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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

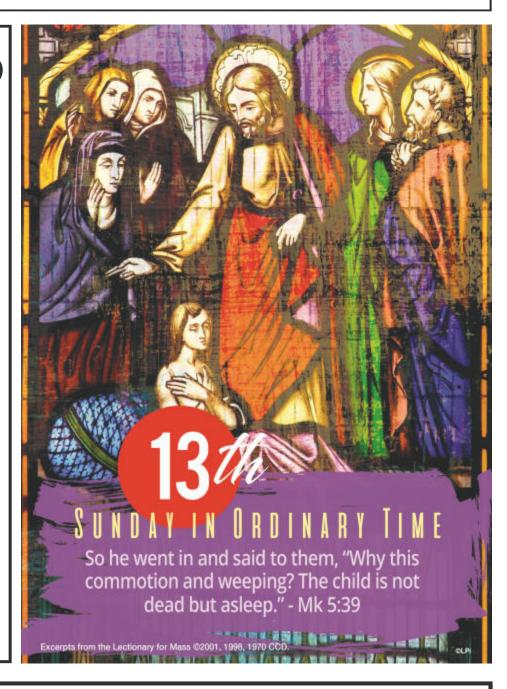
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.





PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH,
IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY.



MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 2 - JULY 7

Monday 9:15 AM
Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer,
Robrecht and Goderman Families
Requested by C. Kemp

Tuesday 9:15 AM

Daniel Bolda

Requested by Sally Bolda

Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Alan Knight
Requested by Knight Family

Friday 9:15 AM Varacalli Family Requested by Family

Saturday 9:15 AM
Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer,
Robrecht and Goderman Families
Requested by C. Kemp

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: AM 2:6-10, 13-16/Ps 50:16BC-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [22A]/MT 8:18-22

TUESDAY: EPH 2:19-22/PS 117:1BC, 2 [MK 16:15]/ JN 20:24-29

WEDNESDAY: AM 5:14-15, 21-24/PS 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16BC-17 [23B]/MT 8:28-34

THURSDAY: AM 7:10-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10cd]/ MT 9:1-8

FRIDAY: AM 8:4-6, 9-12/Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131 [MT 4:4]/MT 9:9-13

SATURDAY: AM 9:11-15/PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12, 13-14 [CF. 9B]/MT 9:14-17

NEXT SUNDAY: EZ 2:2-5/PS 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2CD]/2 COR 12:7-10/MK 6:1-6A

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



Tuna/Hamburger Helper Canned Vegetables Mac and Cheese Boxes

Tuna Fish Canned Soup Jelly/Jam

Pray for our Sick:

Doug FoleyJim LewisKimberly ThompsonCharles MinearKaren HallErin MalloyBeth CroitoriJim SockowWanda ReinerLinda MalloyRose HickeyPat FaniloneRalph WenskiRoberta ProvenzanoNancy Kolliker

JULY 8, 2018 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM	July 7	Fr. Kris
For Joann Pavco & Bernice, Louis & Dennis Kaye Requested by Joe Pavco	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Diane Blankenship 5:00A
8:30 AM	July 8	Fr. Kris
For All Our Parishioners	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Candy Rosowski 8:30C
10:15 AM	July 8	Fr. Kris
For Claude Williams Requested by Margaret Williams	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Nancy Stone 10:15B
12:00 PM	July 8	Fr. Roodbeen
For Louis & Jack Schiffman Requested by Family	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Fernando Guerra 12:00A

Team #2 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, July 8 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week

<u>July 7 and July 8</u>

Team A

PARISHALASUPPORT

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of June 24 \$ 9,261.00

Budget Offertory for Weekend of June 24 \$ 9,096.00

Actual Offertory July 1 - June 24 \$504,619.00

Budget Offertory July 1 - June 24 \$472,992.00

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.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES

If you are new to the parish or did not have a child in the religious program last year and would like to register a child for the 2018-2019 class schedule, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201 or via email at



marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com and a registration form will be mailed to you. Registration forms are also available on the parish website.

