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Baptism brought me grace. AM 820 turned up my faith.

Maria Cook found her way back to the Catholic Church in 2009, all the way from Argentina to Ohio, thanks to the Holy Spirit and her grandmother. "Baptism brought grace and then St. Gabriel Catholic Radio helped me turn up my faith," says Maria. When she started listening to AM 820, her faith journey took on a whole new dimension

"Now I'm addicted to AM 820! I start every day with the Son Rise Morning Show. I turn it on during my commute and then keep it on."

One day, driving to work, I turned to AM 820 Son Rise Morning Show and was hooked. Son Rise explains Catholic concepts in doses that I can handle -- the Eucharist, Mary, the saints, the Bible, especially the mature, deep understanding of Scripture! Every day now, I start my day listening to the Son Rise Morning Show on my commute to work. As I organize my workday in the office, I follow the show by putting on headphones. — Maria

Maria was born into a very Catholic family in Argentina that turned to charismatic Protestantism.

"One of my earliest memories was my mom pulling me and my sister in a little red wagon to the church for daily Mass in Canton, Ohio," recalls Maria. She's still asking what happened to the Catholic devotion of her family. They all ended up in an evangelical religion.

Except Maria.

Maria's mom - a Canton girl in South America

Maria's mother was raised in a very Catholic community in Canton, Ohio. In the 1960s, mom spent a year as an exchange student in Córdoba, Argentina. There, she fell in love with a "Cordobés" (a man from the city of Córdoba). Mom was a devout, practicing Catholic and married her Argentine sweetheart who was also Catholic. When Maria was one year old, the family moved from Córdoba back to Canton, Ohio. Eventually, the family grew to three boys and two girls.

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of heart



From our Listeners

"I LOVE listening to St. Gabriel Catholic Radio! I've been a fallen away Catholic for several years and am moving back to the Church due to the wonderful 'food' I receive during my daily commute to and from work from your station. It was a lucky day for me when I found AM 820!"
 — Karen, a faithful listener and volunteer.

Volunteer spotlight - Sue Campbell



Sue Campbell volunteers Thursday mornings at AM 820. She answers the phones and does whatever else God asks her and AM 820 to do. "I LOVE the station," says Sue. Sue has helped AM 820 gain awareness by contacting parishes in Dayton, Springfield, Lima, and Findley.

Sue's advice to AM 820 listeners: "Listen regularly, tell your friends to listen, and support St. Gabriel Radio financially."

Thank you, Evans Carpet Junkyard

Get to know this faithful AM 820 business supporter. "People often tell us at Evans Carpet Junkyard, 'I heard about Evans of AM 820!'" says Diana Evans, owner.

Diana and her daughter, Ann, point out that AM 820 and parish bulletins are their only advertising. Says Ann, "Mom and Dad felt so strongly about AM 820 that they put the radio station advertising right into their business plan."

Diana and Larry Evans started the business in order to support their family of nine children, all grown now, "and wonderful, good people," affirms Mom Diana. Last November, the Evans family lost their Dad. Please keep Larry Evans in your prayers.

Local programing: The Catholic Doctors



Drs. Will Turek and Michael Parker, practitioners in Central Ohio, engage listeners in informative discussions that cover many fascinating medical and ethical topics – all in the light of Church teaching. Saturdays at 4 p.m. Replays Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

Complete list of AM 820 Programming

For the full program, visit us online at: StGabrielRadio.com/schedule.html



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Somehow, something happened in the family. For some reason, they didn't find what they were looking for in their Catholic parish in Canton, Ohio. The 70s was also the beginning of an unraveling of catechesis in the Catholic Church that has left many people adrift. Maria's parents began to try different churches in Canton, from Fellowship and Gospel churches, to World Harvest and the Vineyard of Columbus plus others along the way. Maria tried many more churches than that.

Maria - a Catholic girl becomes Protestant

So, as a child, Maria became very familiar with Jesus and the Bible.

"But some of my grandparents, aunts, and uncles were practicing Catholics. So whenever I could sneak out with my grandmother or aunt to Mass, I loved it!" Maria's Argentine grandparents spent long visits with the family in Ohio, so Maria had opportunities to go to Mass with her Argentine grandmother.

Maria married Jason, a young man who wasn't attached to any faith. Now, Maria and Jason have been married for over a decade and have one daughter, Catherine, who is nine years old. She's named after St. Catherine of Sienna. Today, it amazes Maria that, as a protestant, she would name her daughter after a saint!

God had plans for them

Two Catholic friends, Emily and Christina, helped Maria rediscover the Church and her friend Lee helped her discover AM 820. Catholic radio has given Maria a lifeline to understanding Catholicism.

"I was searching for a church. It was Emily and Christina's humanness and faithfulness that brought me home to the Church. They shared their faith with me in sincerity and kindness," according to Maria. They invited her to attend Mass at the Cathedral and St. Andrews. Then, Maria and Jason discovered St. John Neumann parish in Sunbury, Ohio. There, Maria, Jason, and Catherine found a special, warm, heartfelt welcome."

