THE VOICE February 3, 2019

ST. GERALD

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH A Servant Church Of The Archdiocese of Detroit

21300 Farmington Road Farmington, Michigan 48336

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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!

St. Gerald will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, February 24th
from 8 AM - 2:00 PM in the social hall.
More information on Page 3 of the Voice.

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 4 - FEBRUARY 8

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

Tuesday 9:15 AM Agnes Valasek Requested by Barbara Valasek

> Wednesday No Mass

<u>Thursday</u> 7:00 PM **Maryellen Breshnan** Requested by Barbara Valasek

> Friday 9:15 AM Mary Elaine David Requested by Burt David

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20
- TUESDAY: HEB 12:1-4/PS 22:26B-27, 28 AND 30, 31-32 [CF. 27B]/MK 5:21-43
- WEDNESDAY: HEB 12:4-7, 11-15/PS 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18A [CF. 17]/MK 6:1-6
- THURSDAY: HEB 12:18-19, 21-24/PS 48:2-3AB, 3CD-4, 9, 10 -11 [CF. 10]/MK 6:7-13
- FRIDAY: HEB 13:1-8/PS 27:1, 3, 5, 8B-9ABC [1A]/MK 6:14-29
- SATURDAY: HEB 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6 [1]/MK 6:30-34
- NEXT SUNDAY: IS 6:1-2A, 3-8/PS 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1C]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/LK 5:1-11

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

FROM YOUR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE...



Thanks to your generosity, we were able to help approximately 35 families with Thanksgiving meal ingredients, Christmas meal ingredients, grocery cards for meat for the holiday meals and basic foods for the holiday season. Your generous food and toiletry

donations have left our pantry well stocked.

St. Gerald St. Vincent de Paul Conference is here to help parishioners as well as others who live within our parish boundaries. If any parishioners are experiencing layoffs, furloughs, or other financial strain, please remember we are available to assist with food, toiletries and paper products; and may be able to help with utility or other bills.

If you can use a helping hand, please call 248-476-7677, ext 220. Leave your name and number and we will get back to you to determine how we can help you. Be assured that all information is confidential.

FEBRUARY 10, 2019 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM	February 9	Fr. Santoro	
For Ann & John Niwa Requested by Boore Family	Lector/ Ushers	Sharon McCarthy 5:00BA	
8:30 AM	February 1	0 Fr. Roodbeen	
For Michael Hoots Requested by Family	Lector/ Ushers	Jim Bergin 8:30A	
10:15 AM	February 1	0 Fr. Roodbeen	
For All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Caron Kott 10:15C	
12:00 PM	February 1	0 Fr. Santoro	
For Dobbs, Kemp, Trayer, Robrecht and Goderman Families Requested by C. Kemp	Lector/ Ushers	Rob Seely 12:00B	

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week <u>February 9 and February 10</u> Team D

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

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of January 20	\$ 8,388.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of January 20	\$ 9,096.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of Jan. 20	\$282,944.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of Jan. 20	\$272,880.00

ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING

Please visit our Parish Website at stgeraldparish.org and click on <u>Online Giving</u> 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.

DONATIONS TO ST. GERALD SPECIAL NEEDS COLLECTION THROUGH SIMPLE GIVE If you are giving your donations to St. Gerald online through Simple Give and would like to make a donation to our Special Needs Collection, you can do so from February 3 through February 17. Thank you!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

St. Gerald will be hosting a blood drive on **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.



COMEDY NIGHT WITH SHAWN REYNOLDS At St. Gerald Parish Wednesday, February 6 Showtime 7:30 PM - Doors open at 7:00 PM

Who's in for a good laugh? Date night, or group night out, come join us for some good clean fun.

Tickets are available in the Parish Office.

\$10 per person

\$5 for kids under 10

Concession items will be available.

Reserve your seat today, so the joke's not on you.

"A day without laughter, is a day wasted" Charlie Chaplin



KNIGHT'S KIOSK HAS FREE Booklets For Parishioners

Parishioners are welcome to any of the 225 booklets in the new Faith in Action kiosk newly installed in the main entryway of the Church. Subjects covered by the booklets include marriage, family life, fatherhood, family prayer and strengthening one's faith.