Return these forms as soon as possible. Confirmation preparation classes, grades 7 and 8, will gather on alternate Sunday evenings from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM. Students in grades 1 - 6 may choose to attend classes

either on Mondays from 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM or Tuesdays from 5:15 PM - 6:30 PM. The Preschool and Kindergarten (4 and 5 year olds) class will be held during the 10:15 AM Mass. **Registration forms are due by July 15th.** If you had children in the program last year and *did not* received a registration form, or have any questions, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201 or marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com

REMINDER: Following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Detroit, children of the parish are to receive two full years of religious formation before the reception of a sacrament.

LIFE'S MOST DIFFICULT MOMENTS

Life is so full of joy—none of us like to think much about death. It's an uncomfortable topic, but an

important topic for your family.

Please join the Community Outreach Team from Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Detroit, for an informative 20 minute presentation and

Question and Answer session.

When: Immediately following 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, July 14, 2018 and after all the Sunday Masses on July 15.

Where: In the parish social hall

We will be discussing:

- the importance of a Catholic funeral and burial
- the Church's position on cremation
- information on our Catholic Archdiocesan cemeteries
- benefits of advanced planning of end-of-life needs

Light refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you!

BULLETIN REMINDER

All organizations and individuals are reminded to submit articles and announcements for the parish bulletin by 12 noon on Mondays. We ask that you please computer generate your submissions and send them via e-mail to stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com. All articles subject to approval and may be edited to create space. Thank you.

SOUTH OAKLAND SHELTER AUGUST $19^{TH} - 26^{TH}$

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.

North Congregational Church is hosting S.O.S. in partnership with St. Gerald Catholic Church, the Muslim Community Mosque and Trinity in the Woods Episcopal Church.

Sign ups for food donations and volunteers will be online through SignUpGenius. Beginning Wednesday, July 11th you may go to NorthCongregationalChurch.org and sign up through the links there. You may also email Danny Hawkins at NCC.BusinessManager@gmail.com and have him enter your information on SignUpGenius.

Opportunities to help will 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 afternoons.
- * Evening transportation to the Farmington YMCA for showers at 8:00 PM.
- * 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. Most leave at 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.

A couple of 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.

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS GIVE BLOOD AND SAVE A LIFE!!



The Health Ministry has scheduled a Blood Drive for Sunday July 15, 2018 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The Blood Drive appointment sheet is in the Social Hall at the Health Ministry table. Please sign up, or call Barbara Seabolt at 248-477-4752 (H) 248-231-4184 (Cell), blseabolt@att.net, or go online to www.redcrossblood.org using the sponsor code stgeraldch

Next blood drive will be February 24, 2019

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

Events happening in and around our community

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Terra Sancta Pilgrimages with Franciscan friar Fr. Alex Kratz will be leading a Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from **October 8-22, 2018**. 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 expenses included, round trip from Detroit, 3 daily meals, all tips and taxes). \$500 deposit due at registration. Orientation Meeting is **August 5**. Next pilgrimage: May 6-20, 2019. Call **(248) 514-1747** or mrspattig@yahoo.com.

CSA - YOUTH MINISTRY

The archdiocesan Youth Ministry Office is offering the "Passing on the Faith" presentation for parishes to host for their parishioners who are parents of school-age children.

"Passing on the Faith" assesses young people and their faith, examines how parents can better inspire faith in future generations, and addresses practical issues such as how to talk about the Catholic faith and its traditions with children, and model the faith as parents.

Thanks to CSA gifts, the Youth Ministry Office is able to provide presentations like these to foster the spiritual and personal growth of archdiocesan youth. For information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to aod.org.

FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

Religious item donations are being collected to distribute at the Farmington Founders Festival on July, 20, 21 and 22. St. Gerald Church, along with St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows Churches will be hosting a booth at the festival to promote our work and charity in our area community. Sign up to help at the booth, or drop off your donation items outside the staff offices. Rosaries, medals, prayer cards and small booklets make a perfect give away item.

