Masses
Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:
7:00 a.m.
Thursday: 8:15 a.m.

Confessions
Saturday: 3:15 - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

“I am the good shepherd.
A good shepherd lays down
his life for the sheep.”

*John 10:11*
Welcome to St. Gabriel the Archangel
We are happy that you have gathered with us today to worship at Mass and to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ. If you are interested in joining our parish family, please contact the parish office via phone or email (see below). If you are already a member, thank you for helping us bring the joy of the Gospel to the world!

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, APRIL 22
Children’s Liturgy of the Word
11:15 a.m. - Children’s Choir Rehearsal
Coffee and rolls will be served in Stingle Hall after Mass.

MONDAY, APRIL 23
6:30 p.m. - Rosary
7:00 p.m. - Holy Hour

TUESDAY, APRIL 24
7:00 p.m. - Parish Council

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25
9:30 a.m. - Ladies in Prayer
5:00-6:00 p.m. - Confessions

THURSDAY, APRIL 26
9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. - Bible Study
2:30 p.m. - Folk Group Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. - GriefShare
6:10 p.m. - Chime Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY, APRIL 27
9:15 a.m. - Mom’s Group

SATURDAY, APRIL 28
3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Confessions

SUNDAY, APRIL 29
Children’s Liturgy of the Word
11:15 a.m. - Children’s Choir Rehearsal
3:00 p.m. - Confirmation Mass with Bishop David Ricken.
Coffee and rolls will be served in Stingle Hall after Mass.

Pastoral Ponderings

Happy Easter!

Three years ago for Good Shepherd Sunday, I reflected on a frightening incident when I lost my then seven-year-old daughter at the park for about a half hour. (This year I’d be more likely to lose track of her under a pile of snow instead!)

Now this same little girl, having begged her heartless father for years, finally got a puppy. Despite my initial protests, she saved up for it herself, selling homemade dog biscuits, and she’s indeed proving to be quite responsible. The best part has been watching her attempts to train the rambunctious little creature: pure comedy gold. She can’t understand why the puppy doesn’t listen right away. Slowly but surely, though, with a lot of repetition, behaviors are improving. The puppy has begun to recognize our daughter’s voice and that she is the source of food and affection.

“I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me... and I will lay down my life for the sheep.” This sense of knowing Jesus, and listening for His voice, gives great comfort and confidence amidst the dangers and the wolves of this world. He knows each of us, having called us by name in Baptism. More than anyone else, Jesus wants the very best for us. It’s our responsibility to listen to the Shepherd, especially when other voices may call us away from the fold.

Not unlike that little puppy (or a sheep), we are formed by the input and environment in which we spend the most time. We have to be accountable for how we fill our days and the voices we follow. For example, do I gravitate toward the evening news, or do I opt for the Good News? Do I reach first for social media, or for some inspirational reading? Do I build up others among my family or friends or co-workers, or do I give in to gossip or negativity?

“It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes,” proclaims the Psalmist. The guidance of this world is often like the hired man that Jesus warns against. Left to themselves, human beings are going to act in their own self-interest. Real servant leadership – laying down one’s life – is a rare thing. But as Christians, with the power of the Holy Spirit, this generosity of heart ought to be our trademark! It’s what makes the courageous witness of Peter and the Apostles so attractive. They put all their trust in the Lord, healing and praying and preaching, even in the face of opposition and persecution.

We gather for this Mass to bend once more to the voice of the Good Shepherd. We are called, not as sheep but rather “we are God’s children now.” We are fed at His table, and sent forth once more to bring His love to a world in need. As we grow in faith, holiness, and unity, may we follow His example in laying down our lives.

-Steve Pable, Pastoral Associate
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CFC NEWS
END OF THE YEAR High School class this Sunday.

END OF THE YEAR classes for grades 1-6 on Monday and Wednesday.

END OF THE YEAR EDGE class for Grades 7 and 8 on Wednesday.

Registration for the 2018/2019 CFC year will begin as soon as you receive your registration materials with the end of the year envelopes. They will be going home with your students at the second last class of the year. To receive the Registration Fee discount, you must register for next year by May 11, 2018.

Important dates coming up:
Apr. 28 Confirmation practice at 9:00 a.m.
Apr. 29 Sacrament of Confirmation at 3pm with Bishop Ricken
May 5/6 Sacrament of First Communion at all Masses.

“Daily Discipleship” News and Events for St. Gabriel Youth Ministry

“Who is Jesus?”
“What difference does He make in my life?”
“Why is sin such a big deal?”
“What does it mean to have a personal relationship with God?”

