

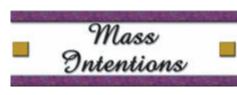
# 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:32-34

# St. Gabriel's Church

# Elma, New York



Monday, September 6, 2021 9:00AM Richard Harmel by Loving Daughter, Barbara

**Tuesday, September 7, 2021** 8:00AM Philip Ippolito by his Wife 11:30AM Sigmund & Helen Garney by Jerry & Karen

#### Wednesday, September 8, 2021 8:00AM Suzanne Jankowiak by Jim & Cathy

Jankowiak 11:30AM Adeline Romance by Bill & Sharon Bergler

Thursday, September 9, 2021 8:00AM Norman Goettelman by Loving Wife, & Children 11:30AM Edward Piepszny by Family

#### Friday, September 10, 2021:

8:00ÅM For St. Gabriel's Parishioners by Fr. Walter 11:30AM Donna Pohlman by Robert Ritzel

Saturday, September 11, 2021:

8:00AM Michael Nawrocki by Family

#### Sunday Vigil:

4:00PM Jean Antoszewski by Ron & Marilynn 6:00PM Mary Owens by Mary Bitka

#### Sunday, September 12, 2021

- 6:00AM Helen & Mike Chronik by Acker Family 8:00AM 60th Wedding Anniversary of Augustine & Diane Urbino and for Anthony Mastrangelo 10:00AM Ronald Ratajczak by Mr. & Mrs. Norman Kotz
- 12:00PM Donna Pohlman by Gail Yeager

# **COLORING PAGES**

Please have your children take a coloring sheet from the entrances of the Church. Next weekend is Grandparents Day and we would like the children to return their coloring page to

the music ministry area of the Church.

For those attending the 10am outdoor Mass, we will have a collection box available to put your picture in!



### MASS ON THE GRASS

Join us on Sunday, September 12, 2021 At the 10:00AM Mass for an outdoor Mass.

We ask that all children come to this Mass with their backpacks for school so Fr. Walter may give them and their school supplies a blessing for a successful and healthy school year!

> Don't forget your chairs or blankets to sit on. You may also bring your pets!



Please add to your prayers that we have good weather on this day! In case of rain, we will have the Mass in the Church.



#### **OUR OFFERING TO GOD** "Honor the Lord with all your wealth With the first fruits of all your produce."

Your sacrificial gift presented at the Offertory:

August 28/29, 2021 Online Total \$14,129.01 <u>\$ 5,049.50</u> \$19,178.51

Mailed envelopes Returned by mail **Online giving**  2017 40 - 50 weekly 788 Parishioners

May God reward you a hundred-fold for every act of generosity to our parish. We are grateful to each of you for every donation. May our appreciation for the treasure that is St. Gabriel's parish be expressed in our unselfishness and self-sacrifice. Thank you to all our generous parishioners and friends for the support

our generous parishioners and friends for the support of our parish. GIVE TO GOD WHAT IS RIGHT, NOT WHAT IS LEFT!"

#### "PLEASE REMEMBER ST. GABRIEL'S PARISH IN YOUR WILL

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# NEW YEAR...

It is already September! Our Church begins a new business year. We will work on our financial report for the Diocese and later for our Parishioners.



We also begin a new school year. Next Sunday we will have our annual Mass on the Grass. We will have a blessing of the children and their backpacks for a successful academic year. Please bring your friendly pets too; hopefully the weather will be nice for this celebration.

This is also a new start for our Religious Education program under the leadership of Emma. We made our classes smaller for the safety of our children. We would like to encourage parents to come for Mass with your children. Knowledge of our faith is not enough. We should practice it as best as possible.

Catholic schools have their own beginning too. We have over 50 children in 5 different Catholic schools. Because we do not have our own Catholic school, we were advised to help parishes with schools financially. The diocese asked us to help with our parishioners tuition with \$1,500 per child.

