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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

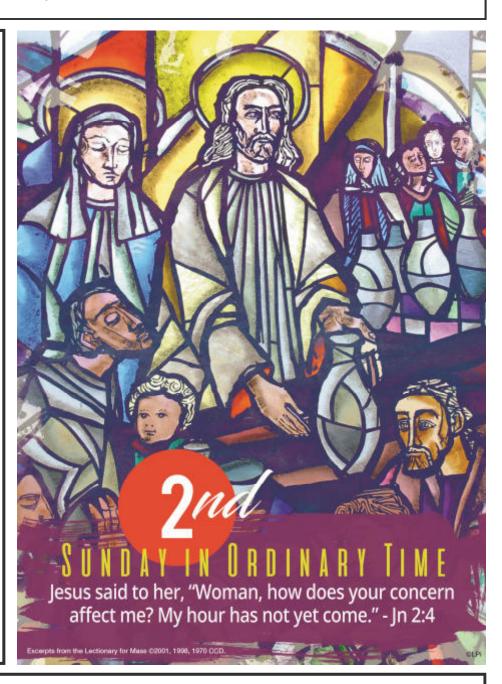
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.



Lost and Found



Through the past few months many items have been left in the church pews and throughout the building. Could one of them be yours? During your next visit to church, please take a look in the Lost and Found drawer, located in the cabinet in the gathering space of the church, in the lower left drawer. There are items such as hearing aids, keys, jewelry, etc., that have been found and we would love to see them find their way back home. Thank you!

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



JANUARY 21 - JANUARY 25

Monday 9:15 AM

Frank Jacques
Requested by
Richard and Lynn Smith

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Newell Bentley
Requested by Koenig Family

Wednesday
No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM
Matthew Thottam
Requested by Jessy Lukose

Friday 9:15 AM

Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer, Robrecht
and Goderman Families
Requested by C. Kemp

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: HEB 5:1-10/PS 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4B]/

Мк 2:18-22

TUESDAY: HEB 6:10-20/PS 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 AND 10C

[5]/MK 2:23-28

WEDNESDAY: HEB 7:1-3, 15-17/PS 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4B]/

Мк 3:1-6

THURSDAY: HEB 7:25—8:6/PS 40:7-8A, 8B-9, 10, 17

[8A AND 9A]/MK 3:7-12

FRIDAY: ACTS 22:3-16 OR ACTS 9:1-22/PS 117:1BC,

2 [MK 16:15]/MK 16:15-18

SATURDAY: 2 TM 1:1-8 OR TI 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2A, 2B-3,

7-8A, 10 [3]/MK 3:20-21

NEXT SUNDAY: NEH 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15

[CF. JN 6:63C]/1 COR 12:12-30 OR 1 COR

12:12-14, 27/LK 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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



Mardi Gras

March 2nd 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING

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.

JANUARY 27, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM	5:00 PM January 26 Fr. Puzio			
For All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Monica Murone 5:00A		
8:30 AM	January 27 Fr. Roodbeen			
For Marguerite Durant Requested by Tom & Kathryn Marshall	Lector/ Ushers	Ray Pisani 8:30B		
10:15 AM	January 27 Fr. Kris			
For Arlene & Tom McPhail Requested by Family	Lector/ Ushers	Caron Kott 10:15A		
12:00 PM	January 27 Fr. Kris			
For Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer, Robrecht & Goderman Families Requested by C. Kemp	Lector/ Ushers	Teddi Williams 12:00B		

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week January 26 and January 27

Team B

Team #1 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, January 20 following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of January 6 \$14,272.00

Budget Offertory for Weekend of January 6 \$9,096.00

Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of Jan. 6 \$265,805.00

Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of Jan. 6 \$254,688.00

Christmas 2018 Actual \$41,853.00

Christmas 2018 Budget \$30,000.00



Let us welcome our newest members.
They are:

Christopher and Mary Kay Kloote and Family

Welcome to St. Gerald. We are glad you are here!



MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

As many of you know, St. Gerald hosts a blood drive two times a year. Once in the winter and then again in the summer. Our first blood drive is fast approaching and will be taking place Sunday, February 24th from 8 AM - 2:00 PM in the social hall.

As always, there is a critical need for blood. If you have given blood before, we thank you and please consider doing it again, if you have never given blood before, please consider donating this year. WALK-INS ARE WELCOME.

To make this blood drive a success we are going to need not only donors but also volunteers to help with duties throughout the day. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer your time, please call the Christian Service Office at 248-476-7677, ext. 204. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this drive here at St. Gerald.

UNLEASHED

How to share the best version of yourself Saturday, February 2 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at Our Lady of Sorrows Family Center

In this workshop you will learn to unleash the best version of yourself by:

- Discovering the gifts and charisms of the Holy Spirit
- Understanding your unique charism through the Spiritual Gifts Inventory
- Learning the five steps to discern your charisms

Flyers are on the table in the entrance of the church with registration forms or you can register online at www.olsorrows.com.