If you have ever asked yourself these questions or been asked by someone else and are not sure how to answer, please join us this Sunday, April 22nd as we break open the Kerygma Experience. Join us for a time of prayer, reflection, and contemplation alongside our high school freshmen and sophomores. We will meet from 6-7:30 pm in the Church. All members of the parish family are welcome to join. Parents of freshmen and sophomores are expected to attend along with their teen!

Thank you to everyone who has already donated towards our “Help the Homeless” drive. On April 24, Confirmation candidates will have the opportunity to learn from Deacon Tom what it means to put this work of mercy into action in our daily lives and bring Scripture to life. Teens will create hygiene packs and a sack lunch to give to the homeless in our community. Items needed to create these packs/lunches include: toothbrushes/toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, Kleenex, deodorant, socks, granola bars, applesauce/plastic spoons, water bottles, peanut butter, bread, raisins, small bags of chips/cookies, rain ponchos, cheese crackers, combs, bar soap. Items can be dropped off in the box by the CFC office until April 23rd.

Thank you for your generosity!

Please keep our 36 Confirmation candidates, their sponsors, and their families in your prayers this week. Next Sunday, April 29th, our candidates, along with candidates from St. Margaret Mary, St. Mary/ St. John, and St. Patrick (Menasha) will be confirmed at 3 pm by Bishop Ricken! Come Holy Spirit!!

Brittany Schoeder,
Youth Ministry and Faith Formation Coordinator

Stewardship of Giving
April 14th/15th Envelopes mailed or dropped off- NO MASSES $3,470
YTD Envelope/Loose Giving/Electronic $676,815
YTD Budgeted Giving $690,800
Electronic Giving for April $13,650
Capital Improvement $988

As of March 31, 2018
YTD Total Parish Income $831,387
YTD Parish Expenses $816,992
Net Income $14,395

Bishop’s Appeal (Goal $75,207) $84,395

Our spring blizzard and Mass cancellations have set us back again on our giving. Hoping your generosity in giving this week will help us make up the loss.

Bishop David L. Ricken invites the faithful from across the Diocese to come together in thanksgiving to God during the 150th Jubilee by participating in a series of twelve special liturgical celebrations at the Mother Church of the Diocese, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Green Bay. The liturgy for parish staff, volunteers & ministers is Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 4:00 pm in the cathedral. If you are a volunteer at St. Gabriel and would like to attend, please visit the diocesan website for more information and to order the tickets. http://www.gbdio.or/jubilee2018

The Altar Candles burn for the month of April in loving memory of Cory Eake at the request of Doug, Lupe & Andrea Eake.
Mass Servers
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - A. & M. Malcore
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - J. Pirillo
10:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - J. Kroll, J. Koshollek

Readers & Commentators
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - A. Shelley, M. Widener
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - G. Elmer, L. MaBgwphews
10:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - B. Kroll, P. Brengosz

Sactristans
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - M. Malcore
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - P. Walbrun
10:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - L. Gritton

Greeters
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - A. Hopfensperger, B. Kempen, D. Kranzusch
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - C. Liebhauser, A. Solowicz, S. Van Frachen
10:00 a.m., Sunday, April 29 - B. Hanley, M. & G. Reckin, M., T. & K. Flanagan

Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - P. Makovec, C. Handler, M. Kriz, M. Kalaus, T. & L. Gritton, G. Juneau, H. Miller, B. Labre
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - J. Buhl, D. & B. Koller, P. Walbrun, D. Youngquist, N. Handevoldt, T. Gritton, D. Matthews, C. Liebhauser
10:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - M. & S. Quinn, A. Jensen, P. Brown, T. & L. Gritton, B. & C. Kroll, N. Herrmann

Ushers
4:30 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 28 - P. Reich, W. Perket, J. Marx, A. Chipman, G. & M. Reckin
8:00 a.m., Sunday, Apr. 29 - R. Harpt, R. Fedenko, D. & E. Risgaard, P. Wolters, H. Jacobs, G. Hintz, P. Sprangers

