

IN LOVING MEMORY Betty & Leonard Jones, Larry, Michael, and Ken Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory	Health and Blessings for the Lachowicz Family	HEALTH AND BLESSINGS for Marion D'andrea
In Gratitude for our Family. Pete and Anna Tiutiunnyk	HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR ELEANOR VASKO	Health and Blessings For Joe and Van Ploegman
Pace e Bene (Peace and All Good) For information on living the Gospel life through the teachings of St. Francis call: Ann & Wayne Tao, OFS Secular Franciscans 702-362-7989	<i>"May the light of Christ shine brightly in your heart and home this Christmas."</i> ❤	Health and Blessings For Lopez-Babakhan Family
HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR Mark Elefante and Kathy Rice- Elefante	Health and blessings for Elijah Kreutzer	Health and Blessings for Carson Flores
Bulletin ads can be personalized for birthday and other occasions for only \$100.00 a year! Call the Parish Office at 702-810-9613	WE THANK ALL OUR PARISHIONERS WHO SPONSOR OUR WEEKEND SOCIALS	Health and Blessings For Jan Shadowen
HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR MYCHELLE & ALEX WEART	SELECT PROPERTIES GROUP Greta Young REALTOR/PROPERTY MANAGER NV Lic S.184268 I PM.0167492 greta@greta-young.com 2575 S. Cimarron Rd #104 Las Vegas, NV 89117	

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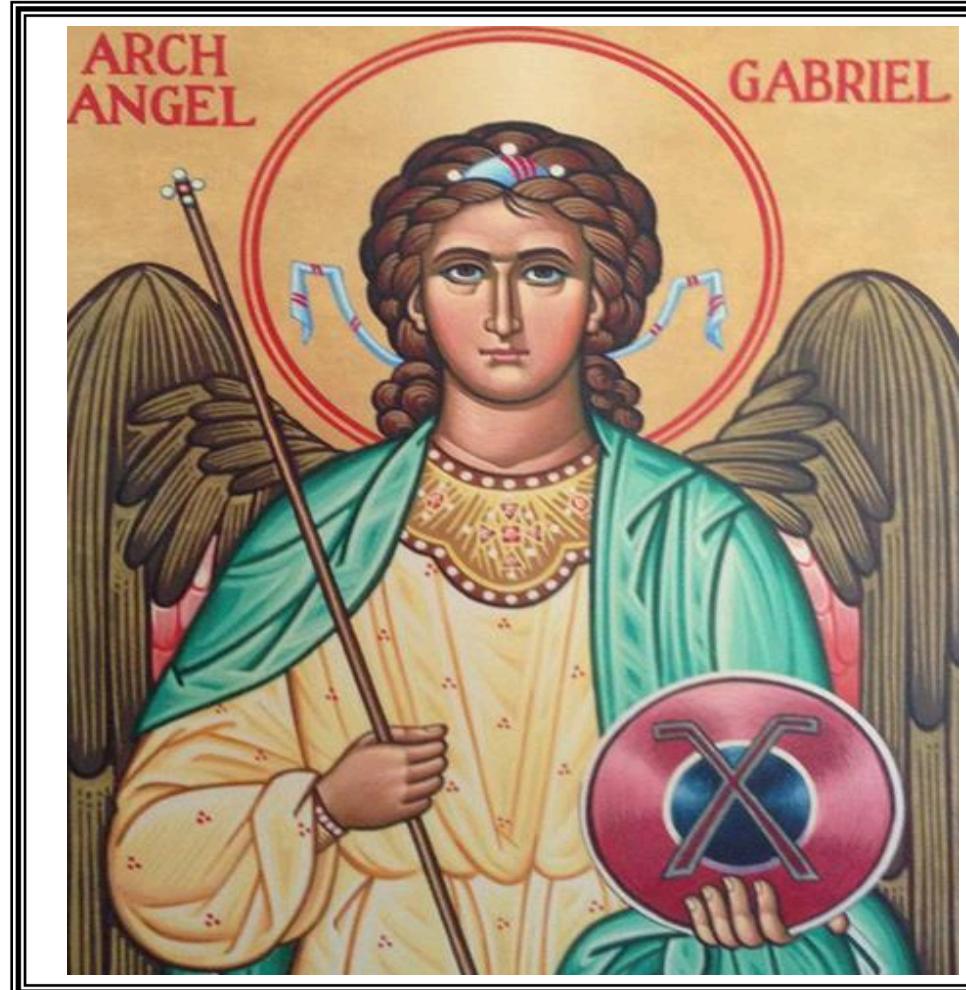
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The Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh

The Most Reverend William C. Skurla, D.D., Metropolitan Archbishop
Website: archpitt.org



**SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
21 DECEMBER 2025**

Divine Liturgy Each Saturday 4 pm & Sunday 10 am

St Gabriel The Archangel Byzantine Catholic Church

Served by

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WEEKLY SERVICES

SATURDAY

Divine Liturgy (Mass/Vigil) at 4:00 pm

SUNDAY

Third Hour at 9:45 am

Divine Liturgy (Mass) at 10:00 am

Holy Mystery of Penance

Forty-five minutes before Saturday Liturgy or by appointment.
Confessions NOT available before Sunday Liturgy.

