our hearts, souls and minds and we have not loved our neighbors as Christ loved us. We have all too often lived by our own selfish impulses rather than by the life of sacrificial love as revealed by Christ. We often give in order to receive, we love our friends and hate our enemies, we go the first mile but dare not travel the second. And so, as we look within ourselves we are confronted with the appalling fact that the history of our lives is the history of an eternal revolt against you. Lord God, have mercy upon us. Forgive us for what we could have been, but failed to be. Give us the wisdom to discern your will. Give us the courage to do your will. Give us the devotion to love your will. In the name and spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, ♥ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.*People* Amen.

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.



love one another as I have loved you

HOLY COMMUNION

On this Sunday of Love and Friendship, we offer our hearts and our assistance to the people of Turkey and Syria, who are suffering unimaginable tragedy in the wake of the 7.8 magnitude earthquake on Monday. As of Friday the death toll was over 22,000. Please consider making a donation through Episcopal Relief & Development, who, with other ministry partners, are helping to provide relief and support.



The loose cash in the collection today will be sent to ERD. You can also write a check payable to "Episcopal Relief and Development", or scan this QR code with your cellphone to make your donation directly to ERD.

OFFERTORY HYMN

THE SUMMONS

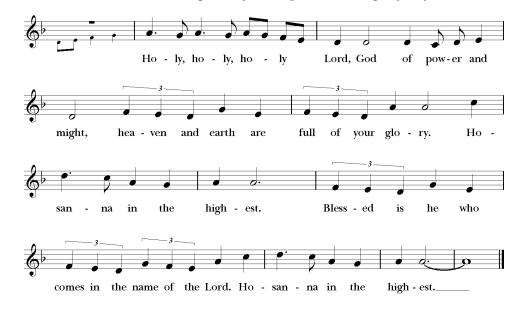
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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

All things come of thee, Oh Lord, Celebrant and of thine own have we given thee. People Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you. Celebrant Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. People Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. People Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Gabriel, St. James, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Celebrant	Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
	in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise,
	for ever and ever.
People	AMEN.

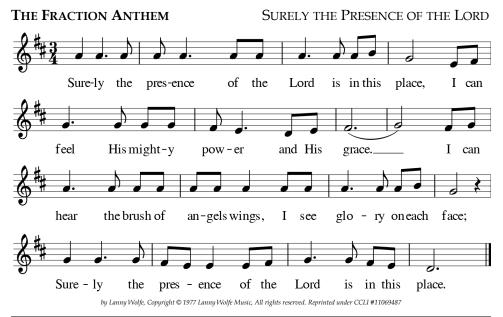
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, let us pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga a nosotros tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us.PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.



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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith with thanksgiving.



WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD Where all are welcome!

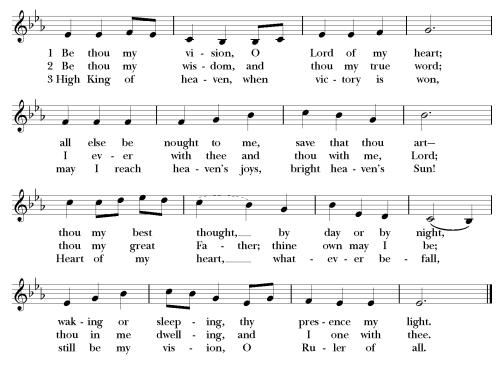
The Church affirms the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine. Believers of all denominations are invited to receive the Sacrament. To receive the bread extend your hands forward. We are not sharing a common cup at this time, so the celebrant will intinct (dip) the bread into the wine before giving it to you. If you do not wish to receive Communion today but would like a blessing, come forward during Communion, cross your arms over your chest, and you will be given a blessing in the name of God. Gluten-free wafers are available. **COMMUNION HYMN**

MY GOD, THY TABLE NOW IS SPREAD



COMMUNION HYMN

BE THOU MY VISION



THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand if you are able

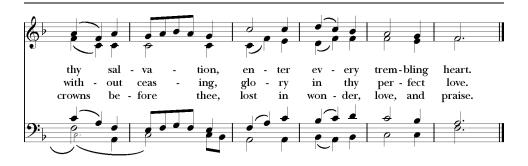
Celebrant Let us Pray.

PeopleGod of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and
cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one
another; and you have made us one with all your people in
heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your
Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.

