

THE VOICE

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

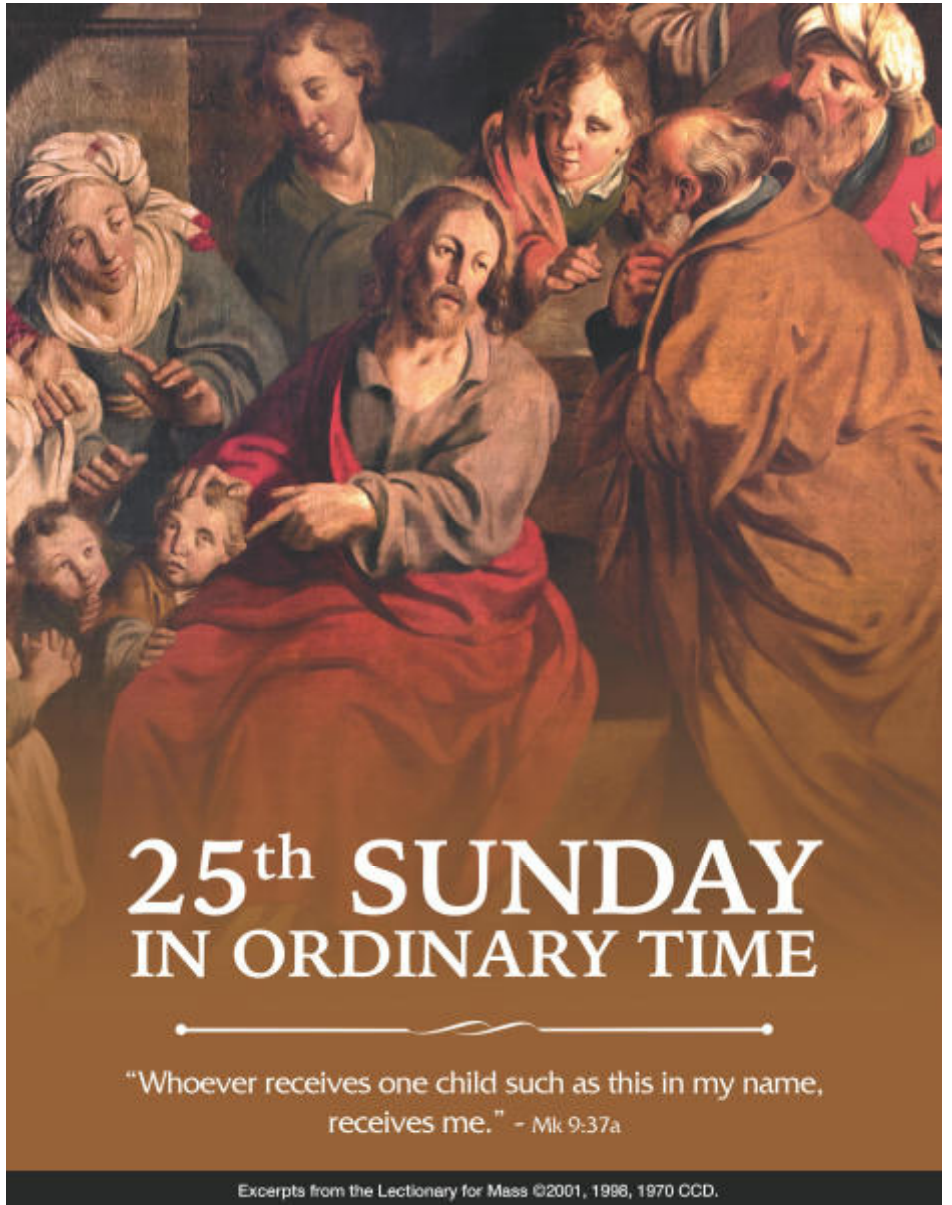
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



**25th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name,
receives me.” – Mk 9:37a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1986, 1970 CCD.

CSA GOAL REACHED!

