

A wooden cross is centered on a dark purple background, surrounded by several pink rose petals. The word "Rejoice!" is written in a white, cursive font above the cross.

Rejoice!



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Office Hours

Monday	8:30 am—4:00 pm
Tuesday-Thursday:	8:30 am—12:00 pm
Friday-Sunday:	Office closed

Church Hours

Monday-Friday:	during business hours
Saturday:	Open at 3:10 pm
Sunday:	Open at 7:30 am

Mass Times

Mon., Tues., Thursday:	9:00 am Daily Mass	Confessions:	3:15 pm—4:00 pm Saturday Chapel
Wednesday:	6:30 pm Stations 6:50 pm Mass	Rosary:	8:30 am (before daily Mass) Main Church
Saturday:	4:15 pm (Vigil)	Miraculous	
Sunday:	8:00 am 10:00 am	Medal Novena:	9:00 am (after daily Mass)

More Information

New Parishioners: Welcome to our parish! All are welcome to register. The Parish Registration Form is available in the Church Office. Father will contact you to complete the process. Families must register before attending PREP.

Moving: Please notify the office of any address changes.

Sick or Homebound: Contact the office to receive Holy Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick in home or hospital.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance. Please contact the office.

Baptism: Please contact the office to make arrangements.

PREP: Religious Education classes for students (Levels 1-7) who attend non-Catholic School. Please contact Linda Riofski.

M A S S intentions

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:00 am—Celebrant's Intentions

10:00 am—Confirmation

Monday, March 11, 2024

9:00 am Mass—Margaret Malchione

requested by Fred and Rosemarie Marengo

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

9:00 am Mass—Edward Kavanagh

requested by Rita Cavalier

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

6:30 pm—Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm Mass—Charles McGettigan

requested by Peg Bradley

Thursday, March 14, 2024

9:00 am Mass—Edward Kavanagh

requested by Charles and Edie Losito and family

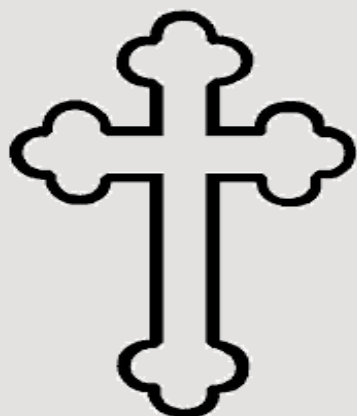
Friday, March 15, 2024

9:00 am No Mass

Saturday, March 16, 2024

4:15 pm Vigil—Joseph Bradley

requested by family



Dedications:

The Sanctuary Lamp:

Louise and Victor Zunino
requested by Bob Zunino family

Blessed Mother Candle

Special Intention

Padre Pio Candle:

Robbie Wilson

Saint Gabriel Candle:

Special Intention

La Pieta Candle

Special Intention

\$10 donation for all candles

Candles may be lit in memory of a deceased loved one or for any other worthy intention.

Contact the Parish Office with any requests.



Pray for our sick, especially Fr. Pileggi, Leah Nolan, Raymond Zdebski, Jr., Leann Lvong, Ingeburg Hess



Pray for our service members, especially Command Master Chief Christian A. Hartwell (SEAL), U.S. Navy, Capt. Patrick J. O'Kane, USMC, PFC; Ashley M. Hartwell; US Army-Military Police; Seaman Anthony William Clay, Jr.; Capt. Kyle F. Hanson, USMC.; Capt. W. Maxwell Hodges, US Army; Lt. Commander Genevieve Barrett, US Navy; Lt. James Brittain, US Navy.

Names for the sick, service members, and recently deceased are listed in order received by the Church Office. They will be printed for six weeks.

Please submit prayer requests by emailing office@saintgabrielparish.org or calling the Office.



Time—Talent—Treasure

Your generosity and support of our parish is greatly appreciated!

Thank you!

From The PASTOR

I wanted to thank everyone involved for all their hard work in making "Gabe's Sundaes on Saturday" an awesome success. A great way to celebrate our patron's feast day with food, games and one another.

—Father Anthony

St. Gabriel's Blood Drive

Thank you to all who donated blood at the event.
It was a very successful day!

Lenten Study

March 12, 19, 26 | 9:45 am | Church Hall

Watch and read about the voluntary suffering of Jesus over the course of His last 12 hours on Earth--from the Garden of Gethsemane to His crucifixion and death.

Lenten Speaker

Thursday, March 21st | 7:00 pm | Church

How is faith rational? Why do people think the Church and science contradict? What contributions have Catholics made to the sciences?

Alex Sailsman is an MIT graduate in Materials Science and Engineering. She has worked in industries from nanotech to food science and even taken part in rocket science and brain surgery. Her passion for nerdiness followed her to the altar at her science-themed wedding. She has over a decade of experience working with composite materials for aerospace and semiconductor applications. She looks forward to starting her doctorate in engineering this fall and turns her kitchen into a lab on occasion.

