Announcements

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APOLOGETICS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Class is cancelled until further notice.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

It mees **EVERY SUNDAY** between **9am and 10:50am.** Please let Fr Leung know if you are interested for enrolment.

PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK WINDOWS AND DOORS TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE PROPERLY LOCKED BEFORE LEAVING. THANK YOU!

NEXT MONTHLY COMMUNITY LUNCH Will be held on Laetare Sunday **10th March** after 10am Mass.

Please bring a plate to share with the community!

FR LEUNG IS CURRENTLY ON HOLIDAY until **14th March**. If a priest is needed, please contact Fr Boyce. Confessions will only be heard before and after Mass on Sundays.

ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed according to the simple rite after Mass on Thursdays in Lent until 8:30am.

LATIN GRAMMAR CLASS

For Beginners— It meets EVERY SATURDAY between 10:30AM and 11:30AM.

CASH DONATIONS <u>18 Feb — 24 Feb</u> First collection: \$ 1751.40 Second collection: \$ 553.75 Building fund: \$ n/a THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SATURDAY CLASS Topic: Spiritual Theology Class will be cancelled in the next few weeks, it will resume on 14th April (Saturday) at 10:30am. Next Topic: Temptations

CATECHISM CLASS FOR ADULTS Class will be cancelled in the next few weeks until 12th April (Thurs).

Next Chapters: 42-45 Topic: 7 gifts of the Holy Ghost People who are discerning to become Catholic or hoping to review their Catechism are most welcome!

LEGION OF MARY It will meet EVERY MONDAY at 6:30pm. Visitors are welcome!

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25th February 2024 Second Sunday of Lent

CALENDAR

DATE	FEAST	LOCATION	
Mon <i>,</i> 26 Feb	Monday in 2nd Week of Lent	Garran. 7AM (Low)	
Tue, 27 Feb	Tuesday in 2nd Week of Lent	Garran. 7AM (Low)	
Wed, 28 Feb	Wednesday in 2nd Week of Lent	Garran. 7AM (Low)	
Thu, 29 Feb	Thursday in 2nd Week of Lent	Garran. 7AM (Low), followed by Adoration of the B.S.	
Fri, 1 Mar	Friday in 2nd Week of Lent (First Friday)	Garran. <u>5:45PM</u> (Stations of the Cross), followed by SUNG Mass at 6:30PM and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 8:30PM <u>.</u>	
Sat, 2 Mar	Saturday in 2nd Week of Lent (First Saturday)	Garran. 8AM (Rosary) 9AM (Low)	
Sun, 3 Mar	2nd Sunday of Lent	Garran—8AM (Low) 10AM (Sung)	

DAY OF RECOLLECTION in Lent

Topic: 7 Last words on the cross

	10:30am	Opening prayer
Date:	10:45am	FIRST CONFERENCE
	11:30am	Meditation
9th March 2024	12:00pm	Angelus
Saturday	12:05pm	Lunch
	12:35pm	SECOND CONFERENCE
Venue:	1:15pm	Meditation
Sts Peter and Paul Church	2:15pm	Benedication
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SAINT OF THE WEEK St Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin (Feast day: 28th Feb)

Francisco Possenti was born in Assisi on March 1, 1838, the eleventh child of Sante Possenti and Agnes Frisciotti.

The first year of his life was spent away from his family with a nursing woman who cared for him because his mother was unable. In 1841 Sante moved the family to Spoleto where he was appointed magistrate. In that same year, the youngest Possenti child died at just six months old; Francis' nine-year old sister, Adele, soon followed. Just days later, his heartbroken mother was too called to eternal life. Francis had lost his mother at just 4 years old.

Tragedy continued to plague the family during his youth. In 1846 Francis' brother, Paul, was killed in the Italian war with Austria. Another brother, Lawrence, later took his own life. Such events, however, did not rob Francis of his spirit and cheerfulness. During his formative years, Francis attended the school of the Christian brothers and then the Jesuit college in Spoleto. He was lively, intelligent and popular at school. At sixteen, he suffered a life-

threatening illness. Praying for a cure, Francis promised to become a religious. With recovery, however, Francis quickly forgot his promise. But God's call would not be denied, and Francis soon turned his heart to the Congregation of the Passionists.

Sante Possenti was less than pleased with his teenage son's decision. Determined to show Francis the joys of a secular life of theater and society parties, Sante continued to hope Francis would find pleasure in a social life. But the young man was not to be dissuaded. Immediately after completion of his schooling, he left for the Passionist novitiate in Morrovalle. In the novitiate, he cultivated a great love for Christ Crucified. Francis received the Passionist habit on September 21, 1856, which that year was the Feast of the Sorrowful Mother. He was given the name: Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother. A year later he took his vows. His monastic life preparing for the priesthood made Gabriel a secluded, non-public figure. His writings reflect his close relationship with God and His mother. These were difficult and tumultuous times in Italy. The new Italian government issued decrees closing religious Orders in certain provinces of the Papal States. The new Passionist province of Pieta, to which Gabriel belonged, was in the center of this chaos. By 1860, the Passionists had ceased apostolic work due to the growing threats surrounding the community. During this period various Italian provinces were overrun by soldiers who robbed and terrorized the towns with little mercy.

The people of Isola would always remember him as "their Gabriel." Struck with tuberculosis at the age of 24, Gabriel died on February 27, 1862, before his ordination to the priesthood. His fidelity to prayer, joyfulness of spirit and habitual mortifications stand out in his otherwise ordinary life. Pope Benedict XV canonized Gabriel in 1920 and declared him a patron of Catholic youth. His patronage is also invoked by the Church for students, seminarians, novices and clerics. Thousands of divine favors are attributed to his intercession with Christ Crucified and the Sorrowful Mother Mary.

