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Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

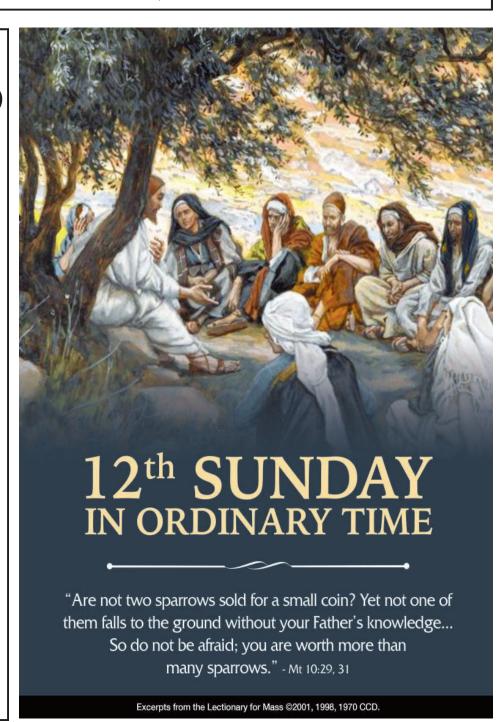
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 9:15 a.m.
Thursday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 26 - JUNE 30

Monday 9:15 AM
Claudio Barducci
Requested by Graziano Canini

Tuesday 9:15 AM Molly Joy Requested by Friend

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM Lazar and Pauline Croitori Requested by Croitori Family

Friday 9:15 AM
Sue DuCharme
Requested by Ron Brumfield



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: GN 12:1-9/PS 33:12-13, 18-20, 22/MT 7:1-5 TUESDAY: GN 13:2, 5-18/PS 15:2-4AB, 5/MT 7:6, 12-14 WEDNESDAY: GN 15:1-12, 17-18/PS 105:1-4, 6-9/

MT 7:15-20

THURSDAY: VIGIL: ACTS 3:1-10/PS 19:2-5/GAL 1:11-20/

JN 21:15-19

DAY: ACTS 12:1-11/PS 34:2-9/2 TM 4:6-8, 17-18/

MT 16:13-19

FRIDAY: GN 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/PS 128:1-5/MT 8:1-4 SATURDAY: GN 18:1-15/LK 1:46-50, 53-55/MT 8:5-17 NEXT SUNDAY: 2 KGS 4:8-11, 14-16A/PS 89:2-3, 16-19/

ROM 6:3-4, 8-11/MT 10:37-42

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(FOR A LIST OF DAILY READINGS: GO TO HTTP://WWW.USCCB.ORG/NAB)

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

| Wanda Reiner | Beth Croitori | Sylvia Funni | Stephen Cleary |
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| Tony Wadrick | Marianna Schiffman | Bob Johnston | Nancy Kolliker |
| James Cooper | Joe Maggie | Laurie Aldrich | William Marr |
| Dick Campbell | Erin Malloy-Tingle | Nell Sagripanti | Joan Preston |
| Charles Minear | Andy Mosher | Andy Vermiglio | Joan Koeppen |
| Rita Knight | Cyndy Fenech | Joan Goniea | Lillian Malley |
| Chelsea Wright | Emily Choike | Ralph Wenski | Joan Koeppen |
| Josephine Meyers | Corinne Wedge | Nadeen Ouelette | Betty Hunter |
| Marjorie Allen | Linda Malloy | John Dillon | Janice Ronan |

JULY 2, 2017 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

| 5:00 PM | July 1 | Fr. Kris |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| For Joann Pavco & Bernice, Louis & | Servers | Eli Gerhart Adrianna Gerhart |
| Dennis Kaye Requested by Joe Pavco | Lector/ Ushers | Monica Murone 5:00B |
| 8:30 AM | July 2 | Fr. Roodbeen |
| For | Servers | Servers Needed |
| All Our Parishioners | Lector/ Ushers | Candy Rosowski 8:30C |
| 10:15 AM | July 2 | Fr. Kris |
| For David Hans | Servers | Servers Needed |
| Requested by Gretchen Guisbert | Lector/ Ushers | Nancy Stone 10:15C |
| 12:00 PM | July 2 | Fr. Kris |
| For Claudio Barducci | Servers | Servers Needed |
| Requested by Graziano Canini | Lectors/ Ushers | Chris Greig 12:00A |

Sacristan Schedule for Next Week

July 1 and July 2

Team C

Team D

Team #2 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, June 25th following the 8:30 AM Mass

| Offertory Snapshot | |
|---|--------------|
| Actual Offertory for Weekend of June 11 | \$ 8,333.00 |
| Budget Offertory for Weekend of June 11 | \$ 8,800.00 |
| Actual Offertory July 1 - June 11 | \$478,895.00 |
| Budget Offertory July 1 - June 11 | \$440,000.00 |

ELECTRONIC DEPOSIT OF DONATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT ST. GERALD. FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE OR ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CHAIN

If you know someone who could use our prayers and would like them added to our prayer chain, please call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470 or email the office at stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com and their name will be added to our prayers.



