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

MASS SCHEDULE

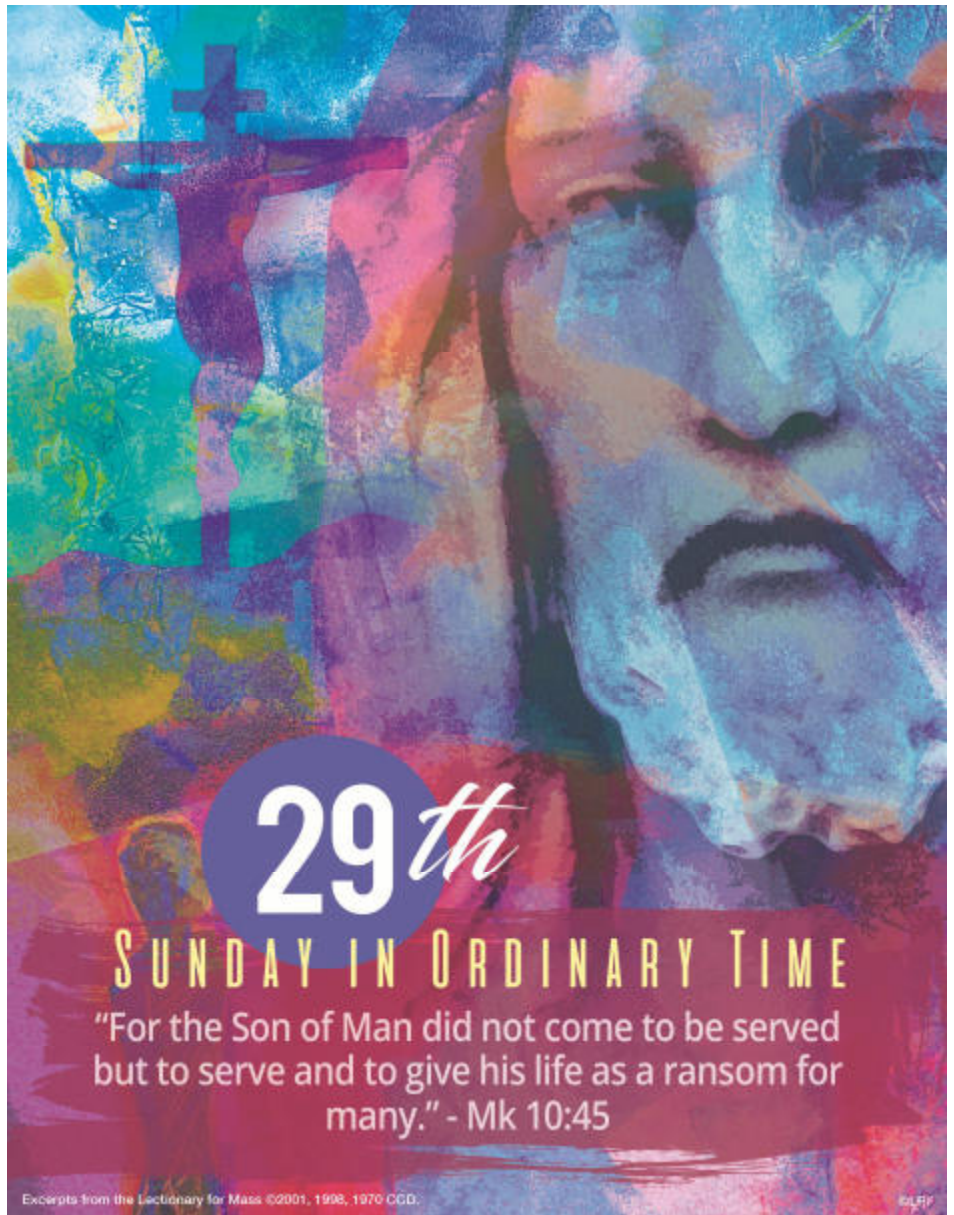
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATION TRUCK

will be here for your donations on
on the weekend of October 27 and 28.

