



Good morning families!

I pray that you are all doing well and growing closer to God during this holy season!

Thank you for the tremendous response to help with the spiritual bouquet for the Balint family! It turned out beautifully! (photo attached) I included a message from everyone that said:

I prayed...

So many silent prayers for your intentions and for the repose of the soul of Michelle

...for you.

Much love and sympathy, the Catholic Community of St. Gabriel

Thank you also for the great response to join teams to plan a St. Gabriel Family Skate Night and Mother-Daughter Pajama Party! Details to attend are below!

Join us for fellowship, faith and fun!

The full St. Gabriel calendar of Lenten & Easter activities is below.

Family Prayer Nights during Lent are Thursday

evenings. A family of four (two adults and two children), a church building, a pair of hands in prayer, and a string of red beads (rosary).

Families are invited to attend and participate in the Thursday, 7pm Masses and stay to pray a rosary after at ~7:30pm. Opportunities are available to sign up as greeters, lectors, and/or gift bearers.

St. Gabriel Fish Fry Fridays - Two Fridays left: March 15th &



22nd!

Help is still needed on both nights to bus tables and empty trash cans, especially March 22nd. One adult must volunteer with every three children volunteering. My husband, Jim, could also use a buddy's help in the Fry Room on the 22nd! This year the fish fry is donating funds to the St. Gabriel Youth Ministry.

Details and sign up: [Fish Fry - St. Gabriel Church - Concord TWP, OH \(st-gabriel.org\)](http://st-gabriel.org)

Auxiliary Bishop Woost is visiting St. Gabriel! Monday, March 18th, 7 -



9pm

Our Bishop presents: Real Presence & Eucharistic Living – Insights from the Church's Saints & Mystics.

I am planning to attend! If you would like to sit together, please send me a message!

Sunday, March 24th: Palm Sunday - Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship after all



Masses!

Living Stations of the Cross by the St. Gabriel youth at



1pm
world."

"Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the

Other performance times: March 27 (before Tenebrae at 6pm) or March 29 (Good Friday, 12pm) - Family friendly dramatization

We are helping with donuts but we'll try to make it up in time to sit toward the front! Look for us there!

St. Gabriel Family Skate Night, Sunday, April 7th, 5 - 7pm, City Skate



Due to a generous donation from the Diocese Office of Marriage and Family ministry, admission is FREE! Skate rental is \$4, if needed, and concessions are available!

Flyer attached, sign up here: [HERE](#)

Infant & Toddler Playgroup meeting Thursdays 10am to



Kim and Angelo welcomed baby Lorenzo on February 18th! He's so sweet and has a full head of hair! They are doing well! Thank you to Connie who helped while she takes some maternity leave! Prayers for Connie now while she recovers from shoulder surgery. Playgroup is taking a break for the rest of March and hoping to begin meeting again in April after St. Gabriel's Easter break!



Save the Date! Friday, May 17th, Mother-Daughter Pajama Party, 6 -





Save the Date! Sunday, October 27th, Orchard Hills Park Shelter has been reserved for a Fall Family Gathering! This is down the hill from Patterton's



Farm. I will need a planning team later this year!

New article: [Raising Catholic kids: New study suggests what successful parents have in common | Catholic News Agency](#)

Did you know? You can vacation nearby with your family at a place called **Catholic Familyland!**

JUNE 8 – 14 | JUNE 15 – 21 | JUNE 29 - JULY 5 | JULY 6 - 12 | JULY 13-19 | JULY 27 - AUG. 2 | AUGUST 3 - 9

Located about 2 hours South of us is the beautiful campus where you can attend a week-long Catholic family camp! Cottages are waitlisted but cabins and other options are available!

Promo video: [Catholic Family Camp Vacation in Ohio \(Holy Family Fests\) - YouTube](#)

Testimonies: [A God-Centered Family Vacation in Ohio: "Catholic Familyland" \(youtube.com\)](#)

All the details: [Holy Family Fests - AFC](#)

Have a blessed week! I hope to see you soon!

Your sister in Christ,

Sarah Smith

Cell - call/text (513) 600 - 3134

[Family Connections - St. Gabriel Church - Concord TWP, OH \(st-gabriel.org\)](#)



Lenten Gatherings

There are many opportunities for prayer, fasting, giving, and heart felt faith formation~Join us!

Ash Wednesday
Feb 14: 7a, 10a,
12n, 5p, 7p

**Lenten Family
Prayer Evenings**
Thursdays during
Lent,
Feb 15-March 21,
Starts with 7p Mass

Fish Fry Fridays
Feb 16-March 22,
5-7p

Stations of the Cross
during Lent
Mondays at 11a
Fridays at 7p

**Eucharistic
Adoration &
Sunday Night
Prayer**
Feb 18, Mar 3, 10,
17, 7-8:15p
(not on 2/25)

**Bishop Woost:
The Eucharist**
March 18, 7-9p

Bible Study
Feb 19, 26, Mar 4

Confirmation
Feb 25, 2p & 5p

**Diocesan Evening of
Reconciliation**
Feb 28, 5-8p

Communal Penance
March 11, 7p

Palm Sunday
March 23, 5p, Vigil
March 24, 7:30a, 9:30a,
Living Stations of
the Cross, 1p

Reconciliation
March 25, 7p
March 26, 11a

**Living Stations of
the Cross**
March 27, 6p

Tenebrae
March 27, 8p
Reconciliation
March 27, 8:45p

Holy Thursday
March 28
Morning Prayer, 9a
Mass of the Lord's
Supper, 7p

Good Friday
March 29
Morning Prayer, 9a

**Living Stations of
the Cross, noon**

**Celebration of the
Lord's Passion, 3p**

Holy Saturday
March 30
Morning Prayer, 9a
Blessing of Food
March 30, 1:30p

Please note:
No Reconciliation
on Sat, March 30

Easter Vigil
March 30, 9p

Easter Sunday
Easter Mass
Celebrations
March 31, 7:30a,
9:30a, 11:30a

Easter Monday
Mass, 9a

**For Updates
& Details:**
St-Gabriel.org