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AUGUST 19, 2018

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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

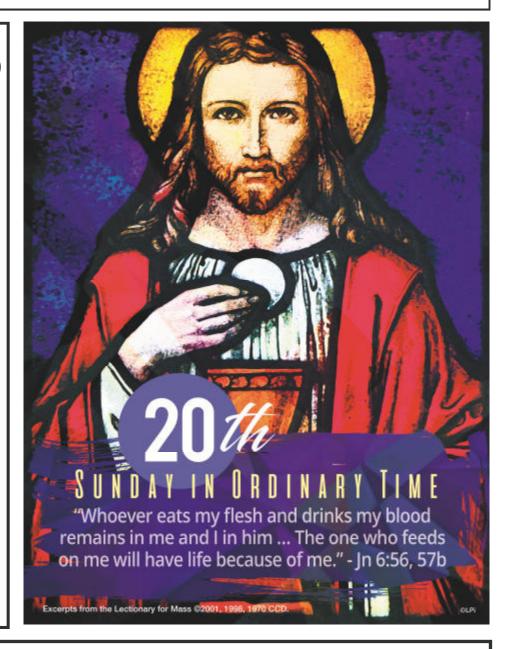
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.





New Instructions for Online Giving.

Please see Page 4 of the bulletin for more information.



MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 20 - AUGUST 24

Monday 9:15 AM

Dominic and Lena Ponzetti Requested by Graziano Canini

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Amelia Barreto
Requested by Blen Cardoza

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
For All Our Parishioners

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: EZ 24:15-24/DT 32:18-19, 20, 21

[CF. 18A]/MT 19:16-22

TUESDAY: EZ 28:1-10/DT 32:26-27AB, 27CD-28, 30,

35CD-36AB [39C]/MT 19:23-30

WEDNESDAY: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6 [1]/

MT 20:1-16

THURSDAY: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19

[Ez 36:25]/MT 22:1-14

FRIDAY: RV 21:9B-14/PS 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18

[12]/JN 1:45-51

SATURDAY: EZ 43:1-7AB/PS 85:9AB AND 10, 11-12,

13-14 [CF. 10B]/MT 23:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY: JOS 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B/PS 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9A]/EPH 5:21-32 OR

5:2A, 25-32/JN 6:60-69

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

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of August 5 \$ 11,431.00

Budget Offertory for Weekend of August 5 \$ 9,096.00

Actual Offertory as of August 5 \$ 55,195.00

Budget Offertory as of August 5 \$ 54,576.00

Please pray for:

Doug Foley	Sofia Weiland	Kimberly Thompson
Charles Minear	Karen Hall	Erin Malloy
Beth Croitori	Jim Sockow	Wanda Reiner
Linda Malloy	Rose Hickey	Pat Fanilone
Ralph Wenski	Roberta Provenzano	Nancy Kolliker
Anna ladipaolo	Yolanda Fenech	Genevieve Browne
Joan Goniea		Tim O'Brien

AUGUST 26, 2018 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM	August 25	Fr. Roodbeen	
For Joann Pavco	Servers	Servers Needed	
Requested by Joe Pavco	Lector/ Ushers	Ellen Stacey 5:00A	
8:30 AM	August 26	Fr. Kris	
For	Servers	Servers Needed	
All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Jim Bergin 8:30A	
10:15 AM August 26 Fr. Kris			
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10:15 AM For Maria Civita Morelli	August 26	Servers Needed	
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Team #2 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, August 19 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week

August 25 and August 26

Team D

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.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

When you are looking for Mass Times or other special events at St. Gerald, please visit our website at www.stgeraldparish.org.



Tuna Helper
Canned Vegetables
Mac and Cheese Boxes
Canned Soup
Jelly/Jam
Cereal
Canned Fruit
Crackers/Saltines



Hello and happy summer to all!

Planning is underway for the upcoming school year with fall functions at our church and in our community. Opportunities for service, worship and

learning are coming your way. Keep posted through the bulletin board, Voice bulletin, or contact Gerryanna for details as needed.

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Sunday, September 9th come join us for 10:15 AM Mass with Teen Fellowship. We will be walking to Dunkin Donuts after Mass for treats, meet with friends and share summer stories. Meet in the church Gathering Space at 10:00 AM and we will all sit together for worship.

Team Solanus, a greeting ministry of welcoming, evangelizing and service is forming now. If you are interested in being a helpful greeter at any mass, on any day, at any time... text the word "greeter" to 734-341-1999 (Gerryanna).