**Thank you to everyone who contributed
to our CSA Campaign this year.
With your help, we were able to meet our goal.
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MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 24 - SEPTEMBER 28



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

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Michael Stec
 Requested by Milkiewicz Family

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Ed Fenech
 Requested by Yolanda Fenech

Friday 9:15 AM
Nicholas Tuz
 Requested by Betty Tuz

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: PRV 3:27-34/PS 15:2-3A, 3BC-4AB, 5 [1]/
 LK 8:16-18
TUESDAY: PRV 21:1-6, 10-13/PS 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35,
 44 [35]/LK 8:19-21
WEDNESDAY: PRV 30:5-9/PS 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104,
 163 [105]/LK 9:1-6
THURSDAY: ECCL 1:2-11/PS 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 AND
 17BC [1]/LK 9:7-9
FRIDAY: ECCL 3:1-11/PS 144:1B AND 2ABC, 3-4 [1]/
 LK 9:18-22
SATURDAY: DN 7:9-10, 13-14 OR RV 12:7-12A/PS 138:1-
 2AB, 2CDE-3, 4-5 [1]/JN 1:47-51
NEXT SUNDAY: NM 11:25-29/PS 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9A]/
 JAS 5:1-6/MK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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 (FOR A LIST OF DAILY READINGS: GO TO [HTTP://WWW.USCCB.ORG/NAB](http://www.usccb.org/nab))

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of September 2... \$ 11,303.00
 Budget Offertory for Weekend of September 2... \$ 9,096.00
 Actual Offertory July 1 - September 2... \$ 78,936.00
 Budget Offertory July 1 - September 2... \$ 81,864.00

Please pray for:

	Sofia Weiland	
Doug Foley	Karen Hall	Kimberly Thompson
Tim O'Brien	Jim Sockow	Erin Malloy
Beth Croitori	Rose Hickey	Wanda Reiner
Linda Malloy	Roberta Provenzano	Pat Fanilone
Ralph Wenski	Yolanda Fenech	Nancy Kolliker
Anna Iadipaolo	Thomas Jacques	Genevieve Browne
Joan Goniea	Shel Levine	Gerry Maxey

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM September 29 Fr. Kris		
For William Strick Requested by Dennis & Sharon Weberlein	Servers	Adrianna Gerhart Isabella Gerhart
	Lector/ Ushers	Alice Sheehan 5:00B
8:30 AM September 30 Fr. Roodbeen		
For Walter Winiarski Requested by Victor Winiarski	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Candy Rosowski 8:30C
10:15 AM September 30 Fr. Kris		
For All Our Parishioners	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Gerryanna Luscri 10:15B
12:00 PM September 30 Fr. Kris		
For Bernice Barduca Requested by Steve & Diane Bonadeo	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Rob Seely 12:00A

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week

September 29 and September 30
 Team A

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



**October 13 and 14 -
 St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Days**

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.



**ONLINE GIVING FOR PRIEST
 RETIREMENT FUND COLLECTION**

Those who wish to give to the Priest Retirement Fund through the online **must do so by September 23**. Envelopes are also on the bookcase in the gathering space of the church if you choose to make your donation by cash or check. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



Do you know someone who would like to become a full member of the Catholic Church? Have you been baptized and need to be confirmed or receive First Eucharist? What is the RCIA process?

Is God calling you to become a full member of the Catholic Church? Please come to the RCIA. Are you getting the feeling that you should be learning more about your relationship with God and how He works in your life by becoming a full member of the Catholic Church? Please come to the RCIA. Do you have questions? Come to the RCIA. To join, speak to Fr. Kris after Mass or call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470.

WHAT IS MERCY DAY IN ACTION?

Mercy Day began in 2016 during Pope Francis’s year of mercy. Catholic Charities of Michigan and the Archdiocese of Detroit began a day of service focusing on the different works of mercy both corporal and spiritual. This year on October 20th, we will once again participate in Mercy Day in Action by doing both corporal and spiritual works. St. Fabian will be the host parish this year and there will be five projects in which we will take part in. Three of them will be out in the community and two of them will be on site right at St. Fabian. Our projects will consist of assembling birthing kits for Global Health Charities, assembling Halloween bags for St. Christine’s, and our third project will be writing cards for Veterans and members of Children’s Hospital. We will also be traveling to some offsite projects. These will consist of cleaning the grounds at both C.A.R.E.S. of Farmington Hills and the Salvation Army. We begin the day with breakfast at 8:30 AM and a short prayer service and then proceed to begin our projects.

If you are interested in volunteering, please pick up a form on the table in the gathering space of the church and return it to the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please call Matt in the Christian Service Office at 248-476-7677 ext. 204.



FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK

How can I get some well needed exercise, visit a Detroit jewel, and help a worthy cause? The answer is to participate in the annual St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk on Belle Isle.

You can do this by registering online at www.FOPWALK.org and joining me on **Saturday, September 29th** at Belle Isle. When registering on-line, just choose St. Gerald as your beneficiary. Walkers can then solicit online donations or cash/check donations made to St. Gerald St. Vincent de Paul Conference. All donations will then go 100% to our parish conference.

Registration at Belle Isle is at 9:00 AM, and the walk begins at 10:00 AM. There is an \$11 State Park Recreation Pass required per vehicle entry. If you can’t join me for the walk, you can make a pledge on-line by going to www.FOPWALK.org and searching for my name. For more information, call Bob Kuhr at 248-888-9335.

A WARM WELCOME AND THANK YOU TO ALL OUR CATECHISTS

Many thanks to the following people who have answered the call to service as catechists in our Religious Formation program:



Rosa Russenberger, Lynne Gulick, Marisa Ferrari, Susan Hill, Mary Melonio, Joyce Kopp, Carolyn Arlen, Shirley Murray, Mary Power, Amy Gerhart, Barbie Reavis, and Angela Luscri. Thank you also to our other Religious Formation support volunteers: **Sharon Weberlein and Laurel Hoetger.** If you would like to

volunteer, in any way, with the Religious formation program or become involved with the Education Commission, please call Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201. I would also like to invite all members of the parish to join the children and catechists in church for our prayer service each week before classes, Monday at 5:30 PM and Tuesday at 5:15 PM. Middle School students will gather for prayer every other Sunday at 7:00 PM.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES STARTING SEPTEMBER 24TH AND 25TH

If you are new to the parish or did not have a child in the program last year, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677 ext. 201 or via email at marvtaylor.sgp@gmail.com and a registration form will be mailed to you.

Elementary classes, grades 1-6, will begin September 24th and 25th, Monday sessions meeting from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM and Tuesday sessions meet from 5:00 PM to 6:15 PM. Students in the Confirmation program, grades 7 and 8, will attend their first session on Sunday, September 30th from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. The Sunday School program, for 4 and 5 year olds, also begins on Sunday, September 30th during the 10:15 AM Mass. Please contact Mary Taylor if you have any questions.



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.*

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

begins this weekend on September 23rd during the 10:15 AM Mass.



Children in grades Kindergarten through 4th Grade are welcome!

If you would like more information on volunteering for this important ministry for the children of our parish, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677 ext. 201 or email marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com.



WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF **MARGARET DANKO** + JUNE 5, 1922 SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO MARGARET O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER.



- ◆ Our first Teen Top Pick Night will be on Wednesday, October 3rd from 7 - 9 PM. Come join us for food, games and discussion; topic to be determined.
- ◆ Volunteer families are needed for hosting Sunday Fellowship on October 7th at the 8:30, 10:15 and Noon Masses. See sign up sheet at church entrance.
- ◆ Team Solanus needs YOU! See the sign up sheets at the church entrance for more information.

Our goals to Gather, Grow and Give continue. Come join us and be involved!

SYATP (SEE YOU AT THE POLE)

A Day of Student Prayer across the Nation! Get your bracelet in the gathering space of the church and meet other students at YOUR SCHOOL to pray for your school, families, churches and communities.

For over 25 years, *See You at the Pole* has been about one simple act—prayer. SYATP is still about students uniting themselves in prayer before God interceding for their generation.

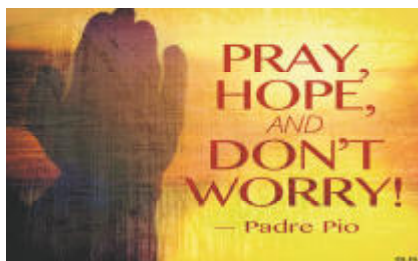
There are two opportunities to unite in prayer with your friends:

DAY: SEE YOU AT THE POLE day is on Wednesday, September 26 at 7:00 AM. All around the globe, in every time zone, students will be gathering at their flagpoles, praying for their school, friends, families, churches, and communities. SEE YOU AT THE POLE is a day committed to global unity in Christ and prayer for your generation.

