THE VOICE

AUGUST 26, 2018

ST. GERALD

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH A Servant Church Of The Archdiocese of Detroit

21300 Farmington Road Farmington, Michigan 48336

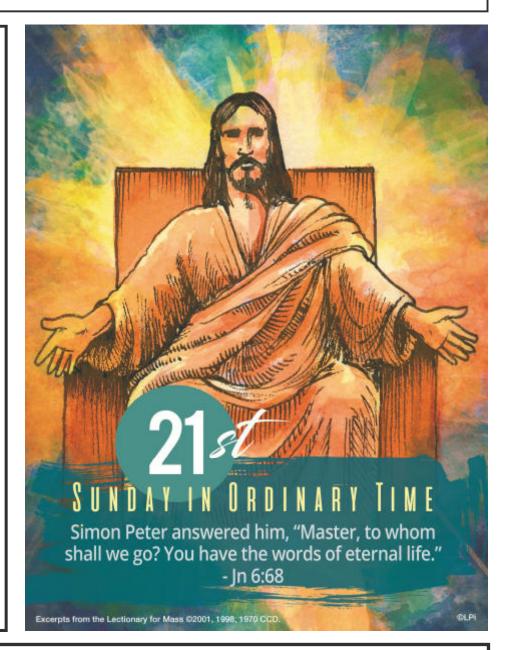
Phone: 248-477-7470 Fax: 248-477-3878 Website: stgeraldparish.org

> **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 27 - SEPTEMBER 1

Monday 9:15 AM Helen Szabo Requested by Mary Melonio

Tuesday 9:15 AM For All Our Parishioners

Wednesday - No Mass

<u>Thursday 7:00 PM</u> Frank Bialk Requested by Croitori Family

<u>Friday</u> 9:15 AM **Dominic and Lena Ponzetti** Requested by Graziano Canini

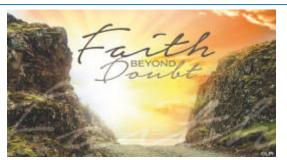
Saturday 9:15 AM Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer, Robrecht and Goderman Families Requested by C. Kemp

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 4-5 [3]/ Mt 23:13-22
- TUESDAY: 2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17/PS 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13B]/ MT 23:23-26
- WEDNESDAY: 2 THES 3:6-10, 16-18/PS 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/ MK 6:17-29
- THURSDAY: 1 COR 1:1-9/PS 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [1]/MT 24:42 -51
- FRIDAY: 1 COR 1:17-25/PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 [5]/MT 25:1-13
- SATURDAY: 1 COR 1:26-31/PS 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21 [12]/ MT 25:14-30
- NEXT SUNDAY: DT 4:1-2, 6-8/PS 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1A]/JAS 1:17-18, 21B-22, 27/MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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



Please pray for:

Doug Foley	Sofia Weiland	Kimberly Thompson
Tim O'Brien	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 Joan Goniea	Genevieve Browne

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

5:00 PM	September	1 Fr. Kris
For Catherine & Sam Casper	Servers	Isabelle Gerhart Eli Gerhart
Requested by Delphine Midura	Lector/ Ushers	Alice Sheehan 5:00B
8:30 AM	September	2 Fr. Kris
For	Servers	Servers Needed
All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Candy Rosowski 8:30B
10:15 AM September 2 Fr. Roodbeen		
For Margaret Hennessey &	Servers	Servers Needed
Joyce Gailey Requested by Norma Bazzett	Lector/ Ushers	Gerryanna Luscri 10:15A
12:00 PM September 2 Fr. Kris		
For J. Eugene Kerwin	Servers	Knights of Columbus
(2nd Anniv.) Requested by Barb Kerwin	Lector/ Ushers	Knights of Columbus 12:00A

Team #3 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, September 2 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week September 1 and September 2 Team A



Let us welcome our newest members:

Gerald and Gertrude Grusendorf

Welcome to our church. We are glad you are here!



October 14 - Flu Clinic October 13 and 14 - Bundle Days



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.

On 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).

See you at CHURCH!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

In today's First Reading from the Book of Joshua, he gives the ancient Israelites a choice to either serve their God, the God of Israel, or the pagan gods: Amorite gods or gods beyond the River. Joshua then boldly professes, As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord. In St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, he raises marriage to a sacrament and likens the marital bond in love between husband and wife to Christ's relationship with the Church. In St. John's Gospel, many of the disciples find Christ's truth on the everlasting gift of His Body and Blood hard to accept and leave His company. Jesus questions His Apostles to see if they, too, will leave Him and go back to their former way of life. Discipleship in the Lord is challenging, but Simon-Peter proclaims to Jesus, Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Being Christ's disciple has a definite cost, but He assures us of His strength to accept that cost. Jesus' strength, peace, and joy can be attained through Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in your parish, or at an Awaken Eucharistic Adoration in your area.

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!