THE EPIPHANYTIDE BLESSING

CelebrantMay Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you,
that your lives may be a light to the world;
and the blessing of God Almighty: The Father, ♥ The Son,
and The Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever more.PeopleAmen.





THE DISMISSAL

- *Deacon* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!
- People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers...

THE CHURCH

We pray for the Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; The Bishops of the Diocese of Virginia: +Mark Stevenson and +Gayle Harris; for our clergy: Fr. Daniel+ and Deacon Holly; and for our seminarian, Dana.

In our parish, we pray for Janet Taliaferro.

In our Diocese, we pray for Hanover With Brunswick Parish (St. John's, Emmanuel, Lamb's Creek), King George.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

ST. GABRIEL'S COMMUNITY

All members of Saint Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel, St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds, Saint James', and the students and staff of the Belmont Ridge Middle School.

St. Gabriel's Lay Leaders & Staff David (Dj) Gunning, Abi Hernández Cruz, and Eva María Torres.

St. Gabriel's Music Ministers Peter Schweitzer, Carmelo Saavedra, and members of our church choirs.

St. Gabriel's Sunday School Teachers, Child Care Providers & Helpers A special thanks to our teachers for inspiring our children with creative and heartfelt Christian formation lessons.

All volunteers of St. Gabriel's Social Justice Ministries

For the multigenerational community education ministry volunteers, for the Prayer Shawl and Prayer Square ministry participants, for the ESL volunteers, for the spiritual companions of the Alliance of Women with Love participants; and for the Educando con Amor volunteers.

St. Gabriel's Vestry Rob Buchanan (*Senior Warden*/2024), Carla Rhoads (*Junior Warden*/2024), Steve Rice (*Treasurer*/2023), Dj Gunning (*Clerk*), Karen Ballesteros (2025), Paula Callaghan Morató (2024), César Frías (2024), José Mejía (2024), Isamar Ortega (2025), Sue Schweitzer (2024), Eileen Shaffer (2025), and Eva María Torres Herrera (2024).

We pray for the New Vision Task Force charged by the congregation to explore options for St. Gabriel's to move under one roof: Janet Taliaferro & Parker Gallagher (co-chairs), Peter Schweitzer, Jennifer Smith, John Jacobs, Octavio Somuano, Bruce LeLacheur, Chuck Mitchell, Carla Rhoads, and Rob Buchanan.

We pray for the healing, wholeness, comfort, guidance, and safe travel of the following people in our faith community: The Forcier Family; Robin Elizabeth López; Tom and Bobbie Wilkinson & family; Rev. Teresa Angle-Young; Birsabid Cortés; Erik Donivan; Cindy Rodriguez; Carol Shaffer; Theresa Shields; Mary Ramsey; Donald Barber; Máximo Vélez; Robert Joseph Rouse; Molly Mitchell; Hermelinda Araki; Margaret Schweitzer; Martha Meléndez; Victoria Delgado; Dainise Patterson; Aura Mojica; María Flores; Laura Argueta vda. de López; George Dyson; Anthony Holley; Sheri Muilenburg; Tony and Lesina Visgaitis and family; Mario Roberto Mejía Arias; Juanita Gardner; Michael and Laura Smith & family; Worrall family; Cindy LoSasso; Rob Schwartzman; Kelly Wilkinson and family; Rigoberto Somuano and Concepción Rojas; Griselda Frías; Shelly Rodriguez; Janice Queen; Peter Schweitzer and family; Myrta Mercado; Jack Cusack; Ethan Newland and family; Ruth Brown; Jack and Betty Barden; Gideon Darden.

We pray for our college students: Grace Shaffer; Aidan Baron, Lindsey Thompson; Isabella Ballesteros, Samara Umanzor Ortega, Brad Mejía, Zane Knowlton, McKayla Shaffer, Preston Newland, Jacob Denzin, Avera Worrall, Abi Hernandez-Cruz, Annie Cusack, Michelle Balderrama Burgoa, Danny Costanza, Conor Rice, Eddie Queen, Nina Costanza, Leslie Lewis, Marie Victoria Frías Pomárez, Elinore McLain, Samantha Smith, and Kyra Baron.

We pray for our parishioners serving in the Armed Forces: Jamaal A. Boyd (U.S. Army), Joseph Castillejos (U.S. Army), and Karyna Beatriz Saavedra (U.S. Marines).