Only those families who are practicing Catholics and supporting our Church can receive that help. To qualify for assistance we ask parents and children attending Catholic schools to come to the second Sunday of the month 10am Mass. We ask them to support us financially and be involved in our parish life. Please understand that parish donations will support your child/children's private school tuition.

The project on Clinton Street is coming to the final stages. Please continue to be cautious and safe entering and exiting our parking lot.

As the pandemic of Covid-19 continues to be part of our life, please do everything to be safe and protect each other's safety.

I hope you all had a nice summer and will start coming to the Church regularly. The dispensation from attending Mass is over. It is our obligation to come for Mass.

May the Lord bless our children, students, and may the Lord bless you all.

You are in my heart and my prayers.

Yours,

Fr. Walter

The parish offices will be closed on Monday, September 6th for the Labor Day Holiday.

Mass will be at 9am

There will not be an 11:30am Mass.

# WEDDING BANNS



Elma, New York

Bann II Sarah Collins and Larry Stuber

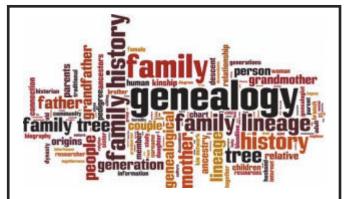
> Bann I Caitlin Horvatits and Logan Webber



Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Schwendner celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 4th!

Mr. & Mrs. Augustine Urbino celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on September 9th!

Congratulations!



# 12th ANNUAL GENEALOGY FAIR IS THIS COMING SATURDAY

The Polish Genealogical Society of New York State and St. Gabriel's Holy Name Society will hold their 12th annual genealogy fair at St. Gabriel's Church Hall located at 5271 Clinton St. in Elma, NY.

Family tree displays, surname look-ups, research assistance, guest historical and genealogical societies, and refreshments! Observe Covid precautions.

Guests Societies include:

Buffalo Irish (BIGS) Western NY (WNYGS) Polly Gillet Hull DAR Chapter

#### St. Gabriel's Church



#### **FAITH FORMATION GRADES 1 - 5**

Classes begin September 18, 2021, and Monday classes begin September 20, 2021. If you are unable to register for the session you prefer, please call the office at 668-2070. Home schooling is an option for those with conflicts. This year we will not be using the online Faith in Life Program. Instead, we will be using "Be My Disciples" books. Classes are filling up fast!

> Saturday 9:00am - 10:00am 10:30am - 11:30am Monday 4:30pm - 5:30pm 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Parents, please also sign up for Flocknotes by texting GABES to 84576.

Please be registered at St. Gabriel's, and be active in the parish by attending Mass regularly with your child/children and supporting the parish.

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

Thank you to all teachers volunteering in our Faith Formation program. I am happy to announce that all classes have been filled with a teacher. If you



are still interested in volunteering either as a substitute teacher or classroom aid, please call the Faith Formation office or see Emma after Mass. Thank you and may God bless you for answering this call.



#### CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you have a child age 6 or older? Are you searching for a meaningful activity for that child? Does that child like to sing and praise God? Then why not join St. Gabe's newest ministry!! The Singing Angels!

Practice is at 11am after the 10am Mass. Feel free to bring your child over and see Emma after Mass for more details.

All are welcome!

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Come before him with joyful songs!"

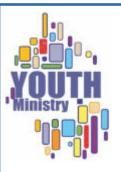
Psalm 100

#### **NEWLY MARRIED**

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pavlovic were married on August 28, 2021 and have now begun their journey together in love and faith.



Congratulations!



#### Movie Night Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021 (following 6pm Mass) God is Not Dead 1 Popcorn & Candy too! All parishioners are welcome

Looking towards the Fall Semester:

Edge: 6th & 7th Grade 6-7:30pm Tuesdays Class begins: September 14, 2021 8th Grade 6-7:30pm Mondays Class begins: September 13, 2021

#### LIFE TEEN

Ninth Grade: Confirmation Preparation Begins All students are expected to attend Life Teen Nights Wednesdays 6-7:30pm First Class Sept. 15, 2021

10th Grade (Second year of Confirmation Prep.)