Consider joining our Evangelization Team. We are open to good ideas and many helpers are needed to spread God's Word and Love across our land and to the lonely hearts among us.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthian community, this Apostle to the Gentiles reminds them that they are abundantly blessed in all things by way of Christ. He encourages them to give from their surplus in relief of others, especially to the struggling Church in Jerusalem. The Book of Wisdom professes that our generous God made us in His image. This same teaching is found in the Book of Genesis. The evangelist St. Mark illustrates, in his Gospel, Jesus' compassionate miracle of restoring Jairus' daughter to life. In gratitude, do we, as faithful stewards share our many blessings by generously giving to the parish offertory and the Catholic Services Appeal? Do we show Christlike compassion to our fellow parishioners and brothers and sisters in need? To reduce debt so you can focus on giving, read 7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free by Phil Lenahan.



Week at a Glance

Monday, July 2

8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass

Tuesday, July 3

8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help 2:00 PM Nursing Home Mass 7:00 PM K of C Officers' Meeting



Wednesday, July 4 Independence Day

No Mass Parish Offices Closed

Thursday, July 5

No 12:00 PM Pinochle 6:20 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour

Friday, July 6

First Friday Adoration following 9:15 AM Mass concluding with Benediction at 5:00 PM

8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 8:00 PM AA Meeting

Saturday, July 7 First Saturday

9:15 AM Mass with Anointing of the Sick 3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, July 8 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Botsford Commons Visit

8:30 AM Mass 10:15 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass

WE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
NORA BOWLER
+
JANUARY 18, 1926
JUNE 19, 2018

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO NORAO LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER.

CSA UPDATE

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 \$70,550.00. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated!























We welcome to the **Body of Christ**

Ugonna Chijioke Otti

baptized Saturday, June 23, 2018

by Rev. Festus Ejimadu

Brody Samuel Oswald baptized Sunday, June 24, 2018

by Rev. Krzysztof Nowak



Prayer for Independence Day

Dear God.

as we celebrate today with fireworks and festivals, help us never to forget the reason for our joy. Help us remember that our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness were signed into our heritage with the willing blood of American patriots. Most of all, help us remember that the rights of all people are more than words on a document, and that all people have rights because you have given us the dignity of human life. Grant freedom to all, and give us the strength to protect the rights of others. Amen.

Knights Corner

New Hand on the Gavel as Officers Meet Tuesday; Donors, Helpers Sought for July 15 Blood Drive

Tuesday's Officers Meeting will have a new hand on the gavel as Grand Knight Dave Bednarski takes over the leadership of the Council. Among the tasks ahead is the recruiting of new members and the expansion of the Council storage closet, a project started and being overseen by outgoing Grand Knight Fred Gerometta.

The push for new members already is underway with appointment of PGK Rich Smith as Membership Director. Smith said he has two prospects in line for a First Degree ceremony later this month. The Smith appointment is one of two GK Bednarski made effective with the new fraternal year which started today. He also designated Tom McPhail to continue as Program Director.



Outgoing



The closet expansion will be an add-on to the existing closet near the south entrance of the Social Hall. No firm starting date has been set, Gerometta said, but it is expected to be soon. Construction is estimated take a week.

Barbara Seabolt, wife of Brother Thom Seabolt, has volunteered to coordinate the dishes for the Council's annual Pot Luck dinner. It is scheduled for Saturday, August 18 at the home of PGK Fred and Diane Gerometta. More information on the Pot Luck will be announced as we get closer to the event.

Mrs. Seabolt also heads the parish health ministry which will be sponsoring another Blood Drive July 15. Nurses from the American Red Cross will do the blood draws. Knight and spouses are welcome as donors or as volunteers. See the signup sheet on the Health Ministry table in the Social Hall.

GK Bednarski, Deputy Grand Knight Frank Gariepy and Membership Director Smith will be going to a diocesan-wide meeting on July 10 at which State Council leaders outline plans for the year. On July 30 the trio, plus Program Director McPhail, will meet with the new District Deputy Don Garon and leaders of four neighboring Councils to coordinate activities for our district.

PGK Rich Smith reports that seats are still available for the August 8 bus to the Fire Keepers Casino near Battle Creek. The bus leaves from the Church parking lot at approximately 9 AM and returns about 6 PM that same day. The fare is \$35 but is offset by \$25 in gaming and food credits.

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

STAFF

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SACRAMENTS

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

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:

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 Parish Office. Registration forms are located on the shelf in the classroom hallway and the gathering space of the church 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 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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