The cost is \$40.00 per person. Please make checks payable to "Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church". For questions, please call Sharon Williams at 248-474-5720.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



The Knights will be serving pancakes, eggs, ham, pork sausage links and the trimmings from 9 AM to Noon on January 27. Tickets will be available at the door, but free will donations are encouraged. Hope to see you there!

2018 St. Gerald Contribution Statement

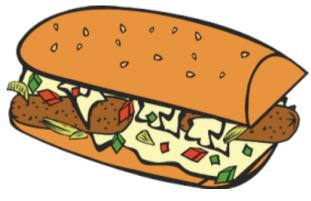
If you need a copy of your 2018 Contribution Statement, please send your request to stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com or call 248-477-7470. The Parish Office is open Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. With a prior request, statements will be available for pick up in the Parish Office during the hours indicated above. Please allow one week to process your request. Thank you!



We would like to give a special thank you to Erma Boucher for her many years of washing the purificators that are used during the Mass. God bless you for this help and for continuing in other ministries here. We really appreciate your dedication and service to St. Gerald.

26 SUNDEN IN ORDINARY TIME





Annual Super Bowl Sub Sale Weekend January 19/20 and 26/27 All Subs are \$5.00

Super Bowl LIII is approaching and that means it is time to place your sub sandwich orders. St. Gerald Teens will be taking orders this weekend and January 26 and 27

for Turkey Subs, Ham Subs and Italian Sub sandwiches after all masses.

Sub sandwich pick up will be after weekend masses on Saturday, February 2nd and Sunday, February 3rd. Enjoy!

ANOTHER WAY PREGNANCY CENTER THANK YOU!

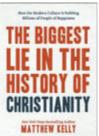


All of us at AWPC want to thank the parishioners of St. Gerald Catholic Church for their support of the life work at Another Way Pregnancy Center. Thus far, the baby bottle drive at St. Gerald has raised \$2,576.94! Your change makes a difference in the lives of those most vulnerable to abortion. 79 babies were

saved in 2019! Thank you for your generous prayer and financial support. If you have not turned in your baby bottle, you can still do so by dropping it off in the Parish Office.

Please pray for:





Have you begun reading your book?

St. Gerald Parish provided a gift to parishioners at Christmas. The book "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity" should provoke your curiosity. It has already prompted great conversation and is expected to create change and conversion in many.

This is how Christmas continues....

the beauty of Christmas is the fact that it isn't just a one day event, neither is it a season really. Christmas is an ongoing celebration of welcoming Jesus Christ into our lives; every day and in every way.

The gift of joy, peace and love that comes from allowing Jesus to live within us, allows us to live free and without worry. How much we know about ourselves influences our affect on others. Not that we have more than they do. Not because we wear the latest trends, or know the latest news or sport scores. It's the power of knowing our own self personally; our inner source, our capabilities, our limitations, and using ourselves for God's good purpose.

Enjoy your reading and Merry Christmas, again! Your Evangelization Team

Note:

We encourage everyone to read, then share the book with others. We will be highlighting reflections from each chapter in the *Voice*. If you are interested in submitting your reflection, contact Gerryanna Luscri at 248-476-7677 ext. 208 or email: gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

A Look Ahead Into January and February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 Second Sunday In Ordinary Time Sunday Fellowship Blood Pressure Screening 8:30 AM Mass 10:15 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:15 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass	8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Divine Mercy	8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help 5:00 PM Elementary Religious Formation	7:30 PM Choir Practice	12:00 PM Pinochle 6:20 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour	8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 8:00 PM AA Meeting	26 3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass
27 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Pancake Breakfast 8:30 AM Mass 10:15 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:15 AM Mass 10:15 AM Sunday School 12:00 PM Mass 7:00 PM Confirmation Classes	8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 5:30 PM Elementary Religious Formation	8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Perpetual Help 5:00 PM Elementary Religious Formation	30 7:30 PM Choir Practice	31 12:00 PM Pinochle 6:20 PM Rosary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour	First Friday Eucharistic Adoration following morning Mass until 5 PM Benediction 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 8:00 PM AA Meeting	First Saturday 9:15 AM Mass 1:30 PM Wedding 3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass

Events happening in and around our community

MERCY NIGHTS

Jesus can do great things in your life. Don't believe us? Come to a Mercy Night. Let Him prove it.

Let's be honest, life is full of baggage. So often we are expected to "go at it alone" or "tough it out". Doesn't that seem counterproductive? What if, instead, we didn't "go at it alone" but instead we "go at it with Him"?

Real peace and real joy are available and attainable. Similar to the Come Encounter Christ events, Mercy Nights are about laying down the things that drain us and hold us down, and receiving freedom through the gentle mercy of Jesus. Come and receive life and heal wounds through the power of scripture and the presence of Jesus as we encounter him through adoration, reconciliation and music. All are welcome to join the Franciscan Friars of the Holy Spirit for an evening of life changing mercy and encounter with Jesus.