BLOOD DRIVE -GIVE BLOOD AND SAVE A LIFE!

A Blood Drive has been scheduled at St. Together, we can save a life Gerald for Sunday, July 16, from 8 AM to

2 PM. The Blood Drive appointment

sheet is in the Parish Hall at the Health Ministry table. Please sign up, or call Barbara Seabolt at 248-477-4752, or go online to www.redcrossblood.org using the sponsor code stgeraldch.

Thank you for your support on saving many lives by giving blood and your time.



FNCOUNTER CHRIST Your gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal

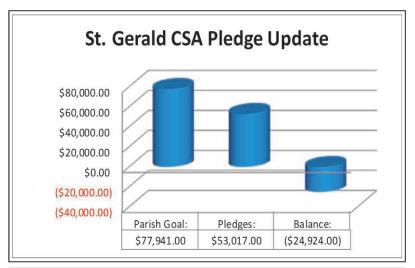
CSA - Youth Ministry

are helping high school-age teens in the Archdiocese of Detroit learn how to become better Christian leaders, examples to their peers, and evangelizers through Youth Leadership and Evangelization Training.

"Chosen to Follow" covers topics like discipleship, communication, facilitation, prayer, and event planning, as well as sharing faith with other teens. Through the "Living Your Strengths" resource, teens will also learn to use their individual strengths in their daily lives.

Offered by archdiocesan Youth Ministry Office, Youth Leadership and Evangelization Training will be held overnight at St. Frances de Chantal Parish in Sterling Heights this July 21-22.

For information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to www.aod.org.



CSA NOTE...

Thank you to everyone who has already made their pledge to CSA. We are in the process of mailing out the CSA cards to those that were not able to pick up their card after the Masses during the month of May. When you receive your card, please return it to church by dropping it in the Sunday collection basket, mailing it back in with the envelope provided or dropping it off in the Parish Office. Please help us reach our goal of \$77,941.00! Your generosity and support is very much appreciated!



HEALTH TOPIC DISCUSSION

Join us for a presentation on

Memory: Dementia & Alzheimer's

Beaumont Nurse, Gerryanna Luscri, will provide an educational presentation and answer questions regarding diagnosis, prevention and management of the different forms of memory loss and how to interact with those who are affected.

> Morning and evening options are offered: Tuesday, June 27th at 7:00 PM or Friday, June 30th 10:00 AM

Sign up sheet is provided at Health Information Table in Social Hall, or call the Parish Office at 248-476-7677 for details

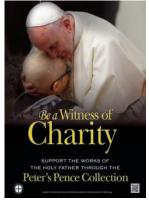
PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

Upcoming Class offered at St. Gerald:

First Aid Class on Wednesday, June 28th from 6 - 9 PM.



You can sign up in Parish Hall at Health Ministry Table or call the Parish Office to register.



Today, our second collection is Peter's Pence, supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. This collection is taken up by Catholics around the globe and helps the Holy Father reach out to the suffering in our world, especially those enduring the effects of war and violence, natural disasters, and religious persecution. Please be generous.



Let us welcome our newest members to St. Gerald Parish:

Karen Rockholt **Gregory and Darlene Sypitkowski** and Family.

Welcome to St. Gerald Parish! We are glad you are here.

WOMEN'S GROUP UPDATE

Our May Bunco night was a great success and lots of fun; thus, we will have another Bunco night on Wednesday, July 19th at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.



If you would like to attend, contact Joanne Tapin at jmtapin2826canal@gmail.com or by calling 810-858-7121. Please bring a beverage of your choice, an

appetizer or dessert to share and a Bunco game, if you have one. When responding, say whether you intend on bringing an appetizer or a dessert and if you will be bringing a Bunco game. Feel free to bring a friend as well.

There are still a few openings for the tea luncheon at the Russian Orthodox Monastery in Harper Woods on Tuesday, July 11th from 11 AM to 2 PM. The cost is \$22.00 per person, payable at the time of RSVP, and is on a first-come basis. If you are interested in attending, contact Karen Goheen at karengoheen@sbcglobal.net. As always, if you have any ideas or would like to host an event, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!