Sacramental Life:
Registration of New Members: New members are welcome to the Parish and are asked to call the Office at 722-4914.
Baptisms: A class for those requesting Baptism is held once a month. Please call the Parish Office for dates and times, and to register. The next class is May 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Care Ministry: Please notify us at the Parish Office of your desire for prayers, home visits, Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, or simply a visit from a fellow parishioner. We are here to help you through your time of need.
Hospital Visitation: Please notify the Parish Office when you or someone you love enters the hospital. Fr. Larry and Steve Pable make regular visits to the area hospitals.
Marriages: Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance.
Prayer Chain: Call Kathleen at 725-7455 to add a name.
RCIA: Adults interested in becoming Catholic participate in the RCIA Process. Contact Lori Gritton at 585-9620.
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:15-4:00pm or by appointment.
St. Vincent de Paul Help line: 729-4571
24hour: Suicide Prevention Crisis Line, 920-233-7707
24 hour help: is available for unplanned pregnancy, call 731-4354

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St. Patrick’s Cash Back for Youth Program - St. Gabriel
Parish recently received a check from St. Patrick’s bookstore in the amount of $72 to be used for our Religious Education youth program. This program offers 10% of parishioners’ sales back to the parish. If shopping at St. Patrick’s bookstore, please be sure to mention St. Gabriel’s when you make a purchase!

Be My Witnesses: Equipping Catholics to share the Gospel.
Everyone has a faith story to share. Come learn how to effectively witness to others how Jesus is working in your life. Monday, April 23, 1:00-3:00pm or 6:00-8:00pm at Mount Tabor Center, Menasha. Free admission, no registration required. Visit www.bemywitness.org

Pasta Dinner & Cash Raffle to be held May 5th from 4:30 - 7:30pm in St Mary Gymnasium located at 528 Second St, Menasha. Only 750 tickets will be sold for $100 and can be split 4 ways and admits four to the Pasta Dinner. $15,000 is the Grand Prize. There are 2nd to 16th prize winnings ranging from $2,500 to $200.

SPIRITUS missionaries are young adults who give nine months of service to ignite the faith of our Catholic youth. They will be here next week to share how they are inspiring the youth of our parish and throughout Wisconsin. After their brief witness, they will invite parishioners to partner with their missionary efforts through prayer and financial support. We hope you will join in this vital mission of the Church.

Will You Help Us?

“Faith is God’s gift and it grows thanks to the faith and charity of evangelizers who witness to Christ.”
Pope Francis

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“Dear young people, do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you! Do not be afraid to dream of great things!” Pope Francis

Webster’s Dictionary defines talent as: “a special often athletic, creative, or artistic aptitude.” Creative aptitude. Artistic aptitude. Hmm. Numerous opportunities are waiting to be tapped into at St. Gabriel. Did you know that there are more than 14 various liturgical ministries, including our music ministry? So how can we encourage our young parishioners to offer their creative and artistic aptitude? Personal invitation! Take a moment to speak with your family member, or friend, or that person sitting next to you. Ask them if they have a talent they can share with their parish family. The skills they learn will help them throughout life. Invite them to share their “dream of great things”. Let’s not have any talents buried! Talents are gifts freely given by the Spirit that are meant to be shared. Let’s share our gifts with our family member, or friend, or that person sitting next to you. Ask them if they have a talent they can share with their parish family. The skills they learn will help them throughout life. Invite them to share their “dream of great things”.

Take a little time this Earth Day, April 22, to appreciate nature and all creation as Pope Francis wrote about it in Laudato Si’, “... creation can only be understood as a gift from the outstretched hand of the Father of all, and as a reality illuminated by the love which calls us together into universal communion (75)."

Please continue to show your love and support this Mother’s Day for moms staying at Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Shelter with a card or gift. Writing a note of encouragement can mean a lot to these women as they struggle to heal from abuse and care for their children. Any gift is welcome. Ideas are chocolates & tea, or bath gel & lotion. Your gifts and cards can help them feel special and loved. Place gifts and cards in the collection boxes in Stingle Hall by Sunday May 6th to be delivered on Mother’s Day. Thank you!

Social Concerns Committee

St. Mary Catholic Schools NEWS

SUMMER DAY CAMP - Children will participate in field trips, arts and crafts, drama, music, sports, picnics, world language and many more activities June 4 to August 24 Monday through Friday from 7:30am-5:30pm. Friendsday Wednesday is SMCS summer field trip program for children entering Kindergarten through 6th Grade. A variety of field trips are offered throughout the summer that are open to all students. Seats are limited. For details and a link to online registration, please click on Summer Childcare under SUMMER PROGRAMS at www.smcatholicschools.org, or contact Katie Weber at mailto:kweber@smcatholicschools.org Register by May 15 to guarantee space is available.