The kiosk is part of the K of C's national initiative "Building the Domestic Church." The program dovetails with the Archdiocese of Detroit's "Unleash the Gospel" program.



St. Gerald Parish Mardi Gras Celebration Saturday, March 2nd, 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

Music and entertainment for all ages!

Provided by Cloud 9 Entertainment

Soda, Snacks, Subs, Sundae Bar

Bring your own beer or wine if desired. \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family.



WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Anna Iadipaolo +

SEPTEMBER 14, 1932 JANUARY 25, 2019

AND

MARJORIE ALLEN

+

November 5, 1923 January 25, 2019



ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THESE WOMEN O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM



This weekend, Feast of St. Blaise, there will be Blessing of Throats during the Masses.

2018 ST. GERALD CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT



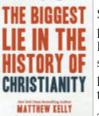
If you need a copy of your 2018 Contribution Statement, please send your request to stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com or call 248-477 -7470. The Parish Office is open Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. With a prior request, statements will be

available for pick up in the Parish Office during the hours indicated above. Please allow one week to process your request. Thank you!

Please pray for:

	Genevieve Browne	Joan Goniea
	Stase Nemanis	Kimberly Thompson
CAL.	Ralph Wenski	Erin Malloy
In Our	Jim Sockow	Wanda Reiner
and Prayers	Rose Hickey	Pat Fanilone
	Roberta Provenzano	Nancy Kolliker
n	Doug Foley	Pam Akey
	Tim O'Brien	Michael Polcyn
	Shel Levine	Yolanda Fenech
	Joyce LaMarra	Monica Koenig

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 If you are interested in submitting your in the Voice. reflection, contact Gerryanna Luscri at 248-476-7677 ext. 208 or email: gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday Felowship 0:00 AM Mass 10:15 AV Children's Library of the Word 10:19 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass	4 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mess 5 30 PM Elementary Religious Formation	5 8:40 AM Rosary 9:15 AM Mass 9:45 AM Mother of Peopelical Help 2:00 PM Norsing Home Mass 5:00 PM Elementary Religious Formation 7:00 PM K of C Officer's Mtg.	6 7:00 PM S1. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00 pm Youth Group Night 7:30 PM Choir Practice	7 12:00 PM Pinochle 6:20 PM Resary 7:00 PM Mass 7:45 PM Holy Hour	8 8:40 AM Resary 9:15 AM Mass 8:00 PM AA Meeting	9 3.30 PM Currlessions 5.00 PM Mass
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A LOOK AHEAD:

ANNUAL MASS FOR WORLD DAY OF THE SICK SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10 AT 11:00 AM CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT 9844 WOODWARD AVENUE DETROIT, MI

Join Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron in the Mass especially for the sick, their loved ones, caregivers and healthcare professionals. An anointing for the sick will be provided There will be a special blessing for caregivers and healthcare ministers. Secure onsite parking. Handicap accessible. Cosponsored by the Knights and Dames of the Order of Malta.

From The Catholic Company :



"..did you know that the Catholic Church was the one to **invent hospitals** as we know them today?

Early hospitals (we're talking 4th century) were called *basilias*—named for Saint Basil - due to his efforts to establish health care centers all over the Roman empire."

MARRIAGE COACHING HELP FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Couples who are experiencing struggles and challenges in their marriage can receive help through the Archdiocese of Detroit sponsored Marriage Coaching Ministry. The Marriage Coaching program is a couple-to-couple mentoring program designed to assist couples to live out God's plan for their marriage.

Trained Coaching Couples will give the support and practical tools needed to help couples to restore and realize the fullness they desire and is intended for their Catholic marriage. The Marriage Coaching program consists of seven main coaching sessions and is strictly confidential and at no cost.

To learn more and get the help you need for your marriage contact:

313-237-4680 or www.aod.org/marriagecoaching | familyministry@aod.org.

All inquiries are strictly confidential. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Detroit, Office for Marriage and Family.

"BE THE MATCH" Bone Marrow Donor Drive

Saturday, February 23, 2019 10 AM to 2 PM Resurrection Parish 48755 Warren Road Canton, MI 48187

Anyone between the ages of 18 and 44 are encouraged to come and sign up. For questions, contact Mary Tavana at (734) 634-7558. This could be the year you save someone's life!