- January 25 at St. Mary's Monroe from 7:00-9:00 in Monroe
- February 8 at St. Hugo of the Hills from 7:00-9:00 in Bloomfield Hills
- February 15 at St. Thecla from 7:00- 9:00 in Clinton Township
- February 22 at MBS Cathedral from 7:00-9:00 in Detroit (Spanish)

KERYGMA NIGHTS

Does your life feel, well, messy?

Come learn what the Gospel reveals - that you don't have to walk it alone.

- ...that God really does have big plans for you,
- ...that despite sin and struggle in our lives...

we can be fulfilled.

Join us for a night of answers to some of the big questions we all have, as we share the core of what the Gospel reveals through short talks, discussion and Q&A with others who are asking the same questions as you are.

- February 6, 13, 20, 27 at Jolly Pumpkin Royal Oak from 7:00 8:30 (Wed.)
- January 28 and February 4, 11, 18 at Sacred Heart -Dearborn from 7:00 - 8:30 (Mon.)
- January 22, 29 and February 5, 12 at Shrine of the Little Flower from 7:00 8:30 (Tues.) *Spanish*



Come join the card group on Thursday afternoons in our parish social hall. Please arrive by noon with card play beginning at 12:30 PM. What better way to spend your Thursday afternoons. You do not need to call ahead to join in the fun, just stop in and make

some new friends!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS . . .

Thursday, February 7th from 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM for the REBOOT Event at Shrine of the Little Flower.

All St. Gerald teens will attend free of charge.

All are invited! \$25 per person, 12 and up.

Internationally renowned speaker and author Chris Stefanick, along with top performing live music artists will help you REDISCOVER God, and REDISCOVER the life you were made for.

Feeling lost?; Searching for happiness but feeling unfulfilled?; Looking for meaning in your life?; Wondering where God fits in?

If you answered 'yes' to any of the above questions, just imagine a life filled with joy. Consider the power of knowing happiness and living with purpose. How can this be achieved?



Join us for REBOOT!, a high-energy, 2 1/2 hour renewal event that is designed to bring a brand new energy and vitality to your life. The event has two parts: (1) It begins with an inspirational, high-energy unpacking of the genius of the heart of the Gospel, revealing its power and real beauty. The experience is fresh and compelling, and is like hearing the Gospel for the first time all over again! People commonly say: "THAT reminded me—all over again—why I ever even wanted to be a Christian, to be a Catholic!" There is a lot of laughter, and there are some real tears. And, (2) It finishes strong with real-life, practical, "can-do" ways of applying the genius of the Gospel in everyday life. From prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more: **there is no part of a person's life that will be left untouched**.

Don't miss out on this phenomenal opportunity. It's time to start living the Life you were made for. Go to RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot for more information and registration or call Judy Maten at 313-268-1985.

Knights Corner

Time of Report Your Charitable Activities during 2018; Make a Note of the Meeting Chow Nights

It is time to tally up your 2018 service hours and relay them to GK Dave Bednarski. He is compiling a report to the Supreme Council that is due January 31. The information that is gathered from Councils throughout the world is the basis of the report that shows how many volunteer hours and how much money Knights provide others each year. The Michigan State Council also uses the information.

In 2017, Michigan Knights made \$6,952,912 in charitable contributions. Included in that total were \$2,187,226 for church activities and \$1,136,064 in support of the mentally impaired and the Special Olympics. It also included \$719,107 for vocations and support for seminarians and \$1,459,032 the Knights gave to their communities.

Michigan Knights also provided 1,956,793 hours of volunteer service. They made 178,357 visits to the sick or bereaved and made 20,789 blood donations. The money and the hours are all part of the Knights mission of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.



Newest Member Scott Horsburgh

Maintenance

Tom Kruger

Reverend Krzysztof Nowak Pastor

While speaking of volunteers, one is needed to fill in the remaining gap in Hospitality Chair Ken May's Meeting Chow Program. To allow for his vacation time, he arranged for three open months – April, June and July. PGK Fred Gerometta has agreed to cook April 16 meeting and Brother Matthew Hunsinger has agreed to cook June 18. That leaves the July 16 meeting open for a Council member with kitchen talent. If that person is you, contact Program Director Tom McPhail at 248-875-1185.

Also, May could use some support help before our meetings and after when there is cleanup to do. If you are willing to sign up for KP duty for three meetings, give PD McPhail a call. Think of belonging to our Council as being on a boat ride with various men working the oars. When was the last time you pulled an oar?

Here is Brother Mays' menu for the remaining 2019 Meeting Chow nights: February 19 Chili, March 19 Stir Fry, April 16 TBD (to be determined), May 21 Sausage with red beans and rice, June 18 TBD, July 16 TBD, August 20 Shish kabob, September 17 Hamburgers with corn on the cob, October 15 Spaghetti, November 19 Pizza and salad, December 17 Pot Luck by all members.

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

Accountant

Kim Shepard

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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