THE VOICE

May 26, 2019

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OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

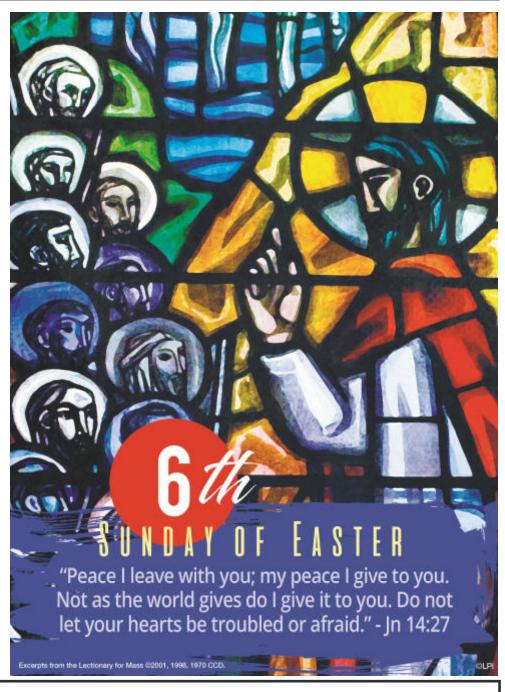
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

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

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.





Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, May 27th, in observance of Memorial Day!

Mass time on Memorial Day is 9:15 AM.

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



MAY 27 - JUNE 1

Monday 9:15 AM

John O'Connell

Requested by Mary O'Connell

Tuesday 9:15 AM

George and Cathrine Croitori Requested by Croitori Family

> Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM

Duane Putzig

Requested by Barbara Valasek

Friday 9:15 AM Special Intention

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: ACTS 16:11-15/PS 149:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A AND 9B [CF. 4A]/ JN 15:26--16:4A

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11

WEDNESDAY: ACTS 17:15, 22--18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/JN 16:12-15

THURSDAY: ACTS 18:1-8/PS 98:1, 2-3CD-4 [CF. 2B]/JN 16:16-20 ASCENSION: ACTS 1:1-11/PS 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/EPH 1:17-23 OR HEB 9:24-28; 10:19-23/LK 24:46-53

FRIDAY: ZEP 3:14-18A OR ROM 12:9-16/IS 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6 [6]/LK 1:39-56

SATURDAY: ACTS 18:23-28/PS 47:2-3, 8-9, 10 [8A]/JN 16:23B-28 NEXT SUNDAY: ASCENSION: ACTS 1:1-11/PS 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/EPH 1:17-23 OR HEB 9:24-28; 10:19-23/LK 24:46-53

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER: ACTS 7:55-60/PS 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1A, 9A]/RV 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/JN 17:20-26

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

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of May 12 \$ 8,215.00

Budget Offertory for Weekend of May 12 \$ 9,096.00

Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of May 12 \$446,563.00

Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of May 12 \$418,416.00

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

JUNE 2, 2019

5:00 PM	June 1	Fr. Kaiser
For Kathy Steck Requested by Delphine Midura	Lectors/ Ushers	Diane Blankenship 5:00A
8:30 AM	June 2	Fr. Kaiser
For All Our Parishioners	Lector/ Ushers	Candy Rosowski 8:30B
10:15 AM	June 2	Fr. Roodbeen
For Anne Lojewski Requested by Josephine Meyers	Lector/ Ushers	Gerryanna Luscri 10:15A
12:00 PM	June 2	Fr. Roodbeen
For Deborah Ponds Requested by Barbara Kerwin	Lector/ Ushers	Teddi Williams 12:00B

Church Cleaning Schedule for Next Week <u>June 1 and June 2</u>

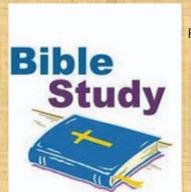
Team D

Team #1 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, May 26 following the 8:30 AM Mass.



St. Gerald Online Giving

Online Giving of Donations through Simple Give is 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. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.



Fall Scripture Study - The Gospel of Matthew

Father David Santoro, O.P., Chaplin at the Blessed Sacrament Monastery in Farmington Hills will lead the study using the Ignatius Bible Study Guide.

The study will focus on the Gospel of Matthew.

Location: St. Gerald's Church social hall
Time: Wednesday evenings 7:00 to 8:30 PM
Dates: September 11 – November 13, 2019

All are Welcome to this Inter-Parish Scripture Study.

Bring your Bible and/or Ignatius Study guides. No need to register.

Contact Mary Taylor (marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com) if you have questions or 248-477-7470.

Parish Pienie

Sunday, June 9 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs Inflatable Bouncers and DJ Games and back by popular demand Basket Raffles!!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Please see the sign up sheets on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church or call 248-476-7677, ext. 204.