# Please note regular Mass attendance is expected throughout the year.

Registration is open: stgabeschurch.com

If you are not registered, or if you have any questions, please call the Faith Formation Office. 716-668-4017

*"He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."* 

Mark 7:37

May our Lord bless our Young People.

Ms Jean and Ms Anna Youth Ministers

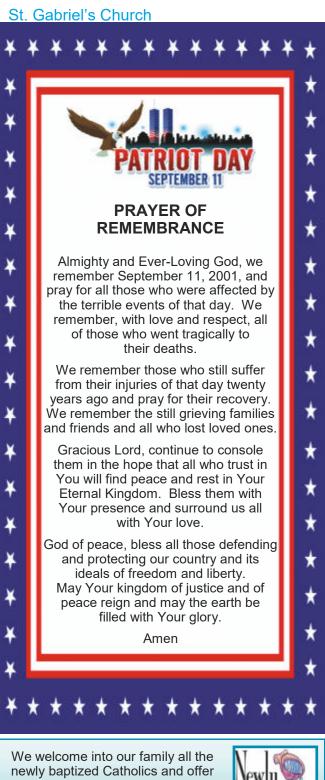


A special thank you to Fr. Walter who donated a crucifix to Faith Formation for the Parish Hall, and to Bob Shaul who so generously used his carpentry skills, and to Lenny who assisted in putting it all together. We now have a beautiful crucifix in our Parish Hall.

Another special thank you goes out to Mike and the Maintenance crew for cleaning and disinfecting the student rooms! They are now clean and bright, and ready for the kids! Everyone's efforts are very much appreciated.

Also, to the service ministry, thank you to all the kids who helped with cleaning and getting things ready for our classrooms. *"Many hands make light work."* Your service is much appreciated, and may God bless you all.

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We welcome into our family all the newly baptized Catholics and offer congratulations to the parents of:



Sophia Joy Pavlovic

#### MONDAY NIGHT PRAYER GROUP

Please join us on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7pm in the Church for our monthly prayer group.

All are welcome!



Lauren Reese, A Special Intention, R&R Grabowski, Jan Parent, Karen Mazur, Donald Cloy, Joe W., Sr. Joseph Marie, Donna Sopczyk, Ady Cvetkovski, Stella Rose Curtin, John Malovich Sr., Kim, Christina Gravius, Phyllis Wainwright, Alexander Bielecki, Timothy Popielski, James Refermat, Carol Stenzel, Kathy McGee, Renee Rozanski - Branem, Norm Benjamin, Matthew Mulhern, Rielly Mulhern, Rian Mulhern, Laurel Cieslak, Margaret Dutka, Chet Pawlowski, Karen Doyle, Sharon Styborski, MaryAnn Ellsworth, Richard J. Wolicki, Janice Korzeniewski, Freitas Family, Dave Denk, Eileen Dougherty, Karen Bordonaro, Arlene Litwin, Racheal Lombardo, Bob Shaul, Paul Schifferle, Mary Jane K., Edward S., Jeffrey Pieczynski, Jim Moore, Bernard Blocho, Jr., Shay Mikalonis, Edward Bunskold, Peyton Mae Keith, Kimberly Stribing, Rosanne Getsler, Jay D. Anthony, Sheila Bluhm, David Z., Jim Corey, Joseph & Patricia Coffta, Mary Ellen Owczarzak, Mike Cretacci, Cristina Scinta, Hannah Jones, Jill Riccioni, Richard and Dorothy DeSantis

# **FAMILY SCOUTING**



The Cub Scout Program, chartered by St. Gabriel's Holy Name Society, is a

youth ministry that serves Boy's and Girl's ages 5 through 10. (Grades Kindergarten through Fifth Grade).