MASS INTENTIONS
OCTOBER 22 - OCTOBER 26



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

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Joseph Batalucco
Requested by Marylou Knight

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Ted Sudol
Requested by Friend

Friday 9:15 AM
Maury Haezebrouck
Requested by Diane Petter

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: EPH 2:1-10/PS 100:1B-2, 3, 4AB, 4C-5 [3B]/
LK 12:13-21
TUESDAY: EPH 2:12-22/PS 85:9AB-10, 11-12, 13-14
[CF. 9]/LK 12:35-38
WEDNESDAY: EPH 3:2-12/IS 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6 [CF. 3]/
LK 12:39-48
THURSDAY: EPH 3:14-21/PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 [5B]/
LK 12:49-53
FRIDAY: EPH 4:1-6/PS 24:1-2, 3-4AB, 5-6 [CF. 6]/
LK 12:54-59
SATURDAY: EPH 4:7-16/PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5 [1]/
LK 13:1-9
NEXT SUNDAY: JER 31:7-9/PS 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/
HEB 5:1-6/MK 10:46-52

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

Please pray for:

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



Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith - to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

Those who wish to give to the World Mission Sunday collection through the [online giving program](#), can do so now thru October 28, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

OCTOBER 28, 2018
THIRTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM			October 27	Fr. Kris
For Lyda Del Rosario Requested by Mary Taylor & Mary Hoots	Servers	Eli Gerhart Adrianna Gerhart		
	Lector/ Ushers	Diane Blankenship 5:00B		
8:30 AM			October 28	Fr. Kris
For Ken Hartsig Requested by Victor Winiarski	Servers	Servers Needed		
	Lector/ Ushers	Paul Borchert 8:30A		
10:15 AM			October 28	Fr. Kris
For Gerry Makowski Requested by Margaret Makowski	Servers	Servers Needed		
	Lector/ Ushers	Caron Kott 10:15C		
12:00 PM			October 28	Fr. Roodbeen
For John Dillon	Servers	Servers Needed		
	Lector/ Ushers	Paul Radzilowski 12:00A		

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week

October 27 and October 28

Team A

Team #1 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, October 28 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of October 7 ..	\$ 11,896.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of October 7 ..	\$ 9,096.00
Actual Offertory July 1 - October 7	\$138,339.00
Budget Offertory July 1 - October 7	\$136,440.00



Trunk-or-Treat



Saturday, October 27th,
6:30 PM-8:30 PM

South parking lot of St. Gerald
Parish

Fill your trunks with candy and
treats to share

Costumes optional Rain or shine!
A parish celebration of Hallow-eve!

Followed by a Knights of
Columbus cookout in the Social Hall
Free will offering appreciated.

**Kids of All
Ages Welcome!**

RSVP to


gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

or

marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com

with number attending by
October 21st,
if possible



Help is needed for decorating and set up for Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 27th. Bring friends to share in the fun, food, and treats galore!  Come enjoy a night of trick or treating, bonfire and fun from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.



All teens are invited to help at Fellowship Sunday on November 4th. Sign up for any of the Sunday Masses on the main entrance board.

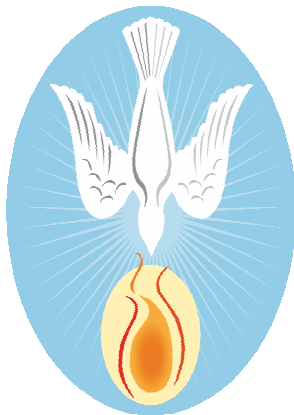


Our next Teen Top Pick discussion and games night is on Monday, November 5th from 5:30 to 6:45 PM. Also on November 10th and 11th St. Gerald will have a Food Drive.

Details on this event coming soon.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Our Mass of Remembrance is coming up on Friday, November 2 at 7:00 PM. We will celebrate the Eucharistic Liturgy for all those who were buried from our parish community since last year. There will be a reception with light refreshments afterwards. In a special way, our Book of Remembrance is placed out for the month of November as a way to remember our loved ones as well. You may fill in names of your beloved dead. We pray that they enjoy the Heavenly Banquet Christ has prepared for them.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI

This weekend, on Sunday, October 21st, seventeen young people will be received as full members of the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation conferred by Bishop Donald Hanchon. We congratulate them as they continue on their faith journey. They are: **Peter Baracco, Henry Burns-Pavlik, Sara Dennison, Edward Doulette, Eli Gerhart, Angela Guerra, Jacqueline Hoerner, Ryan Hulbert, Steven Ihm, Claire Pagnucco, Nino Rrethatokaj, Hannah Smith, Molly Swaine, Kevin Szwarc, Carlos Tello, Allison Thomson, and Benjamin Weber.** Please continue to keep them, their sponsors and their families in your prayers.