THE WORLD

Our prayers for President Biden, Vice President Harris, members of the United States Congress, Governor Youngkin, Mayor Burke, and the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, and for elected officials throughout the world. For the victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse, and natural disasters in the United States and around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEB 21 | SHROVE TUESDAY

Join us for our traditional Shrove Tuesday Pancakes & Pupusas supper. In addition to the delicious food, there will be doll making for the shelters at the border, music, love and fellowship. **Tuesday, February 21 at 6pm** at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 605 W Market St, Leesburg, VA 20176

FEB 22 | ASH WEDNESDAY

We will begin a Holy Lent with a bilingual service on **Wednesday**, **February 22 at 7pm** in the cafeteria at Belmont Ridge Middle School.

VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY UNDERWAY

Thanks to lay leaders Jennifer Smith and Becky Upchurch, spiritual formation at St. Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel is thriving with Virtual Bible Study! Each day Monday through Friday, participants receive an email with a reflection. You can respond (or not, if you'd prefer to just reflect and contemplate). The more reflections people send the richer the discussion becomes. Try out this new and convenient way to share spiritually with your church family. We are studying the book of Esther and invite you to join the virtual discussions. To be added to the email distribution list send an email to info@saintgabriels.net.

HELP MAKE OUR 2023 MISSION, MINISTRY, AND WORSHIP HAPPEN!

Our church and the programs, social justice, outreach, and worship that we offer are funded by the generosity of your donations. Please help sustain our ministries with your pledge in 2023. We are two thirds of the way to reach the pledge goal of \$100,000 for 2023. Please email Dj to inform us that you intend to pledge or you can also complete the paper form on the info table and put it in the offering basket.

Thank you for your financial support of St. Gabriel's! If you have questions or need assistance in completing your pledge contact Dj at the office: dj@saintgabriels.net or (703) 779-3616.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9

PARISH CALENDAR

Feb 12	TOD	ΑY	Day of Love and Friendship (St. Valentine's) <i>BRMS</i>
Feb 21	Tues	6:00pm	Shrove Tuesday Dinner Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 605 W. Market Street.
Feb 22	Wed	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Bilingual Service BRMS

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BLESSINGS FROM ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church started public worship in the Fall of 2002 to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the growing communities of Leesburg, Lansdowne, and Ashburn in Loudoun County, Virginia. Our mission is to "Encounter God, Build Meaningful Relationships, and Make a Difference in the World" through inspiring worship, faithbuilding discipleship, warm fellowship, heartfelt pastoral care, active evangelism, outreach, and service. We live into our mission statement through word and deed, with God's help!

S t. Gabriel's is a welcoming, hospitable, and inclusive faith community, open to people at any stage in their faith journey with Christ. We value human diversity and seek to be a church that reflects the breadth of those who live in our community. We have life-long Christians as well as spiritual seekers and we welcome you just as God made you, , without conditions or barriers. In our worship services you can dress up or dress down, God doesn't care what you wear, nor do we! We extend an invitation to get to know you so that you can develop your faith and we hope that you will invite others to share the spiritual gifts that you find here!

St. Gabriel's is the first bilingual (English-Spanish), multicultural and multiethnic Episcopal congregation in Loudoun County. Worship takes place in four locations and in two languages: the English-language services are at the Belmont Ridge Middle School each Sunday and at Ashby Ponds on the third Tuesday of every month. The Spanish-language service is at Saint James' in Leesburg, and in warm months we worship one Saturday a month at the Chapel in the Woods. We invite you to help us continue building the kingdom of God in this corner of Leesburg through prayer, love, commitment to God and community, joyful worship, and Christian service. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, know that this is a loving community. Blessings and peace!

WORSHIP

10:00 am Sunday Mass in English Belmont Ridge Middle School 19045 Upper Belmont Place, Leesburg

St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds Chapel *Third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am* 21170 Ashby Ponds Blvd. Ashburn, VA 20147

The Rev. Daniel Vélez-Rivera, Vicar Fr.Daniel@saintgabriels.net Cell 571-293-0070

Mr. Peter Schweitzer Director of Music music@saintgabriels.net

Mr. Carmelo Saavedra Music/Choir Director (3pm) saavedra.hernandez.carmelo@gmail.com **3:00 pm Misa Dominical en español** San Gabriel en St. James' 14 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg

The Chapel in the Woods

Open any time you wish to pray Corner of Battlefield Pkwy/Ft. Evans Rd.

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