Every day, St. Gabriel Radio puts God's words into bite-sized pieces that I can chew on and swallow. Catholic radio programs really nourish me! AM 820 programs impart what the Mass is offering us and what the Pope and the Magisterium are trying to impart to us. — Maria

AM 820 helps Maria form her conscience

Maria is definitely turning up her faith with Catholic teachings that she's discovered through AM 820. She values this new, profound way of looking at how to live through EWTN radio hosts Ray Guarendi (weekdays at 1 p.m.) and Teresa Tomeo (weekdays at 9 a.m.) as well

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our local show hosts Drs. Parker and Turek (Sunday at 9:30 a.m.). She's taken to heart teachings like, "Be fruitful and multiply."

St. Gabriel Radio is enriching Maria's faith and family with an understanding of why and how we believe the teachings of the Church.



It helps her form her conscience and her political voice. It gives her guideposts for how she can live a more holy life and seek the things of God.

As a young evangelical in Columbus, Maria volunteered at Rosemont School for Girls giving talks about purity and pro-life. But she always felt that something, a life-giving principle, was missing from these talks. In her Catholic faith walk, through programs like Faith Alive (weekdays at 8 a.m.), she is discovering the missing link: Mary and the Holy Family. "Faith Alive gives me so much about what a woman and a man – a husband and wife – should be for the family!" says Maria, "How can a young girl live purity if there's no example?"

"At St. John Neumann parish in Sunbury, we found the path that really brought our family and values together. And with St. Gabriel Radio, we are deepening this new-found faith. Jason and I are two people trying to help each other get to Heaven. Our marriage is stronger. Our pastor, Fr. David Sizemore, loves us. And we've found the right path," concludes Maria.

AM 820 has introduced me to deeper meanings of Church teachings and helped me find peace, more love for Jesus, and less cynicism. — Maria

St. Gabriel Catholic Radio family of Faith

"St. Gabriel Catholic Radio is a family of Faith to me. A place to feel anchored. Authentically Catholic. Home."
 — Leroy, a faithful listener

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NEW! You can inspire others

Has listening to St. Gabriel Radio led you to deepening of faith?

If so, share your enthusiasm with others by calling our new Witness Line. It's just like leaving a phone message. Simply share what AM 820 means to you. It doesn't have to be an earth-shattering testimony so take a deep breath and call. You can do this!

So call 855-5Witness and let your voice proclaim the Good News to people all over Ohio.



Fall Spirit Drive: September 26 - 28

Have you wanted to evangelize but haven't known where to start? Consider volunteering during the St. Gabriel Radio Fall Spirit Drive. It's fun and there's plenty of great food! We need help answering phones, with food donations, and with off-site and on-site prayers. For more details call (614) 459-4820 or email us at Info@StGabrielRadio.com.

We need Sustaining Members

AM 820 needs just 15 Sustaining Members per parish to remain healthy. We currently have 7 per parish so we need **Advocates** to help us get the word out. St. Gabriel will provide all the tools you need. It takes just a few minutes to help:

1. Prayerfully identify four friends who love the Catholic Faith and/or AM 820.
2. Invite them and encourage them to become Sustaining Members.
3. Send them a letter including a return envelope as follow up to your conversation.

Become an Advocate today. Call Carrie at (614) 459-4820 for details.

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Mission

Our programming is primarily catechetical, devotional, and inspirational and is dedicated to providing the highest quality Catholic programming that is upbeat, positive and inspires conversion of heart and a deepening of the faith.

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Friday night football lineup starting August 24th

The best game in town? Catholic high school football!



This fall, enjoy AM 820's exclusive coverage of our very own teams — Bishop Ready, Bishop Hartley, St. Charles, Bishop Watterson, St. Francis DeSales, Marian Catholic, William V. Fisher Catholic, and Newark Catholic.

5 p.m.		Crossing the Goal with NFL all-pro receiver Danny Abramowicz
6 p.m.		Catholic High School Football Preview Show with Doug Lessells and Ryan Baker
7:15 p.m.		The CCL Game-of-the-Week with Randy Rhinehart and Mike Lanza
Friday	24-Aug	Pickerington North @ St. Charles Preparatory
Saturday	25-Aug	Bishop Ready @ Newark Catholic (Opening Weekend Doubleheader)
Friday	31-Aug	Bishop Hartley @ Columbus Academy
Friday	7-Sep	New Albany @ St. Francis DeSales
Friday	14-Sep	Bishop Ready @ Grove City Christian
Friday	21-Sep	Chillicothe @ St. Francis DeSales
Friday	28-Sep	Bishop Watterson @ Bishop Hartley
Friday	5-Oct	Canal Fulton Northwest @ St. Charles Preparatory
Friday	12-Oct	St. Francis DeSales @ Bishop Watterson
Friday	19-Oct	Bishop Watterson @ St. Charles Preparatory
Friday	26-Oct	Bishop Ready @ Bishop Hartley

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