Parents may choose to sign up their sons and **daughters** for Cub Scouts. Our pack consists of girl dens and boy dens. Cub Scout dens will be single gender—all boys or all girls. Female volunteers will lead the girls den.

Our meetings are on Thursday evenings at 6:45pm.

BSA programs provide character and leadership building experiences that give young people a solid foundation for their futures.

Questions / Information? Contact Darrell Jones Pack 618 Committee Chair (716) 867-3790 or dtjones14086@gmail.com or Don Trzepacz Pack 618 Cubmaster donems1@aol.com





# List of Ministries & Organizations

Faith Formation Coordinator - Emma Dus 668-2070 Youth Ministry - Jean Czerniak 668-2070 Director of Music - Emma Dus 668-2070 Folk Group - Paul Bloom 901-0767 St. Vincent De Paul - Dan 424-8928 RCIA - Cindy 668-9062 or Sue 668-3063 Prayer Group - Ron Karwick 997-9277 Bible Study (Thursday @ 7pm) - Dick Ciezki 656-9395 Prayer Shawl Ministry - Ann Bauman 684-1732 Prayer Cloth Ministry - Judy Sipior 668-3020 Holy Name - David Herzog 681-2574 Ladies' Guild - Sally Herzog 685-3986 Usher - Bob Shaul 668-4362 Eucharistic Ministers - Richard Luczak 572-5520 Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick - Rectory 668-4017 Lectors - Michele Ziegler 510-5677 Altar Servers - Matt Wachala 507-5977 Bereavement - Mary Ellen Soroka 655-0147 Parish Council - Ron Karwick 997-9277 Respect Life - Pat Morelle 207-6509 Helping Hands - Rectory 668-4017 Boy Scouts - Tom Greier 256-9573 Cub Scouts - Darrell Jones 867-3790 Fraternus - Tom Nuttle stgabesfraternus@gmail.com Counters of Collections - Rectory 668-4017

#### RECTORY OFFICE: 668-4017 FAX: 656-0616

Secretary: Toni Wittmeyer Bookkeeper: Kris Iwankow

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

Coordinator, Emma Dus Secretary, Gerrie Cvetkovski Youth Minister, Jean Czerniak Edge Coordinator, Anna Updike Hours: Mon. -Thurs. 9:00am - 3:00pm Also, during all class times 668-2070

> MUSIC Director, Emma Dus

MAINTENANCE Mike Tulumello, Dan Florkowski, Joe Wolanin

TRUSTEES

Kathy Moriarity Tom Henninger

Pastor: Rev. Walter Grabowski

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Patryk Sobczyk

Permanent Deacon: Deacon Gregory Moran

# MASS SCHEDULE

Rosary - Monday-Saturday.....7:30am

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm (Weekend & evenings by appointment)

www.stgabeschurch.com stgabriel@stgabeschurch.com

#### ADORATION

(First Friday of the Month) Immediately following the 11:30am Mass Through 6pm Benediction

#### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

New Parishioners are requested to register at the Parish Office during office hours as soon as possible, in person or by telephone. Please notify the Parish Office when moving out of Parish or changing address.

#### LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

# **SACRAMENTS**

#### BAPTISM

Following the 12 Noon Mass. Baptism preparation class required for first time parents prior to Sacrament. Baptisms are held on the Second and Fourth Sunday's of the month. Call the Rectory to make arrangements.

#### RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 7:50am Tuesday & Friday 11am - 11:15am Saturdays 3:15pm - 3:45pm

#### MARRIAGE

Appointments are to be made one year PRIOR to wedding day. Attendance is required at a Marriage Preparation Program.

#### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Letters of recommendation can be issued to members of our parish who are registered at least three months, regularly attend Mass, and receive the Sacraments. Regular use of envelopes indicates attendance at Mass. Sponsors are to be Baptized, Confirmed, and if married, have done so in conformity with the laws of the Church.

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