Our Lady of Sorrows is hosting the *Called to Serve* Workshop on August 22nd. This is a FREE workshop for training teens who work with younger children in the church community. You can register through the AOD link below, and check out other dates coming up in the future.

http://www.aod.org/our- archdiocese/protecting- children/ abuse-prevention- training/called-to-serve/ workshopschedule

See you at CHURCH!

GARDEN NEEDS

Grounds

Committe

A few volunteers are needed with hedge trimmers. Our yews, especially on the west side of the church, are in need of a trim

before fall arrives! If we can get three or four together on an evening or weekend, it can be finished rather quickly!

Please call:

Johanna Ward at 248-478–2849 or Gerryanna Luscri at 734-341-1999 with a convenient day and time for your

schedules! Thank you.



New to the parish? Been on one commission for a long time and want to broaden your horizons? Perhaps you are thinking of a way in which you can contribute more to your parish community. Then consider joining the Christian Service Commission here at St. Gerald. Our commission needs new members! You don't have to be a certain age, there is no preexam, no training to start, just simply come as you are. We meet prior to the Parish Council Meetings and are involved in parish activities as well as outreach in the community. If you feel this is a ministry that you would like to be involved in, please call **MATT** in the Christian Service office at 248-476-7677, ext. 204 for more information.



WE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
MARIE STELLA
STE-MARIE IATROW

. SEPTEMBER 5, 1933 AUGUST 11, 2018

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO STELLA O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER

FOR WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN

Breakfast at Jonny Cakes Café in Canton August 29 at 9:30 AM.

Widowed men and women are invited to meet for breakfast on August 29th at 9:30 AM at Jonny Cakes Café, 5846 N. Sheldon Rd in Canton. **Must RSVP to** Gloria @ 734-459-7995.

Sponsored by Widowed Friends, a "peer" support group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. For further information about Widowed Friends, come visit our website at www.widowedfriends.org

CSA UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has already made their pledge to CSA. If you have not sent back your card, please do so. As you can see in the chart to the right, we are getting very close to our goal and would appreciate your help. Any amount is appreciated. You can return your card 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. If you are unable to give at this time, please return your card and indicate this on the pledge card. Any amount not collected will become the responsibility of St. Gerald. As always, your generosity and support is very much appreciated!





From Simplegive

It is Here! New Online Giving

Catholic Vantage, our current source of online giving, has informed us that they will no longer offer the E-giver program effective September 30th. We have worked with Simplegive to establish our new donor managed online giving. Visit our website at www.stgeraldparish.org, and on the left-hand side of the screen click on the tab "Online Giving". You will be directed to "Welcome to Online Giving" allowing you to set up your account to manage your donations. Some of the benefits of this new program include:

Managing your donations anytime. Changes are immediate.
Credit Cards are accepted, as well as Bank EFT's.

Donations can be made to Archdiocesan Campaigns (Except CSA).

Examples are Peter Pence, Catholic Relief, Catholic Charities, etc.

Ability to view giving history at any time.

This new system is convenient for you because you are in charge and can make changes at any time to your online giving. It does not require you to contact your bank to sign up or do anything else. You can use your credit card, debit card, checking or savings accounts and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account.

If you need help or do not have access to a computer, please contact the Parish Office at 248-477-7470, and we will be glad to assist you.

On the weekend of September 15th and 16th someone will be available in the social hall to assist you if you want to sign up for Online Giving and require some help.

We are grateful for your support to St. Gerald.

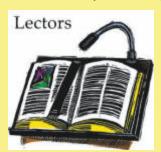
REMINDER:

All Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors

Please arrive at Church 15 minutes before the start of Mass.







RELIGIOUS ASSISTANCE TO POLAND AND POLONIA

This weekend we are participating in the annual collection for Religious Assistance to Poland and Polonia. Please pray for the Church in Poland and give generously so that the Church may bring the new evangelization to its people at home and abroad.



Grief Support Workshop

Grieving with Great HOPE is a five-week grief support workshop series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. If you have lost a spouse, a child (including pregnancy loss), a grandchild, a parent, another family member or a friend, you are encouraged to attend. Presenters will include Fr. Mark Brauer as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, a local Catholic bereavement apostolate. Visit www.goodmourningministry.net for registration details and registration form or contact the parish at 248-474-5720.

Thursday evenings 7-9 PM | Sept. 27-Oct. 25.