Join us as we explore the depths of science and faith!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday | during 10:00 am Mass
Cancelled 3/31 due to Easter Sunday

Children in preschool through 4th grade are invited to the Children's Liturgy during Sunday Mass.

Lending Library

We are looking for new and used children's books that are pertinent to the Catholic faith in order to build a children's library in the Engagement office.

If you would like to donate, please place books in the labeled bin outside the Church Office.

First Holy Communion

On April 20th, 17 students will receive their First Holy Communion at a special 11:00 am Mass.

Please pray for these children so they grow in anticipation of receiving the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ for the first time.

Christian Initiation of Adults

Please pray for the two gentlemen joining our faith at the Easter Vigil Mass March 30th at 7 pm

Ministry of Consolation

Thursday, March 21st | 7:00 pm
Assumption BVM Chapel

Our ministry responds to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person in their lives. The meeting lasts approximately one hour and we respect your privacy. If you are feeling heartbroken, isolated, or lost, our small group wants to share our support.

Dennis can be reached at 610-345-7480 or consolation@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org



Knights of Columbus



Men of our parish:

Find out more about the Knights of Columbus and our drive for Charity, Unity and Fraternity:

grandknight16991@gmail.com

Upcoming Events:

Rosary in the Chapel: March 17, 24
Easter Egg Hunt: March 31st

Scriptural Rosary for the Family

Sundays during Lent | 9:30 am | St. Gabriel Chapel
March 17th, 24th

During this Lenten season, the Knights of Columbus will host three Sundays of "Praying the Rosary" before the 10:00 am Sunday Mass.

We will provide prayer guides and finger rosaries. Bring your own five decade rosaries to fully participate. We will be following the standard format with scripture reading between decades. We will start right at 9:30 am to ensure we finish 10 minutes before 10:00 Mass.

We look forward to praying with you!



"Prayer can truly change your life. For it turns your attention away from yourself and directs your mind and heart toward the Lord"

-Saint John Paul II

Family Dinner

Who: Families with children 8th grade and younger

What: Lenten Family Potluck

When: Wednesday, March 27th at 5:15 pm

Where: St. Gabriel Hall

In order to strengthen our church community and bring our young families together, we would like to gather for a potluck dinner prior to attending Stations of the Cross and Daily Mass together at 6:30 pm. During dinner we can discuss ways to pray with our children and how to observe Holy Week and the Pascal Triduum as busy parents of young children.

Paper products, drinks, and cookies for dessert will be provided. Please bring a covered main dish or casserole to share, along with the appropriate serving utensil.

Please RSVP to Emily at

engagement@saintgabrielparish.org

Hope to see you there!

St. Gabriel Mass Intentions

2025 Mass Cards will be available May 1st.

Dedication candles are still available for 2024. Please call the Church Office with requests.

Bishop Shanahan Visitation Day

Thursday, March 21st | 9 am

Universal 7th Grade Visitation Day

Register at <http://shanahan.org>

The school bus to and from Shanahan will be available at no additional cost to all Southern Chester Country school districts beginning in the 2024-2025 school year.

Kennett Area Community Service

To see the most up-to-date list of needs and other ways to support the organization, please visit

<https://kacsimpact.org/support/>

Please check expiration dates! Items can be left in the narthex and will be delivered to the food bank.

Thank you!

Bishop Shanahan Bus Update

The school bus to and from Shanahan will be available at no additional cost to all Southern Chester Country school districts beginning in the 2024-2025 school year.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23

A reflection on the evil of not paying attention to God's prophets compels the Israelites to endure a 70 year exile in Babylon.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2: 4-10

St. Paul tells Christians that they can be identified with Christ in that they too will be enthroned with Him in heaven.

Gospel: John 3: 14-21

The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus continues with a discussion about God sending His only Son to earth to bring light and love to the world.

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47

Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53

Sunday Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Heb 5:7-9

Jn 12:20-33

Regional CYO Registration

Registration is open to the following parishes: Assumption BVM, Sacred Heart, Saint Patrick, Saint Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother and Saint Rocco

Registration is open through March 19th

We will be offering:

TRACK: 4th - 8th Grade, PeeWee: K - 3rd

BASEBALL: Varsity: 7th - 8th Grade, Junior Varsity: 5th - 6th Grade

The registration site is:

<https://tinyurl.com/ABVM-CYO>

If you are interested in coaching or volunteering, please contact

Neil O'Donnell at CYO@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org

ABVM School Annual Golf Classic

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024 at HARTEFELD NATIONAL

12:00 pm shot gun start

Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm.

\$200 per golfer.

The cost includes green fees, a golf cart, lunch, drinks on the course, range balls, and a delicious dinner!

Dinner only: \$50 per adult; \$25 per child.



Register to participate:

<http://tinyurl.com/ABVMGolf2024>

Learn more about Sponsorship, Donations, and Volunteer Registration:

<http://tinyurl.com/ABVMGolf2024Sponsor>

Questions? Contact Jen 610-842-8151 or Vince Basciani 610-637-2658

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