



# South Hills Catholics

## Parish Grouping 218

*Four parishes joined in faith, hope & love.*

### Organizations Details - Social, Service & Fundraising

*Contacts can be reached via their associated rectory phone numbers shown.*

#### **Altar & Sanctuary Society**

Volunteers gather every Friday after the 7:30 am Mass to dust, vacuum and water plants in the church. They also help decorate for holidays throughout the year. Volunteers follow a schedule, and usually spend 1 - 1 1/2 hours taking care of some of our Churches' needs.

**Contact:** ? Name - Nativity (412-655-3000)  
Pat Young - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)  
Pat Young - St. Germaine (412-833-0661) - every Friday morning  
Rita Heberle - St. Valentine (412-835-4415) - part of the Women's Guild activities

#### **Athletic Association**

The St. Gabriel Athletic Association (SGAA) organizes and funds the athletic programs of our school. SGAA officers and directors include 11 parishioners who manage fund-raising and sports program support; they are elected for a two-year term. More information is available at [the school website](#).

**Contact:** Matt Joyce - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

#### **BINGO**

Bingo is run by volunteers who work: in the kitchen, on the Bingo floor and stage, and in the office. It generally occurs every Tuesday at 7:15 pm in St. Valentine's Frawley Hall and every Thursday at 7 pm in the St. Gabriel parish hall. Two Friday "Super BINGO" evenings (8 pm start) - one in the spring and another in the fall - replace the St. Gabriel Thursday Bingo's those weeks. There is NO BINGO on Holy Thursday, Thanksgiving and the Thursdays before Christmas and New Years Day. More details are in the [St. Gabriel BINGO Info sheet](#) and on the [St. Valentine website under "Organizations."](#)

**Contact:** Ed Henke - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)  
William (Bill) Hirsh - St. Valentine (412-835-4415)

#### **Christian Family Movement**

The Christian Family Movement is a national network of parish/neighborhood small groups of families. The CFM group consists of five to seven families with the adults meeting regularly in each other's homes, or at the parish. Through the use of CFM's many different programs, members discuss what they have observed in their own family or community, judge what they have seen in the light of Jesus' teaching, and then act to change things for the better.

**Contact:** Russ & Sharon Mingo - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)



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The Confraternity of Christian Mothers is one of our two parish groups of women who sponsor fund-raising events and coordinate corporal/spiritual works of mercy. Our works include year-round communication with home-bound parishioners (via "thinking of you" cards and twice-annual delivery of flowers and mementos from our school children), annual Genesis collection, World Day of Prayer event, a Lenten Night of Reflection, parish receptions for 40 Hours and Anointing of the Sick services.

[Click for more information.](#)

**Contact:** Debbie Cerminaro or Donna Szymanski - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

#### **Golf League**

#### **Men's Club**

The St Gabriel's Men's Club meets monthly on Sunday evenings to combine social and faith-based camaraderie among men of our parish over the age of eighteen. A typical meeting includes a guest speaker followed by a light meal and beverages. In addition, after our nightly speaker, attendees are welcome to partake in social activities such as bag toss, cards, etc. It is a great way to meet, relax and socialize with fellow men from our Parish.

**Contact:** Bill Brennan - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

#### **Respect Life**

A group of dedicated parishioners who organize parish participation in the annual March-for-Life in Washington, D.C., promote local semi-annual Life Chain events and 40 Days-for-Life campaigns, issue the Parish Life News monthly, and provide pro-life notes for the weekly parish bulletin.

**Contact:** Pat Barnett - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

#### **Scouts**

Youth from Kindergarten to the fifth grade are invited to join Cub Scouts and participate in a variety of educational age-appropriate activities such as; games, hikes, community service projects, den meetings, pack meetings, camping, and the coveted Pinewood Derby. Cub Scout Pack 288 has been a part of the parish since 1953

**Contacts:** Tim Fox (Cubs Scouts / Webelos) - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

Girl Scouts have separate leaders for each grade - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)



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#### **Seniors Group**

Meets generally on the last Tuesday of each month to provide elderly parishioners the opportunity to attend Mass (typically at 12:30 pm), receive communion and enjoy a meal before playing bingo.

**Contact:** Bernice McCort - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

#### **South Park Seniors**

The South Park Seniors are seeking new members. The group meets for fellowship at Nativity Church, on the first Wednesday of each month in the cafeteria. Light refreshments, a business meeting & Bingo are featured. The gathering starts at 11:30 A.M.

**Contact:** Don - Nativity (412-884-4766)

#### **Women's Guild**

The Women's Guild is another parish group of women who sponsor fund-raising events and coordinate corporal/spiritual works of mercy. We want to promote the Spiritual, Temporal and Social well-being of all women young and old. It is our desire to be more than "a Club or a group of Christian Mothers"; we needed to expand our self-definition. We seek to welcome women of all ages and interests. Most of all we invite other women to join us as we redirect and redefine our Mission.

[Click for more information.](#)

**Contact:** Rita Heberle - St. Valentine (412-835-4415)

#### **Youth Groups**

Parish volunteers work alongside youth ministers in guiding high school-aged parishioners and their friends who meet monthly in corporal works of mercy and faith formation programs. Purely social gatherings are also a key part of this ministry. Other activities include serving lunch at homeless shelters, making "care packages" for homeless teenagers, attending presentations by seminarians and clergy about service programs across the Diocese.

**Contacts:** Maria and Carl Shoemaker - St. Gabriel (412-881-8115)

Laura Dern - St. Valentine (412-835-4415)