WEEK: The GLOBAL WEEK OF STUDENT PRAYER (Sunday, September 23 through Saturday, September 29) encourages students to find new and unique ways, places, and times to pray throughout the week. Whether you attend PUBLIC SCHOOL, PRIVATE SCHOOL or HOME SCHOOL, gather your friends wherever and whenever and pray! The GLOBAL WEEK OF STUDENT PRAYER is dedicated to prayer and launching your on-campus Bible clubs, prayer strategies, and student ministries.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE 2018

Commit to pray for students around the globe as they gather for See You at the Pole on September 26, 2018!



FLU SHOTS

Flu shots will be administered on Sunday, October 14, 2018, 9:30 AM-12:00 PM. We need to know approximate numbers, there is a sign up sheet at the Health Ministry information table in the social hall.



BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Screening will coincide with Fellowship Sunday on the last weekend of each month after the 8:30 and 10:15 Masses. Look for us in the social hall. The dates are as follows: November 18, December 16, January 20, February 17, March 17, May 19. I will need volunteers to help take Blood Pressures, please Barbara Seabolt at 248-477-4752 or email blseabolt@att.net if you can help, or would like to be trained.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS BULLETIN

Each month we will have different topics available at the Health Ministry table. Please let me know at the above number if you have any special topic request.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVES

(contact Christian Service)

February 17, 2019 (8:00 AM to 2:00 PM) and
July 14, 2019 (8:00 AM to 2:00 PM)



Let us welcome our newest members to St. Gerald. They are:

Anuli Aliche and Family

and

Bianca Seely

We are glad you are here!

LEARNING MORE TO BE CLOSER TO CHRIST

There are a number of Catholic guide books in the pews of our church. These are helpful books of explanation about our faith and the Mass. Feel free to use them for reference, but please do not take these from the pews.

EVANGELIZATION UPDATES . . .

Plan to visit our **Faith Booth**, hosted by St. Gerald, St. Fabian, and Our Lady of Sorrows Parishes, during the Italian Day at the Farmington Farmers Market on Saturday, September 29th. A special blessing by Fr. Kris at 9:00 AM will be followed by the St. Francis procession. It will be a day full of festivities, music and good food to enjoy. Volunteer opportunities still available, contact Gerryanna Luscri 248-476-7677 ext. 208.

Team Solanus is coming to St. Gerald...this is a ministry of welcoming and helpfulness to show love and care for our parish members and visitors. If you are interested in learning more, leave your name on the information sheet at the church entrance or call Gerryanna Luscri.

Rest in Peace. In an effort to keep informed and pray for our recently deceased parish members, we will begin to post death notices on the bulletin board at the church entrance. Please keep these souls and their families in your prayers.

THE
**WEEK
AHEAD**

Monday, September 24

8:40 AM Rosary
9:15 AM Mass
5:30 PM Elementary Religious Formation

Tuesday, September 25

8:40 AM Rosary
9:15 AM Mass
9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help
5:00 PM Elementary Religious Formation

Wednesday, September 26

No Mass

Thursday, September 27

12:00 PM Pinochle
6:20 PM Rosary
7:00 PM Mass
7:45 PM Holy Hour

Friday, September 28

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

Saturday, September 29

3:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, September 30

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Botsford Commons Visit
8:30 AM Mass
10:15 AM K of C Family Communion Mass
10:15 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:15 AM Sunday School
12:00 PM Mass
7:00 PM Confirmation Classes

**We welcome to the
Body of Christ**
Blissful Obinauju Gospel-Okereke,
Grateful Kamsiyonna Gospel-Okereke,
Triumph Onyedikachi Gospel-Okereke,
and
Awesome Ijeoma Okereke



*baptized Sunday,
September 16, 2018
by Rev. Krzysztof Nowak*

Like Jesus we belong to the world
living not for ourselves but for others.
-St. Teresa of Kolkata

ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING UPDATE



On September 30th, Electronic Giving to St. Gerald Parish through Catholic Vantage Financial will be ending. If you were enrolled in electronic giving through Catholic Vantage, your electronic donations to the church will stop on September 30th. Our new program of Online Giving of Donations through Simplegive is now available. Please visit our Parish Website at stgeraldparish.org and click on Online Giving to get started or pick up the instruction sheets on the bookcase in the gathering space of the church. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.

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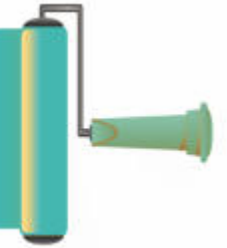
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