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NOVEMBER 4, 2018

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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

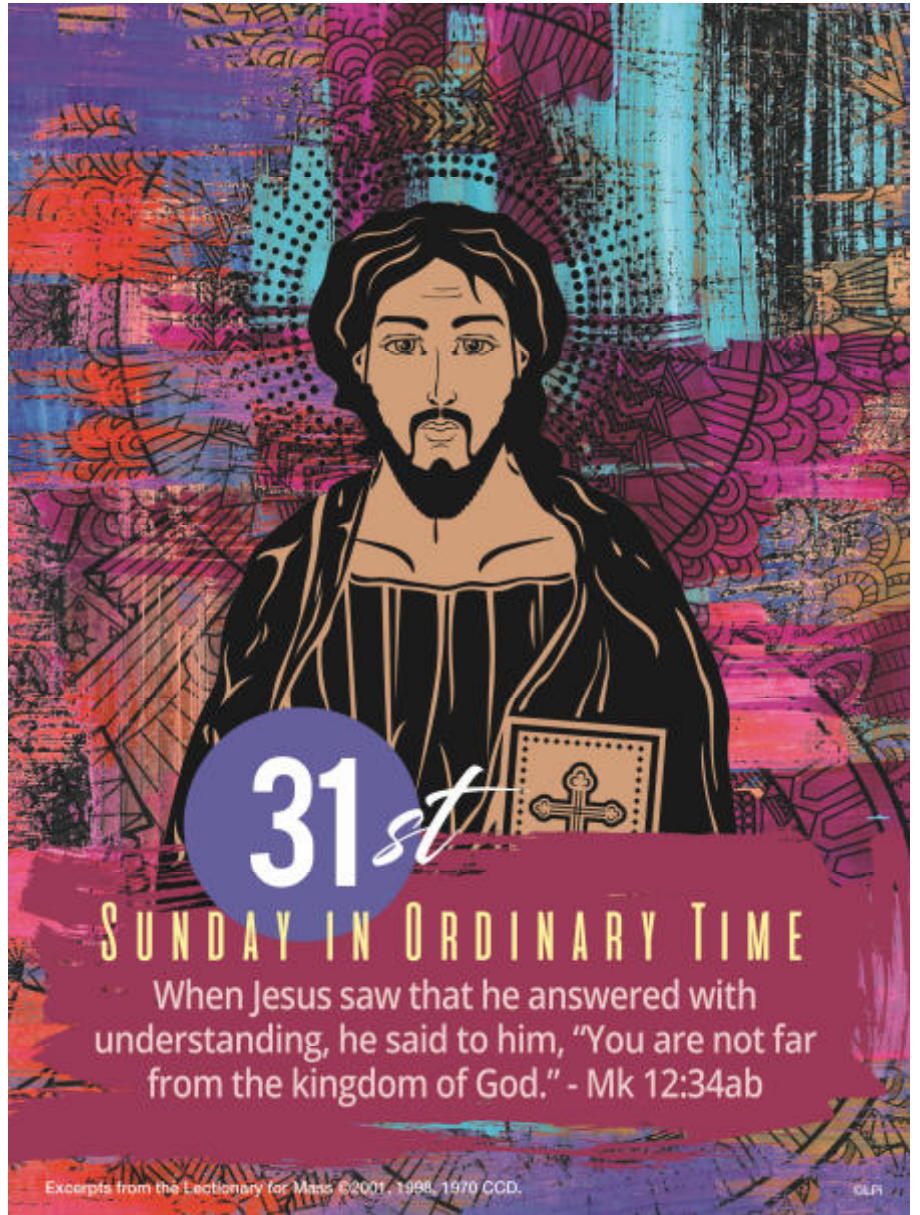
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m.
and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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


RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



**Mark your calendars for the
annual Fall Clean-up of our the parish grounds on
Saturday, November 10th from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.**

Dress for the weather and bring with you your rakes, pruners, trowels, shovels and gloves. If you have a rototiller and are able to bring it, that would be very helpful. Donations of brown lawn waste bags are also needed. Please place your donated bags in the box labeled in the Social Hall. Your donation is very much appreciated! A pizza lunch will be provided. Help us make our grounds look great along with our beautiful new parking lot. Please call John McLoughlin at 248-477-2477; Diane Gerometta at 248-471-2642; Gerryanna Luscri at 248-476-7677, ext. 208; or Johanna Ward at 248-478-2849 if you have any questions.