ADORATION HOUR - Please join us! On one Friday of each month, SMCS hosts Eucharistic Adoration at the high school chapel. We invite the community to sign up for a time slot to pray. You need not have children in our schools to participate! The Remaining date for this school year is May 11. Please contact Barb at dbunruh@earthlink.net for more information or sign up.

Summer STEM Camps - Camp Invention is a fun, hands-on week-long STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) camp each summer at SMCMS for students entering grades 1-6! Students entering grades 7-9 have the opportunity to be Counselors in Training. Invention Project is a fun, hands-on week-long STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) camp that is offered during the summer at SMCS for students entering grades 6-9! Visit campinvention.org for more information. If you have any questions email Christine Cedergren at christinecedergren@gmail.com

Spring Concerts - Please join St. Mary Catholic Schools for a concert this spring! All concerts take place at 6:30 p.m. at the Fine Arts Education Center, adjacent to the high school.

Tues., May 1 St. Gabriel K-5 Spring Concert
Mon., April 30 St. Mary K-5 Spring Concert
Thurs., May 3 St. Margaret Mary K-5 Spring Concert
Thurs., May 10 SMCS Elementary Band Concert
Tues., May 8 SMC Middle School Band & Choir Concert
Mon., May 7 SMC High School Band & Choir Concert

Zephyrs Community Players Show Auditions - The community is welcome to audition for the production of “Annie.” Open auditions will take place on May 12 from 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. The show will take place on July 19-22 at the Jane Bergstrom Fine Arts Education Center, adjacent to the high school, at 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah.

To find out more this week, check out the SMCS website at www.smcatholicschools.org/newsletters or the SMCS Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/TCCES

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IN SYMPATHY

Prayers & sympathy are offered for the families of Marie Miller & Jack Finch who were called home to the Lord. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace & glory.

Breakfast and Brunch Scrip Tip

Bacon and eggs, pancakes and sausages, omelets, and skillet breakfasts - mmm! If you love to go out for breakfast or brunch in the Neenah/ Menasha area have you ever considered using a Scrip gift card to pay for your meal? We have gift cards in stock for Perkins and Starbucks, and others can be ordered including Four Seasons, Pappa’s Café and WeatherVane. Using a Scrip gift card costs you nothing extra! You don’t have to buy anything you don’t really want. You don’t have to pay more than you usually pay. You simply purchase a gift card at the Scrip table after Mass or in the parish office during the week and then use that gift card to pay for your meal at your favorite restaurant and the parish gets to share in the profit. So please use Scrip gift cards whenever possible. If you have any questions, just stop by and ask. Thank you for your continued support! Buy Scrip today!

Snow Removal after Blizzard of 2018

We realize that the snow removal job after the recent blizzard is not perfect. After speaking with our snow removal man, I was told the reason he had to leave a mountain of snow in the west lot is because the snow was so heavy he could only push it so far. And as he pushed the snow, he could not push it all the way onto the grass because the ground was too soft (spring ground and lots of spring snow make for disaster). Moving that mountain would be very costly to the parish and after the 3 days he has spent working here, we hate to have to pay for more snow removal. Hopefully with the street parking available on weekends, we will be able to accommodate our parking needs. We ask for your patience because it is warming up to the 50’s and hopefully will be melted down by next weekend.

We appreciate your understanding. If you look around town, we are not the only parking lot with mountains of snow. And look at all the roads… still lots of frozen slush to deal with when you drive. Be careful and pray for Spring!

Grief Share – St Gabriel Parish

This week’s topic: Heaven

Each week the group will watch helpful, comforting videos that cover topics essential to your recovery from the hurt of grief and loss. Each session features videos and encouraging group discussion.

Participants can start at anytime / Each week’s topic stands alone

Thursdays through May 3, 6:00–8:00 pm
See the parish website, call for more information or just join us!
722-4914 or brownmaryellen47@yahoo.com

INVESTIGATE YOUR FAITH!

CIAFMO is a Diocese of Green Bay Recognized Lay Ministry.

Grief Share invites you to
Rediscover God’s Channels of Saving Grace

“MERCY!” We cry out for it in childhood games, appeal for it in our prayers and beg for it at the time of death. So why do we reject God’s forgiveness offered through Confession and mock the idea of Purgatory? It’s time we come to our senses and reclaim this priceless gift Jesus paid for with His life!

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 7 PM

Xavier Fine Arts Theatre
1600 W Prospect Ave, Appleton

No tickets or reservations needed
Freewill offering encouraged
For details, google CIAFMO or call Susan at 920-450-3025

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