Parish Advisory Council

The Parish Advisory Council is led by Father Marcus with council members;
Monica Lopez, Saul Ramos, Cheri Ervin and Christina Diaz.

We welcome any suggestions, comments and ideas that would help
our Parish grow and raise money.

Please contact us by email at sgabrielchurchboard@gmail.com

Finance Council

Please email the Financial Office for General questions regarding
financial matters, Church services, deliveries, purchasing .

Email Address: stgabrielfinance@yahoo.com

Mike Parven (310) 592-1849 (Financial Officer)

FATHER MARCUS' DAY OFF

**Mondays are Father Marcus' day off. Please do not call or visit the Rectory
on Monday unless it is a true emergency.**

Thank You!

<p>In Loving Memory for Ruth Georgia and Vivian Blaine</p>	<p>THIS SPACE OPEN FOR RENT Only \$100 a year Contact Jan 702-810-9613</p>	<p>Health and Blessings for Irene Maskasziw</p>
<p>HEALTH & BLESSINGS for Deborah Pietrzak</p>	<p>Health and Blessings for the Porras (Bonilla) Family</p>	<p>Health and Blessings Moses and Josie Pastor</p>
<p>GOOD HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR ALL CHILIPKA, CAFFARELLI, MESZAROS, OLTAY, SIMON, SOLT AND VASH FAMILIES IN THE USA AND HUNGARY</p>	<p>HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR F. MICHAEL & JOYCE O'BRIEN</p>	<p>Health and Blessings for Kenneth and Cheri Ervin</p>
<p>Health and Blessings for Michael & Ruth Parven</p>	<p>HEALTH & BLESSINGS FOR FR. MARCUS THROUGH WHOM THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS</p>	<p><i>Health and Blessings for Irene Williams</i></p>
<p>HEALTH AND BLESSINGS FOR REVEREND DEACON BRETT KRAUTSTRUNK</p>	<p>HEALTH & BLESSINGS FOR Alberta Scott & Family</p>	<p>Health and Blessings for Cindy Bonko & Jan Manning</p>
<p>PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTIONS</p>		

The Gospel of Luke: a commentary & meditation

"The genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David"

(Please reference a bible for the full Gospel of Matthew 1: 1-25)

Meditation: Do you believe that God will fulfill every promise he has made? The prophets Jeremiah and Isaiah spoke words of hope in a hopeless situation for Israel. The Davidic dynasty was corrupt and unfit for a Messianic King. Apostates like King Ahaz (2 Kings 16) and weaklings like Zedekiah (Jeremiah 38) occupied the throne of David. How could God be faithful to his promise to raise up a righteous King who would rule forever over the house of David? The prophets trusted that God could somehow "raise up a righteous shoot" from the stump of Jesse (Isaiah 2:11). Like the prophets we are called "in hope to believe against hope" (Romans 4:18) that God can and will fulfill all his promises.

Mary had to face an enormous challenge to her faith and trust in God and to the faith of her family and Joseph, the man she chose to marry. She was asked to assume a burden of tremendous responsibility. It had never been heard of before that a child could be born without a natural father. Mary was asked to accept this miraculous exception to the laws of nature. That required faith and trust in God and in his promises. Second, Mary was not yet married. Pregnancy outside of wedlock was not tolerated in those days. Mary was only espoused to Joseph, and such an engagement had to last for a whole year. She was asked to assume a great risk. She could have been rejected by Joseph, by her family, by all her own people. Mary knew that Joseph and her family would not understand without revelation from God. She nonetheless believed and trusted in God's promises.

Joseph, a just and God-fearing man, did not wish to embarrass or punish his espoused wife, Mary when he discovered that she was pregnant. To all appearances she had broken their solemn pledge to be faithful and chaste to one another. Joseph, no doubt took this troubling matter to God in prayer. He was not hasty to judge or to react with hurt and anger. God rewarded him not only with guidance and consolation, but with the divine assurance that he had indeed called Joseph to be the husband of Mary and to assume a mission that would require the utmost faith, confidence, and trust in Almighty God. Joseph believed in the divine message to take Mary as his wife and to accept the child in her womb as the promised Messiah. Like Mary, Joseph is a model of faith for us. He is a faithful witness and servant of God's unfolding plan of redemption. Are you ready to believe in the promises of God, even when faced with perplexing circumstances and what seems like insurmountable problems? God has not left us alone, but has brought us his only begotten Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Let us celebrate Christmas, the feast of the Incarnation, with joyful hearts and let us renew our faith and hope in God and in his redeeming work.