MASS INTENTIONS
NOVEMBER 5 - NOVEMBER 9

Monday 9:15 AM
Henry Coats
 Requested by Brenda Hayes

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Onochie Family Intentions
 Requested by Friend

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Frances Casey
 Requested by John Casey

Friday 9:15 AM
Arlene Lashdrok
 Requested by Koenig Family


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: PHIL 2:1-4/PS 131:1BCDE, 2, 3/LK 14:12-14
TUESDAY: PHIL 2:5-11/PS 22:26B-27, 28-30AB, 30E, 31-32 [26A]/LK 14:15-24
WEDNESDAY: PHIL 2:12-18/PS 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1A]/ LK 14:25-33
THURSDAY: PHIL 3:3-8A/PS 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3B]/LK 15:1-10
FRIDAY: EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/PS 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 COR 3:9C-11, 16-17/JN 2:13-22
SATURDAY: PHIL 4:10-19/PS 112:1B-2, 5-6, 8A AND 9/ LK 16:9-15
NEXT SUNDAY: 1 KGS 17:10-16/PS 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1B]/ HEB 9:24-28/MK 12:38-44 OR 12:41-44

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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 October 21 ..	\$ 8,683.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of October 21 ..	\$ 9,096.00
Actual Offertory July 1 - October 21	\$153,778.00
Budget Offertory July 1 - October 21	\$154,632.00



ADVENT TEA
Wednesday, December 5
at 6:00 PM
in the Parish Social Hall
Cost is \$12.00 Per Person

Watch the Voice, more information to come!



NOVEMBER 11, 2018		
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY		
IN ORDINARY TIME		
5:00 PM November 10 Fr. Kris		
For Alzada Dolencic Requested by Dennis & Sharon Weberlein	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Ellen Stacey 5:00B
8:30 AM November 11 Fr. Kris		
For Josephine Soave Requested by Family	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Candy Rosowski 8:30C
10:15 AM November 11 Fr. Puzio		
For Mary Jane Bozek Requested by Gloria & Ron Bozak	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Angela McLoughlin 10:15B
12:00 PM November 11 Fr. Puzio		
For All Our Parishioners	Servers	Servers Needed
	Lector/ Ushers	Sharon McCarthy 12:00A

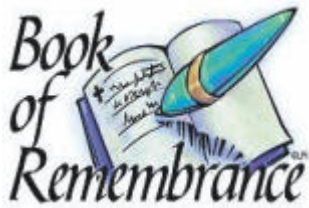
Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week
November 10 and November 11
 Team C

Team #2 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, November 11 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

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 Iadipaolo	Genevieve Browne	Gerry Maxey
Joan Goniea	Yolanda Fenech	Pam Akey
Shel Levine	Joyce LaMarra	Thomas Jacques

“BE CONFIDENT, INVOKE OUR LADY”
 Come join us on Saturday, November 10 from 8:00 AM until Noon. Father Marko Djonovic will be saying a Mass at 9:00 AM, followed by a talk and refreshments here at St. Gerald. Cost \$12 at the door.
 For more information call (248) 599-4544.



In a special way, our Book of Remembrance is placed out for the month of November as a way to remember our loved ones. You may fill in names of your beloved dead. We pray that they enjoy the Heavenly Banquet Christ has prepared for them.

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 14, 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 and 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

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

WANTED



MEN WOMEN YOUTH

Training provided

www.stgeraldworship@gmail.com or

248-476-7677, ext. 202

Children of the parish, preschool-5th grade, are invited to participate in the *St. Gerald* Gospel Enactment of the Christmas Story at the 6:00 Christmas Eve Mass.



There will be one rehearsal on Saturday, December 15th at 11:00 AM in the church. Please contact Mary Taylor by December 5th to sign up, 248-476-7677, ext. 201 or marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com.

ON THE RISE BAKERY

Next weekend, members from *On the Rise Bakery* will once again be coming to sell their baked goods. This bakery is located in Detroit and is part of the Capuchin community. Their ministry is to employ people who are recently released from prison. The work of their mission at the bakery is to give a place to those men who are trying to get back on their feet; some of the employees have been out of prison for a month, while some have been out for a few years. The members of the bakery were here last year and it was a huge success, so I encourage you to once again stop by the social hall after mass next weekend and pick up some of the goodies that will be available. Have a great week! Matt Yokom



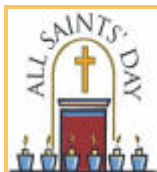
Food Pantry Needs . . .

- Brown grocery bags
- Canned Soup
- Juice



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 need help with setting up your online giving or have any questions, please come to the social hall after Mass this weekend as someone will be available to assist you and answer your questions about our new online giving program with Simplegive.** Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.



Those who wish to give to All Saints Day through online giving, can do so now through November 8. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

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 lists are available for your use
on the table in the main entrance of the church. It is our
hope that you can fill a grocery bag.