SOUTH OAKLAND SHELTER (AUGUST 20 – 27, 2017)

South Oakland Shelter (SOS) provides homeless prevention, sustainable housing and career development strategies and programs for homeless and at-risk people seeking stabilization and self-sufficiency.

This year we are hosting S.O.S. at North Congregational Church with them and the Muslim Community Mosque.

Sign-ups for food donations and volunteers will be online through SignUpGenius. Beginning Sunday, July 9th you may go to NorthCongregationalChurch.org and sign up through the links there. You may also e-mail Danny Hawkins at NCC.BusinessManager@gmail.com and have him enter your information on SignUpGenius.

Opportunities to help include:

Donations of food and supplies (monetary donations for food expenses can also be done at NorthCongregationalChurch.org)

Building set up on the first Sunday afternoon

Transportation from S.O.S. in Lathrup Village to North Congregational Sunday through Saturday 4:30 – 7:00 PM

Evening transportation to the Farmington YMCA for showers at 8:00 Overnight supervision and box lunch preparation

Breakfast preparation, Monday through Sunday – all guests are out of the church by 8:00 AM

Transportation from North Congregational to S.O.S.'s Lathrup Village office or to our guests' places of work 6:30 – 8:00 AM (a few may be earlier)

Laundering of bed linens – a few towels and hand towels each day during the week

Tear down and reconfiguring of church rooms on the second Sunday morning

Committee Chair people to assist Danny Hawkins are still needed. Please check the North Congregational Church website or contact him at NCC.BusinessManager@gmail.com for more information on these roles.



If you have borrowed a pyx to take communion to someone and are done with it, please return it to the sacristy. If you are still using a pyx, please let us know by emailing timwestfall.sgp@gmail.com or call the Parish Office and let us know that you have it. Thank you!

st. Gerald Mom's Corner



Upcoming Events

- This weekend June 25th Outreach day! We will be filling snack size energy bags for the PBJ project at Our Lady of Good Council. We need many hands to make the bags! Families will gather after the 12:00 Mass. We are asking each family to please bring just one of the following: box of Chex cereal, bag of nuts, bag of mini-chocolate chips, bag dried fruit or a box of snack bags.
- **July 12th** -Park Day! The Wrukowska Family will be hosting this day. The park has not been decided. Please watch for updates in "The Voice". All families are welcome to take a turn at hosting a "Park Day" over the summer. Please let the host family know what day works for you!

Keep checking "The Voice" for all upcoming events, charitable outreach acts and meeting dates. All are welcome!

The purpose of St. Gerald Mom's Corner is to provide mothers with fellowship, support and opportunities to grow their Christian faith to nurture their children with confidence and Christian values. Through activities such as service projects, parties, speakers, outings and discussion — moms are given the opportunity to connect with other moms in support and friendship.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Terra Sancta Pilgrimages with Franciscan friar Fr. Alex Kratz will be leading a Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 9-23, 2017. This life-changing experience walking in Jesus' footsteps includes daily Mass and Rosary, biblical readings on site, time for prayer and spiritual guidance, and meeting local Christians. Cost is \$4,299 (all taxes). \$500 deposit due at registration. Orientation Meeting is August 6. Next pilgrimage: April 9-23, 2018. Call 248-514-1747 or mrspattig@yahoo.com



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Do you hear God calling and challenging you to minister to the sick? The Spiritual Care department at Beaumont Hospital -Farmington Hills (formerly Botsford Hospital) is needing individuals to give communion to Catholic patients. It is a powerful and wonderful way to serve your community. If interested, please call Chaplain Kurt Stutz at 248-471-8850 for all the details.



More Parish Pienic Pictures!

















MORE THANK YOU'S

Last week I thanked the Knights Of Columbus and all of you for making our picnic a success. There are many more people to thank for their contributions to our Parish Picnic. First, I would like to thank Paul and John Hammer from McDonalds in Livonia for donating the orange drink to us, unfortunately, due to the water restrictions we were not able to use it. Secondly, to Jeff from Meadows Liquor Store for the keg of beer, and to Peterlin's Restaurant for sponsoring the corn toss tournament for the Knights. More thanks goes out to Kathy Taft and her sister Dot for providing the entertainment and the karaoke and to Justin Dulong and the city of Farmington for letting us use one of their fire trucks for the day.

Now it's your job! As I am new here, I would love to hear some feedback from you as to what you thought of this year's picnic. As I said in the very beginning, I am always open to new ideas and also am open to how we can make next year's picnic an even better one. Yours in Christ, Matt

MISSION SUNDAY - JULY 1 AND 2

Please let us welcome Sister Litty Maria, D.M. from the Daughters of Mary Sisters. The Congregation of the Daughters of Mary is a Missionary Congregation in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church. Founded in the year 1938, by Msgr. Joseph Kozhinjalil and Mother Mary Kallarackal at Marthandam, in the Archdiocese of Trivandrum in India.