"Lord Jesus, you came to save us from sin and the power of death. May I always rejoice in your salvation and trust in your plan for my life".

Go to | [Gospel of Matthew](#) | [Daily Readings & Meditations](#) | [Words of Life](#) (c) 2002 Don Schwager

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Charter Protection of Children and Young People

Adopted by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops, The Eparchy, within all its parishes, institutions and programs, is committed to assuring a safe environment in ministry for its children and young people that conforms to the Charter requirements. For information regarding the Eparchial Safe Environment Program, please contact:

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday, December 20th

4:00 PM – Divine Liturgy (Mass)

Health & Blessings for Claudette Lachowicz
(Happy Birthday By Lachowicz Family)

Sunday, December 21st

10:00 AM - Divine Liturgy (Mass)

+Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory for Giacomo Monopoli I
by Giacomo Monopoli II

7 DAY CANDLE OFFERING

OPEN

14 DAY CANDLE OFFERINGS

December 1st thru December 14th
December 15th thru December 31st
Peace in Israel
Peace in Ukraine

NEXT WEEK'S GOSPEL READING

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 2:13-23.

CANDLE OFFERINGS

Use the specially marked envelopes located at the back of the Church for Altar Candles or Eternal Light Candles. Candles will be lit on Saturdays, and remain lit for the duration of their offering.

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

One Saturday or Sunday Intention per week is reserved for "Parishioners of the Parish". Please contact the Parish Office at 702.361.2431 for available Liturgy intention dates and times.

**Please make checks payable to: Fr. Marcus Gomori
NOT St. Gabriel's.**

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

2nd weekend of the Month

There are green Love Thy Neighbor envelopes in the 2nd weekend of each month to help serve the less fortunate in our community. Thank you for your charitable support of this ministry.

HOLY WATER

Available in the rear of the Church.

Please remember St. Gabriel's in your Estate and Will Planning. Thank You!

PARISH NEWS

LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Lord, look upon your servants with eyes of mercy. May your healing hand rest upon them. May your life-giving powers flow into every cell of their bodies and into the depths of their souls, cleansing, purifying and restoring them to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom.
Amen.

William Ralf
Deb & Joe Guarino
Cindy Bonko
Betty Chilipka

Bev, Joe & Angel Guarino
Alexander Gomori
John Krobock
Marion D'Andrea
Carrie Alumbaugh

Frank & Carolyn Gervasio
Gregory Gomori
Bill Kviz
Ann & Wayne Tao
Peggy Randell

Sara Beth Hopkins
Amy Cannatelli
Jan Shadowen
Tommy & Rosie Morgan



Christmas Eve (Dec 24th) Liturgy at 6:00pm
Christmas Day (Dec 25th) Liturgy at 10:00am



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week's Offerings: 12/13-14 of 2025

Donations: \$ 1,855.00 Candles: \$ 27.00 SAT 29 & SUN 37

Our parish needs \$3,000.00 per week to meet expenses.

Thank you for your generosity and support of Saint Gabriel's especially in these difficult economic times.

It is encouraging to see families making an effort to see that our parish meets its bills.

Thank you also for the good number of people that mail-in and include the parish in their financial planning.

Sincerely, Very Rev. Marcus Gomori, Pastor+



COMMUNITY

The Fraternity of St. Margaret of Cortona of the Secular Franciscan Order is a community of people dedicated to living the gospel life through the teachings of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Clare with service to the poor and homeless. We strive to live promises of poverty, obedience and chastity.

Is the Holy Spirit calling you to the life of a Secular Vocation?
Contact Ann Tao, OFS at 702-362-7989



COFFEE SOCIALS

HOSTS-Thank you for serving the parish community.



To reserve the hall or to host a social or private event
Please call or text Monica at (702) 355-2247
to avoid double booking



THE GIFT SHOP



OPEN BEFORE AND AFTER ALL LITURGIES.

STOP BY AND DO YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING HERE!

LOTS OF NEW DIAMOND ART, ALL HANDCRAFTED BY JAN SHADOWEN,
AND MANY RELIGIOUS ITEMS THAT MAKE GREAT GIFT IDEAS.
PLEASE CONSIDER DOING YOUR GIFT SHOPPING FOR ANY OCCASION
TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR SAINT GABRIEL..



BEWARE OF CHARITY SCAM!

Suspicious text, emails, Instagrams are circulating that appear to be coming from Fr. Marcus Gomori to our parishioners requesting donations.
Please verify it's legitimacy by contacting Fr. Marcus at (702) 361-2431
or in person before/after liturgy.