Food 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



LIFESPAN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Lifespan Christmas cards will be available for
purchase after all the Masses the weekends of
November 10 and 11 and November 17 and 18.



PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

#PrayForTheChurch



WE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
ANN MARIE WILTSIE

+
AUGUST 29, 1925
OCTOBER 22, 2018

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO
ANN MARIE O LORD, AND MAY
PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER.

A WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 5

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



Tuesday, November 6

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

Wednesday, November 7

K of C Casino Bus Trip
7:00 PM Youth Group Night
7:30 PM Choir Practice
No Mass

Thursday, November 8

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

Friday, November 9

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

Saturday, November 10

On The Rise Bakery
8:00 AM Evangelization Presentation
9:30 AM Parish Grounds Clean up
3:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, November 11

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Botsford Commons Visit
On The Rise Bakery
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



FAMILY-SERVICE PROJECT

There will be a Food Drive the weekend of November 10 and 11 in Downtown Farmington. All food proceeds will go to the C.A.R.E.S. and St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantries in our community.



We will go door-to-door on Saturday, November 10 from 10 AM to 3 PM to distribute collection bags to 500 homes. We will then collect and sort food donations on Sunday, November 11 from 10 AM to 1 PM.

This is a family-friendly service project. Everyone is invited to participate. Meet at 33455 Alta Loma Drive in Farmington on both days. Contact Shatomi Kerbawy at 248-434-7561 to sign up. Organized by St. Gerald Knights of Columbus.

A Great Evening of Music and Humor with Jerry Jacoby



Thank you to Ida Picano and Sue Connor for an Amazing dinner!



Our Religious Formation Families

Special thanks to Rachael Ayotte Imel, Edison Imel, Franklin Imel, Christie Connor, Cater Conner and Brady Connor for all their help in serving an cleaning up.



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.



Knights Corner

Helpers Needed Next Saturday and Sunday for the Big Council Food Drive

The big Council food drive is next week and your assistance is welcomed. Brothers Shatomi Kerbawy and Michael Rometty have again organized the project, which is centered in Farmington's Alta Loma neighborhood (roughly the area west of the library). Help is needed two mornings; Saturday, November 11 starting at 10 AM when donation bags are distributed door-to-door and Sunday at 10 AM when the filled bags are collected. Food collected will go to the St. Gerald food pantry and to C.A.R.E.S., the Farmington Hills Community Pantry that took over the St. Alexander property and pantry. Soaps and personal grooming projects will be sent to the Shower Program for the Homeless at the Samaritan Center on Detroit's east side. **If you can help a couple of hours either day or both days, give Shatomi a call at 248-434-7561. This is a perfect project for a husband and wife team.**

Be sure to mark your calendar with the adjusted date for the November Membership Meeting. Because of a schedule conflict, the Parish Council meeting was moved to the third Tuesday of the month, our usual meeting time. So we will meet November 13 with chow in the form of spaghetti served at 6:30 PM.

A big Thank You to the servers and chili providers who made this year's Trunk 'n' Treat a hit. The outside part of the night was a soggy mess, but inside was jamming. The crowd consumed an estimated 32 quarts of chili and 86 hot dogs. Hats off to our cooks: Dave Bednarski, Matthew Hunsinger, Barbara Lemanski, Candy Rosowski, Gerri McDonald, Barb Seabolt, and Joanne Croitori. Staffing the kitchen and the serving line were Bill Croitori, Pat McDonald, Dave Bednarski, Tom McPhail, Rich Smith, Rich Rosowski, Jerry Weigold and Matthew Hunsinger. What a Team!

Last weekend's membership drive resulted in two prospects and a former Knight returning to the fold after a 23 year absence. More details next week when the paperwork is completed.



Ken May finishes drywalling the closet addition.

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)

STAFF

Parish Office (248) 477-7470

- Reverend Krzysztof Nowak, Pastor x 203
- Mary Hoots, Administrative Assistant. x 212
- Email: stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com

All other offices dial (248) 476-7677

Christian Services

- Matthew Yokom: Christian Service Coordinator x 204
- Email: myokom.sgp@gmail.com

- St. Vincent de Paul x 220

Education

- Mary Taylor: Director Religious Education x 201
- Email: marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com

Music Ministry

- Mary Melonio x 222
- Cell: 734-578-4179 or Email: mmelonio@aol.com

- Worship Ministry x 202
- Email: stgeraldworship@gmail.com

Youth Ministry

- Gerryanna Luscri x 208
- 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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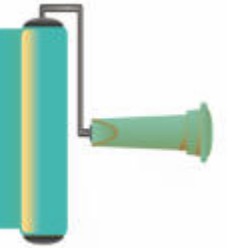
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