HALLOWEEN

At Sacred Heart Major Seminary

It's that time of the year again! Halloween is just around the corner and Sacred Heart Major Seminary needs your help. Each year the seminary community opens their doors and hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. But they need your help to make this year a success! They are asking for donations of Halloween candy that will then be passed out to the many children who visit the seminary. If you are willing to participate in this important ministry by donating bags of Halloween candy, please bring your candy to the bins located in the vestibule of the church or the Religious Formation Office. Thank you for your continued generosity in placing a smile on God's children.



Let us welcome our newest members, they are:

Gail Delafose

Bonnie Howitz

Susan Wiktor

Welcome to St. Gerald.

We are glad you are here!

FOOD DRIVE

HELP US FEED FAMILIES FOR
THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS IN 2018!!!

As we have in past years, we will be providing food to those in our community who can use assistance.

Please note that grocery bags are available for your use with the below lists attached. It is our hope that you can fill a grocery bag. Bags are due back by November 11.

Items Requested this year:

- ◆ **\$10 or \$20** Grocery Gift Cards for Turkey/meat from Kroger, Meijer, Busch's or Aldi's
- ◆ Cereal/Oatmeal/Cocoa
- ◆ Cranberry Sauce
- ◆ Tuna/Tuna Helper
- ◆ Macaroni and Cheese
- ◆ Crackers
- ◆ Pancake Mix/Syrup
- ◆ Canned Yams
- ◆ Peanut Butter and Jelly
- ◆ Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta
- ◆ Canned Vegetables and Canned Fruit
- ◆ Cream of Mushroom Soup
- ◆ Cornbread Mix

QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL
Christian Service at 248-476-7677, ext. 204

NOTE . . . The SVDP Conference here at St. Gerald would like our parishioners to know that if any of you are in need of any assistance for Thanksgiving or Christmas, please reach out to us at 248-476-7677, ext. 220 or Christian Service and request help. Your information is kept completely confidential.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Today, Jesus professes in St. Mark's Gospel, *whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant*. The Book of the Prophet Isaiah and the Letter to the Hebrews also indicate examples of Christ's humility for us to model. In other words, glory in God's Kingdom is not achieved through high status or rank, like the secular world proclaims, but through being a humble servant to all. This includes service to the poor among us. In a spirit of evangelization, expressed through stewardship, we strive to offer our time, talent, and treasure in thanksgiving to God to our parish and other worthy causes. Every parish community is always in need of readers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Parish Pastoral Council members, Finance Council members, Evangelization and Stewardship Committee members, and school volunteers, to name a few ways to in which we can serve God through the Church. God graces everyone with at least one unique gift to use to build up the Kingdom that no one else can do. To discover your gifts, attend a *Called and Gifted* seminar in your area.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, October 22

8:40 AM Rosary
9:15 AM Mass
9:45 AM Divine Mercy
5:30 PM Elementary Religious Formation

Tuesday, October 23

8:40 AM Rosary
9:15 AM Mass
9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help/Divine Mercy

Wednesday, October 24

No Mass

Thursday, October 25

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

Friday, October 26

8:40 AM Rosary
9:15 AM Mass
9:45 AM Divine Mercy
8:00 PM AA Meeting

Saturday, October 27

**Bundle Days
Trunk or Treat**

3:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, October 28

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bundle Days

Botsford Commons visit

8:30 AM Mass
10:15 AM Mass
10:15 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:15 AM Sunday School
12:00 PM Mass
7:00 PM Confirmation Class



ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING UPDATE

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.