Our Lady of Sorrows | 23815 Power Road, Farmington MI 48336

Seating is limited. Registration is \$20

ITALIAN DAY IN DOWNTOWN FARMINGTON

Our collaborative evangelization efforts continue with the help of St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows parishes. Together, we are hosting another 'faith booth' and are looking for cheerful volunteers to help at the *Italian Day at the Farmington Farmers & Artisan Market on Saturday, September 29th.* Since this date is close to the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, the day will start with a gathering at 8:45 AM of people and pets in front of the Pet Valu shop on the south side of the pavilion for a pet blessing. Followed by:

9:00 AM Market Blessing and San Francesco procession with music 9:00 to 11:00 AM Accordion and Mandolin music with a sing-a long 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM Brick oven pizza, pasta and other Italian food vendors, cooking demonstration along with usual market vendors and food sales and even a children's craft tent

11:00 AM to 2:30 PM Live festive dance music with the Amici Band

Our tri-church booth will be set up from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM with two tables under the tent to distribute collected give away items and offer prayer

We will need help with set-up, hosting and then clean up. So commitment time will be from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. This includes:

8:30 to 10:30 AM Set- up and hosting booth

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM Booth host

12:30 PM to 2:30 PM Booth hosting and clean-up

This is a fun and lively event. You will want to spend some time walking the market, eating, dancing and enjoying the festivities. Raffle baskets and great food items will tempt you.

Watch for newspaper articles in the Observer for more information and local advertising. Follow the Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market page on Facebook for details and link information.

Contact Gerryanna Luscri from our Evangelization Committee to volunteer your time. Grazie!





Monday, August 20

8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass

Tuesday, August 21

8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help 7:00 PM K of C Membership Meeting

Wednesday, August 22

No Mass

Thursday, August 23

6:20 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour

Friday, August 24

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

Saturday, August 25

3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, August 26
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In today's Scripture reading from the Book of Proverbs, Wisdom inspires the people to forgo foolishness and eat the food and drink that God has "mixed." This prefigures St. John's Gospel account where the evangelist further develops Jesus' theology of sacrifice and His institution of the Holy Eucharist — the true source and summit, strength and unity, of Catholic life. What a tremendous gift! St. Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, encourages us to discern the will of the Lord, and to give thanks for everything in gratitude to God through Christ. As Christian stewards, we strive for union with the Lord by regularly partaking in Christ's Eucharistic banquet. Strengthened by the reception of Holy Communion, we embrace evangelization as we commit to stewardship as a way of life. We do this when we share His joy and peace with our parish community and those brothers and sisters who are in need of our Lord's message of hope. Besides weekend Mass attendance, try to attend at least one weekday Mass to meet Jesus in the Eucharist.



Knights Corner

Tuesday's Membership Meet to Ask "What to do with Profits from September 23 Pancake Breakfast?"

The coming week will be a busy one with the monthly Membership Meeting Tuesday and a major service project Wednesday, when three Knights and their spouses cook dinner for clients of the South Oakland Shelter. Program Director Tom and Arlene McPhail, PGK Fred and Diane Gerometta and PGK Bruce and Diane Roberts will be cooking for 40 to 50 people at the South Oakland Shelter on August 22 at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills. This is the fourth year our Council has cooked dinner at SOS.

One of the major agenda items will be deciding what should be done with the net proceeds from the September 23 pancake breakfast. Last September's breakfast produced a donation of \$4,000 to the National K of C Disaster Relief Fund to aid victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Proceeds from other breakfasts have gone to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society efforts.

Also on the agenda is the presentation of a citation as August Knight of the Month to Bob Koenig and a citation as August Family of the Month to Fernando and Julissa Guerra. They are being honored for their service to the Council and to the Parish.

There still are spots available for the All Knights Retreat sponsored by the Michigan K of C Council at St. Paul of the Cross retreat house December 7-9. The weekend begins with dinner on Friday and ends with a Sunday morning mass. The suggested donation for the weekend is \$215 and covers two nights lodging and five meals. To register, visit www.stpaulretreat.org or call Cathy at 313 -535-9563. A \$30 deposit will hold your spot.

If you have old eye glasses, sunglasses or rosaries cluttering a dresser drawer, bring them to church and place them in the box in the social hall marked "*Eyeglass donations*" or give to an usher. Trustee Bill Croitori will see that the item will be reused. The glasses often are sent to former Pastor Fr. Festus' Project Nigeria. The broken rosaries are repaired and given away, often locally when Bill and wife Joanne pass them out to unprepared wake goers.

Our November Membership Meeting has been moved a week earlier due to a shift in the Parish Council meeting date. For those who look ahead, mark November 13 as the November Membership Meeting. It is a meeting chow night with spaghetti on the menu set up by Hospitality Chair Ken May.

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:

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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