> Please bring a dish to pass! Last Names beginning with A - L bring a Dessert and M - Z bring a Side Dish

Hope to see you at the picnic!



BACCALAUREATE MASS

AND BREAKFAST

If you are you graduating this spring, come celebrate this special event at St. Gerald on Sunday, June 2nd at the Baccalaureate Mass and breakfast. celebration will begin with 10:15 Mass followed by a breakfast in the social hall. Please call 248-476-7677, ext. 204 to reserve your spot.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Juice Cookies Rice Potato Products Canned chicken, spam, ham Pork and Beans





Donations will continue to be collected for the annual Crop Hunger Walk until June. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office or to Gerryanna Luscri (Youth Ministry Office). Thank you!

St. Gerald Vacation Bible School 2019 For students entering kindergarten thru 5th grade



June 24th-28th

10:15 AM - 1:00 PM

Name: Age:
Last grade completed: Date of birth:
Placement request (siblings or friends)
*Allergies/concerns
Parent's name(s):
Street address:
City:
Zip: Phone:
E-mail address: please print clearly
In case of emergency, contact:
l Alternate pick-up person, if different from above:
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21300 Farmington Rd., Farmington, MI 48336

Students who have completed 5th grade and beyond are encouraged to volunteer as assistants and crew leaders – please indicate volunteer status on registration form.

Questions? Contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, extension 201 or marytaylor.sgp@mail.com or Gerryanna Luscri at 248-476-7677, extension 208 or gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

Pray for our Sick:

Pam Akey Monica Koenig George Walch Bonnie Haun Yolanda Fenech Christine Godbev Phyllis Marek Kimberly Thompson Doug Foley Ralph Wenski Erin Malloy Tim O'Brien Jim Sockow Wanda Reiner Shel Levine Rose Hickey Joan Goniea Joyce LaMarra Roberta Provenzano John MacDougall Nancy Kolliker



Upcoming Events...

Picnic game volunteers for our annual parish picnic on June 9th from 1-4 PM, can sign up on the teen bulletin board at the main church entrance.

Our Vacation Bible School will run from June 24 - 28 (Monday - Friday) 10:15 AM-12:45 PM. Volunteers should plan to arrive by 10:00 AM, and stay until 1:00 PM. Crew Leaders, Kitchen Helpers, Game Crew, Craft and Drama Helpers are needed. Planning and decoration help needed the week before. Contact Gerryana if you are available.

C.A.R.E.S. of Farmington Hills has Food Pantry and Youth United (interfaith teen group) volunteer opportunities - Summer youth work camp volunteers will help create a reflection garden, vegetable garden, and other jobs of painting and building repairs during the week of July 29th through August 2nd, 2019. Go to http://caresfh.org/ or contact Gerryanna for details. Or, email Karen Linnell at klinnell@sbcglobal.net

THE BIGGEST LIE

Reflections from Chapter 14

One of the biggest lies that we tell ourselves is that we want to change the way we are living, but in reality, we are afraid because we are comfortable in our life style. We do not trust God to follow through because we believe that the change is going to make us unhappy. If we truly trust God and put our faith in Him, we will experience His peace and joy. On Page 102 there is a beautiful prayer asking God for His help. It reads:

"Lord, Here I am. I trust that you have an incredible plan for me. Transform me. Transform my life. Everything is on the table. Take what you want to take and give what you want to give. I make myself 100% available to you today. Transform me into the person you created me to be, so I can live the life you envisioned for me at the beginning of time. I hold nothing back. I am 100% available. Lead me, challenge me, encourage me, and open my eyes to all your possibilities. Show me what it is you want me to do, and I will do it. Amen"

Let go and let God.



Sharing God's Love is our duty as Christians. Reach out and be welcoming to those you know, and to the stranger sitting near you. We are growing with new members and want to make them feel at home, here at St. Gerald. Please share a smile and a greeting as you spend time here in church, and beyond our doors. A stranger is only a stranger, until they become your friend.

Let us welcome our newest member:

Joel Waskiewicz

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ARCHBISHOP: NO ONE ABOVE CIVIL OR GOD'S LAW

A new papal law requiring priests and religious to report sexual abuse and misconduct provides "clear directives for universal accountability in response to the horrors of clergy sexual abuse," Archbishop Vigneron has told Detroit Catholic. The law provides whistleblower protections for anyone making a report and requires all dioceses to have a system in place to receive the claims confidentially. And it outlines internal procedures for conducting preliminary investigations when the accused is a bishop, cardinal or religious superior.

"I am deeply sorry to all those who have been injured and are enduring a lifetime of physical, emotional and spiritual suffering because of perverse actions by those in authority," the archbishop said. "No one is above civil law, and importantly, no one is above God's law."