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.

Did you know that 80% of young people stop practicing the faith before their 23rd birthday? Most while in college? Instead of grim statistics, just imagine the parish full of people with a much clearer understanding of God's plan for their lives. Imagine more prayer, more study, and more generosity. Imagine more energy, more inquisitiveness, and more commitment. Imagine lives truly transformed in Christ! This is what REBOOT! is all about.



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



Generous Parishioners and Well Trained Knights Made Last Sunday's Pancake Breakfast a Success

A big "Thank You" to the Knights and parishioners who participated in last Sunday's Pancake Breakfast. Led by DGK Frank Gariepy, 22 other Knights produced the hardy breakfast. "They are a well-oiled machine," Grand Knight Dave Bednarski remarked about the crew. Treasurer Rich Rosowski said that preliminary receipts looked very good, although final numbers won't be available until next edition of the Knights Corner. "Parishioners were very generous," Rosowski said. "At least 20 people gave us money but didn't come in to eat and others told me to keep the change when buying tickets."

In addition to Gariepy and Bednarski, Knights working the breakfast were Ron Bywalec, Bill Croitori, Fred Gerometta, Terry Grabinski, Brian Gulick, Scott Horsburgh, Matthew Hunsinger, Michael Huskey, Bob Koenig, Bob Kuhr, Patrick McDonald, Tom McPhail, Mike O'Dea, Bob Purol, Bruce Roberts, Patrick Rogers, Rich Rosowski, Armin Russenberger, Thom Seabolt, Dennis Weberlein and Roger Stacey. Well done, guys!

Financial Secretary Bob Kuhr reports that 27 members have yet to pay their 2019 dues and will be getting a second notice. He remarked that last year at this time he had 27 unpaid members to whom he sent a second notice. There's a suspicion they are pretty much the same guys. Kuhr also observed that if anyone is having a financial hardship to privately bring that issue to his attention. PGK Bruce Roberts who oversees the sale of State Charity raffle tickets reminds members who sell their tickets to be sure to add our Council number - - #13673 - - to the ticket stub. If you need additional tickets, see Bruce.

Program Director Tom McPhail is still looking for a member with cooking talent to be responsible for producing meeting chow for the July 16 meeting. If interested, give Tom a call at 248-875-1185. Hospitality Chair Ken May has chili on the menu for the February 19 meeting.

The Faith in Action Kiosk is in place in the main entryway to the church. Help yourself to one of the booklets. After reading it, pass it along to another Knight, a family member or friend.

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH Office Hours	SACRAMENTS	
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	Baptism: Please be aware that first time parents must attend a short baptism pre	
Reverend Krzysztof Nowak, Pastor x 203	class prior to the baptism of their child. Arrangements for baptism ma	
Mary Hoots, Administrative Assistant	be made by calling the Parish Office. Matrimony:	
All other offices dial (248) 476-7677	St. Gerald Parish is pleased to marry registered parishioners and the	
Christian Services Matthew Yokom: Christian Service Coordinatorx 204 Email: myokom.sgp@gmail.com	children. Arrangements must be made at least six months in advar the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.	
St. Vincent de Paul	Registration of new members: Please see Fr. Kris after Mass or call the Parish Office. Registratio	
Education Mary Taylor: Director Religious Education x 201 Email: marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com	forms are located on the shelf in the classroom hallway and th gathering space of the church for your convenience. After you fill it ou just give it to Fr. Kris or drop it off in the Parish Office. Thank you!	
Music Ministry Mary Melonio: Director of Music x 222 Cell: 734-578-4179 or Email: mmelonio@aol.com	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 mor information.	
Worship Ministry x 202 Norma Battel Email: stgeraldworship@gmail.com	WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. GERALD CATHOLIC PARISH! If you are new to the area, we look forward to meeting you personally.	
Youth Ministry Gerryanna Luscri	you have not been active in the practice of the Catholic fai encourage you to return. If a previous marriage has kept yo receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to call the rectory at 24	
MaintenanceAccountantTom KrugerKim Shepard	7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a favorabl 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.