Pope John Paul II elevated the congregation to its pontifical status on October 15, 1988.

Later the service zone was divided into six provinces: St. Joseph, St. Mary's, Nirmala, Christuraja, Mary Matha and Amala.

VOLUNTEER FOR LIFE REMODELED IN CENTRAL DETROIT

"Effective witness to Jesus has these attractive qualities: joy, hospitality and generous service to the poor and the marginalized." *Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron, Unleash the Gospel Pastoral Letter*

Be one of 17,000 volunteers on a six-day beautification blitz in central Detroit neighborhoods surrounding Sacred Heart Major Seminary, St. Charles Lwanga and St. Moses the Black parishes as part of Life Remodeled. Work ranges from sweeping, removing litter and brush, lawn mowing, painting and more. The project kicks off July 31 and runs through August 5, 2017. Volunteers from AOD parishes, schools, ministries as well as Sacred Heart Major Seminary and Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan are invited to serve.

More info and registration at www.aod.org/liferemodeled



KNIGHTS CORNER

Aug. 12 is Michigan K of C Night at Comerica Park; Who Wants to Go?

Saturday, August 12th will be Michigan Knights of Columbus night at Comerica Park as the Detroit Tigers host the Minnesota Twins in a 6:10 PM game. The State Council has purchased 400 seats and is making them available to councils and individual Knights. Half the seats are right field baseline box seats at \$46. The other 200 seats, priced

at \$26 each, are mezzanine seats, which is Tiger speak for upper deck seats. If anyone wants to go or wants to organize a small group, please call Program Director Tom McPhail at 248-875-1185. Tickets are available only through the State K of C; do not call the Tiger Box Office. Deadline for ticket orders is July 14th.

We have a menu coordinator for the Council Pot Luck dinner scheduled for August 26th at the home of GK Fred Gerometta. Arlene McPhail, wife of Program Director Tom McPhail, volunteered for the job. She said she will be contacting Council wives sometime after August 1st. For our newer members, the Pot Luck is a relaxing night of good food, good drinks that you bring and lots of socializing in a beautiful, relaxing venue. Bring the kids. Bring a dish for 10 to pass. More details to come in the weeks ahead.

The top leadership of the Council has some more training in store. The State K of C has announced dates for its' diocesan meetings around the state. A session on July 12th at Fr. O'Kelley Council in Dearborn is closest for our Officers – the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and the Membership and Program Directors. Those men will be involved in a training session, most likely in July, with the five other Councils in our District. The sessions are part of on-going training by the National and State Councils to prepare the leadership. If you are asked to be a Council leader in the future, be assured you will get help to do the job.

Odds & Ends: A reminder that the date for the July Officers' Meeting has been pushed a week to July 11th due to the Independence Day holiday.... July 30 is our next Family Communion Mass.... Still time to sign up for the Parish Health Ministry's First Aid training class. It will be from 6 to 9 PM June 28th in the Social Hall.... Voting for the Knight and Family of the Year took place after the deadline for this article; winners will be featured next week.

Going on Vacation? Read the Knights Corner on line at www.stgeraldparish.org

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH Office Hours

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday. (secretary at lunch 12:00 pm—12:30 pm)

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SACRAMENTS

Rite of Reconciliation: Saturdays from 3:30-4:30PM Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the office

Baptism:

Please be aware that first time parents must attend a short baptism prep class prior to the baptism of their child. Arrangements for baptism may be made by calling the Parish Office.

Matrimony:

x 203

St. Gerald Parish is pleased to marry registered parishioners and their children. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Registration of new members:

Please see Fr. Kris after Mass or call the office. Registration forms are located on the shelf in the classroom hallway for your convenience. After you fill it out, just give it to Fr. Kris or drop it off in the Parish Office. Thank you!

RCIA: Would you or someone you know want to become a full member of the Catholic Church? Please call Tim Westfall (248) 476-7677 x202 or Fr. Kris (248) 477-7470 for more information.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. GERALD CATHOLIC PARISH!

If you are new to the area, we look forward to meeting you personally. If you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic faith, we encourage you to return. If a previous marriage has kept you from receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to call the rectory at 248-477-7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a favorable solution.

ST. GERALD MISSION STATEMENT

St. Gerald Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming, inclusive parish striving to be a reflection of Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we are dedicated to strengthening our faith through reverent and uplifting worship, serving those in need, and living the fullness of the Gospel with all God's people.

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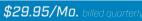
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