CALLED TO SERVE

Teens working with children in the church are asked to attend a Called to Serve workshop. St. Fabian will be hosting the Called to Serve workshop on Wednesday, November 14th from 6-9 PM in their social hall.

What is Called to Serve training?

Called to Serve is an interactive safe environment training program for teens in our Catholic High Schools and Parishes. Participants leave empowered to:

- Use talents to effectively & responsibly serve others
- Work with and be role models for children
- Communicate and partner with adult supervisors
- Interact appropriately with peers
- Recognize and respond to inappropriate behavior
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Who is required to attend Called to Serve workshops?

- All tenth grade students in Catholic High Schools
- Teens grades 9-12 who are church and/or Catholic School employees
- Teens grades 9-12 who volunteer with children

All other teens in grades 9-12 are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Contact Kimberly Kerwin Youth Ministry Coordinator at St. Fabian Catholic School (248) 553-2750

MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE

To inform the Archdiocese of Detroit regarding the sexual abuse of minors by priests, deacons and other Church personnel and/or to speak to the Victim Assistance Coordinator contact: (866) 343-8055. A caller will be requested to provide his or her name and telephone number. All calls regarding complaints of sexual abuse will be returned in a timely manner. This toll-free number has been established as part of an effort by the Detroit archdiocese to protect children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within archdiocesan institutions and ministries only. Persons with such complaints are also encouraged to directly contact law enforcement authorities.

2018 NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING SUPPORT & EDUCATION SERIES: DEEPER REFLECTIONS - October 30th at Sacred Heart Major Seminary—Pregnancy Loss and Grief

Far too many have been touched by pregnancy loss and the accompanying grief it brings. How can we remain open to life in such demanding and devastating circumstances? How can we begin to heal the pain we experience? This month we'll offer support, understanding, prayers and a listening ear to couples living with the grief of pregnancy loss. **RSVP to nfp@aod.org and visit www.aod.org/nfp for upcoming dates and more information!**

WANTED



MEN

WOMEN

YOUTH

Training provided

www.stgeraldworship@gmail.com or 248-476-7677, ext. 202



Knights Corner

Farmington Food Drive November 10-11 is First of Three Council Projects in November

A food drive in Farmington’s Alta Loma neighborhood is the biggest of three projects being undertaken by the Knights in November. Organized by brothers Shatomi Kerbawy and Michael Rometty, the food drive will take place November 10 and 11. Food collected will go to the St. Gerald St. Vincent de Paul pantry and to CARES, the Farmington Hills Community pantry that took over the St. Alexander pantry. Also, toiletries will be sent to the Shower Program for the homeless at the Samaritan Center in Detroit.

Another November project will be the collection of sweatshirts for the kids at Holy Cross Children’s Services, the former Boystown. PGK Rich Smith is leading this project. He seeks large or XL sweatshirts with a college or team logo from the parish community, including Council families. Watch for an announcement in future issues of *The Voice*.



Near the end of the month Brother Brian Gulick will announce plans for the Council to again offer magnetic manger scenes bearing the message “Keep Christ in Christmas.” Our Council is joining other Councils in sponsoring billboards bearing the same message. It is part of a national K of C program to remind Americans that Christmas is a religious holiday celebrating the birth of Christ.

With the new year just around the corner, Brother Ken May is developing a new meeting chow menu which will be expand to once a month, starting in January. Introduced in 2018, meeting chow proved to be an every other month event. If a Knight has a special meal he likes to prepare, he should confer with May to see if can be included in the program.

Space still is available for the all Knights Retreat at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center December 7-9. Sponsored by the State K of C, the weekend event is an opportunity for you to recharge your spiritual battery. A suggested donation of \$215 covers two nights lodging and five meals. The retreat opens Friday evening with dinner and closes Sunday morning after Mass and breakfast. For a reservation, call Cathy at 313-286-2801. A \$30 deposit will hold your place.

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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Youth Ministry

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Email: gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

- Maintenance
Tom Kruger

- Accountant
Kim Shepard

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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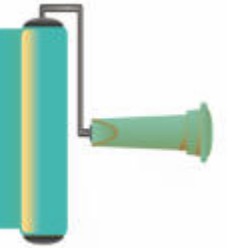
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