Pope Francis announced the new norms on May 9. They go into effect June 1. To learn more about the groundbreaking new church law, go to detroitcatholic.com.

Individuals with knowledge of sexual abuse by clergy or church representatives are urged to contact local law enforcement and the Michigan Attorney General's office. Individuals also may contact the Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting protect.aod.org.

CSA Update . . . We appreciate your support of the CSA Program here at St. Gerald. Every donation, no matter how big or how small, helps us to reach our goal. Our suggested giving amount per family is **\$215.00**, which would allow us to reach our goal of **\$69,539.00**. We know some families cannot afford the \$215.00 and others can afford more. Please prayerfully consider your donation amount. It is not an equal gift we ask for, it is an equal sacrifice. If you are unable to donate at this time, just return your pledge card indicating you are unable to make a donation to CSA this year.

Below are instructions on how to give electronically, if this is your method of contribution that you choose. If you are paying by check or are pledging to make scheduled payments, please return your CSA card by mail in the envelope provided, or drop it off in the Sunday collection basket or in the Parish Office. Thank You!

Instructions for CSA On-line Giving

CREATING A DONOR ACCOUNT

An Online Giving Account should be created to have the ability to set-up recurring donations, pledges and be able to view and print history. Setting up an account will also allow you to set-up payment methods that can be used for future donations. An email address can only be used once per Online Giving URL.

- Step 1 Go to http://stgerald.aodcsa.org
- Step 2 Click on the **Create New Account link** or sign in with last year's information.
- Step 3 Fill out information for New User Account First Name, Last Name, etc.
- Step 4 When finished filling information out Click **Enter Credentials**
- Step 5 Create User ID and Password. (If you gave on-line last year, you can use last year's ID and Password)
- Step 6 Click the Create Account button. You will receive email confirmation that your account has been created.

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		Have you considered the church in your will? Con-	VVVVVVVV

ABOVE IS A SAMPLE OF THE CSA CARD. WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO DONATE ON-LINE OR MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR PAYMENT, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ENTIRE CARD MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PARISH OFFICE IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED.

PLEASE *DISREGARD* THE COMMENT ON CSA CARD INDICATING YOU DO NOT NEED TO RETURN CARD WITH ON-LINE GIFTS.

Knights Corner

Still Time to Sign Up to Help at Parish Picnic or to Enter Annual Corn Toss Tournament
If you missed the May 21 Membership Meeting, there still is time to sign up to help at the Parish
Picnic on June 9. There is a special need for help Saturday morning when the tents, tables and
chairs are set up. Parish men who are not Knights are especially welcomed for that duty.

Many other tasks are available for the day of the picnic. DGK Frank Gariepy could use help with the Knights' third annual Corn Toss Tournament. He needs help with arranging the boards, registration and scoring. Top scorers will enjoy some nifty prizes. This year Frank is encouraging pre-registration with an entry form scheduled for the June 2 edition of *The Voice*. The tournament is open to all picnic attendees, male or female, Knight or non-Knight, but is limited to the first 16 teams entering. The tournament will start at approximately 1:30 PM. Other tasks are also in need of volunteers. Give Program Director Tom McPhail a call at 248-875-1185.

Hats off to PGK Rich Smith and PGK Bruce Roberts for organizing a very fitting Memorial Mass and reception May 16. Twenty Knights and eight spouses attended along with representatives of four of our deceased. The two Honor Guard members who added to the solemnity of the occasion wore the new sport coat and beret uniforms adopted last year. Very neat and an improvement over the fancy, feathered chapeaus and capes.

The State K of C Council is sponsoring a Knights Night at Tiger Stadium Saturday, Sept. 21. The Tigers play the Chicago White Sox in a 6:10 PM night game. The State Council has reserved 200 field box seats and 200 upper deck mezzanine seats. The field box seats are in the lower deck and cost \$32 each; the mezzanine (Tiger-speak for nose bleed section) cost \$19 each, the same prices the State Council pays. If enough members are interested and would support the cost of a bus, we could go as a group. If not, members can buy their tickets directly from the State Council. The deadline for tickets is August 19, so there is time to discuss the bus/group issue at the June 18 Membership Meeting.

RED GERANIUMS FOR



PENTECOST

Pentecost Sunday is June 9th. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit with the symbolic color red. We invite you to purchase a red geranium for \$5.00 from the Knights of Columbus as you enter the church on Saturday, June Sunday, June 9th. These beautiful flowers will decorate our altar Pentecost Sunday. The flowers will then be planted on the parish grounds for everyone to throughout the season. All proceeds will be donated to the replenish budgeted amount set aside for church decorations. Thank you!

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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Reverend Krzysztof Nowak, Pastor x 203

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Kim Shepard

Tom Kruger

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

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