New to the parish? Perhaps you are thinking of a way in which you can contribute more to the 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 pre-exam, 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 welcome to the Body of Christ **Wesley Fragoso, Harper Gillis, Emmett Kopp and Rylee Molnar** (pictured above - names are in alphabetical order) as they were Baptized on Sunday, August 19, here at St. Gerald by

Father Krzysztof Nowak. May they continue to grow in faith surrounded by the loving support of their families and the St. Gerald community.





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:

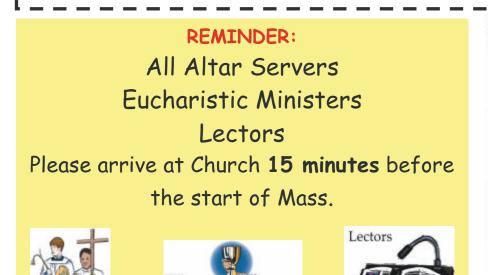
Managing your donations anytime. Changes are immediate. Credit Cards are accepted, as well as Bank EFT's. Donations can be made to Archdiocesan Campaigns (Except CSA). Examples are Peter Pence, Catholic Relief, Catholic Charities, etc. Ability to view giving history at any time.

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.



Eucharistic





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

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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!

We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone. — *Ranald Reagan*



Monday, August 27 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass

Tuesday, August 28 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help

> Wednesday, August 29 No Mass

Thursday, August 30 6:20 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour

Friday, August 31 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 8:00 PM AA Meeting

Saturday, September 1 First Saturday 9:15 AM Mass 3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, September 2 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Botsford Commons Visit 8:30 AM Mass 10:15 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass 1:00 PM K of C Officer Installation

WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF

THE SOULS OF

ANN VALASEK

October 15, 1917 August 14, 2018

AND

CHARLES MINEAR

SEPTEMBER 2, 1933 August 18, 2018



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO ANN AND CHARLES O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM **ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Knights Corner Newest Membe

Newest Members Matt Hunsinger, Jerry Weigold Debut at Pot Luck Dinner

A dinnertime shower failed to put a damper on the 2018 Pot Luck dinner which was celebrated by 49 Knights, spouses and offspring. One of the evening highlights was the introduction of the "New Guys" – our newest members, Matt Hunsinger and Jerry Weigold. Another highlight was the presentation of commemorative plaques to Knight of the Year, PGK Rich Smith and to Family of the Year, PGK Fred and Diane Gerometta, our hosts for the night.

Matt Hunsinger took his First Degree July 9. A Livonia resident, he was introduced to our Council as a passenger on the Casino bus accompanying his mother Phyllis Hunsinger, a parish member. Jerry took his First Degree on August 15. He and wife Kim are long-time parish volunteers. She has served on several commissions. He was a member of the transition team involved with the merger with St. Alexander Parish. He most recently completed a term as the parish representative to the South Oakland Vicariate. Welcome aboard. guys.



Next Sunday is another first Sunday of the month, a time which our Council has agreed to provide the support at the Noon Mass. If you are a Eucharistic Minister, Usher or Lector and can assist, give Program Director Tom McPhail a call at 248-875-1185. If you and your spouse would like to become a Eucharistic Minister or a Lector, give Tom a call as well. A training session will be scheduled for each ministry.

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 Center 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, which 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 your August issue of *Columbia*, the monthly K of C magazine, is still around, it is worth a second look, especially the article by Soren Johnson on page 7, "The Science of Fatherhood." He points out that "As a father you really matter" contrary to what our modern culture tells us. "You are needed at home and in the wider world to do things only a dad can do. You can make all the difference in the lives of your children no matter their age." For more go to www.fathersforgood.@kofc.org.

	Office Hours		
	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday. (secretary at lunch 12:00 pm—12:30 pm)	Rite of Reconciliation:Sacrament of the Sick:Saturdays from 3:30-4:30PMPlease call the office.	
	<u>STAFF</u>	•	
Parish Office (248) 477-7470 Reverend Krzysztof Nowak, Pastor		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	
	v , e,	Matrimony:	
All other offices dial (248) 476-7677		St. Gerald Parish is pleased to marry registered parishioners and their children. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of	
	Christian Services Matthew Yokom: Christian Service Coordinatorx 204 Email: myokom.sgp@gmail.com	the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office	
	St. Vincent de Paul	Registration of new members:	
	Education	Please see Fr. Kris after Mass or call the Parish Office. Registration forms are located on the shelf in the classroom hallway and the	
	Mary Taylor: Director Religious Education	gathering space of the church for your convenience. After you fill it out,	
	Email: marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com	just give it to Fr. Kris or drop it off in the Parish Office. Thank you!	
	Music Ministry Mary Melonio	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.	
	Worship Ministry	WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. GERALD CATHOLIC PARISH!	
		If you are new to the area, we look forward to meeting you personally. If	
	Youth Ministry Corrugano Lucori	you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic faith, we	
Gerryanna Luscri		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-	
	Maintenance Accountant	7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a	
	Tom Kruger Kim Shepard	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.

SACRAMENTS



