# THE VOICE

October 11, 2020

## ST. GERALD

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**21300 Farmington Road**
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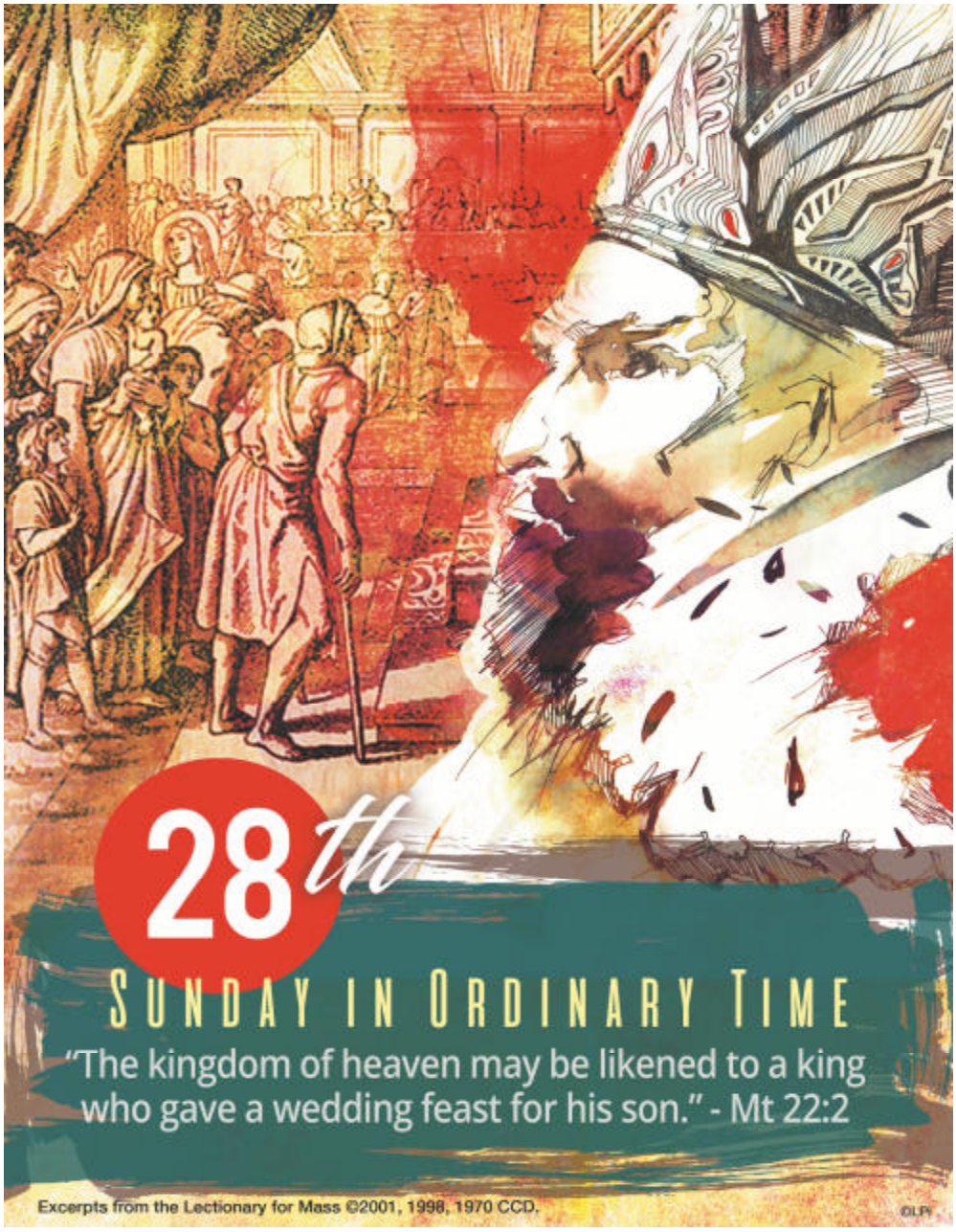
**Fax: 248-477-3878**
**Website: stgeraldparish.org**

**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.




## CSA REMINDER. . .

Instructions and collection updates for our CSA Program for 2020 are on Page 3 of the bulletin. If you still have not turned in your CSA pledge, please do so. Any amount of contribution would be appreciated. If you are unable to give, simply indicate this on your card and mail it back in the self addressed envelope provided. Thank you!

## WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

### October 12 - October 16

Monday 9:15 AM
**John and Audrey Jacques**
Requested by Rich and Lynn Smith

Tuesday 9:15 AM
**Fr. Joseph Ryder**

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
**Monica Koenig**
Requested by Bob Koenig

Friday 9:15 AM
**Beth and Derek McLaughlin**
Requested by Croitori Family

## 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: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-40

Liturgical Publications, Inc
(For a list of daily readings: go to http://www.usccb.org/nab)

To have the daily readings sent to your email, go to www.usccb.org/nab

**Canned Meats, Stews, Chili, Toothbrushes, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Tuna Helper, and Crackers**

### Donations For World Mission Sunday Through Simple Give

If you are giving your donations online through Simple Give and would like to make a donation for World Mission Sunday you can do so now through October 25th. Thank You!

## Please keep the below in your prayers:

Raymond Rudzki  Joan Goniea  Sally Battishill

### Feeling Ill?

If you have a fever or cough or are not feeling well, please stay home until you feel better. Remember it is not a sin to miss Mass because you are ill. **We are asking that you wear a mask when you come to church.**

# Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 18, 2020

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| 5:00 PM | October 17 | Fr. Kris |
| For **Fr. James P. O'Hagan** Requested by St. Gerald | **Lector** | Diane Blankenship |
| 8:30 AM | October 18 | Fr. Briffa |
| For **Enrico Suave** Requested by Family | **Lector** | Hannah Smith |
| 10:15 AM | October 18 | Fr. Kris |
| For **William Shea** Requested by Family | **Lector** | Caron Kott |
| 12:00 PM | October 18 | Fr. Kris |
| For **All Our Parishioners** | **Lector** | Rob Seely |

### St. Gerald Online Giving

Online Giving of Donations through Simple Give is available and simple to use. 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.

### Offertory Snapshot

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| Actual Offertory for Weekend of September 20 | $ 11,046.00 |
| Budget Offertory for Weekend of September 20 | $ 8,407.00 |
| Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of September 20 | $ 98,559.00 |
| Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of September 20 | $ 100,884.00 |

### ST. GERALD FALL GROUNDS CLEAN UP

Volunteers wanted for our Fall Clean Up. Some light trimming, cleaning up of flower beds and trash pick up along the perimeter is needed. Please join us between **10:00 AM - 1:00 PM on Saturday, November 7th.** (Rain date of November 14th, same time as above).

### BANNS OF MARRIAGE 3RD BANN

Let us pray for Courtney Wilkinson and Matthew Egbers as they prepare to be joined in Holy Matrimony at St. Gerald Parish on October 17, 2020.

CSA
CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

**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 of **$61,357.00**. Our suggested giving amount per family this year is **$205.00,** which would help us reach our goal. We know there are some families who can afford more and some families who cannot afford anything. That is why we say *it is not an equal gift, it is an equal sacrifice*. Please prayerfully consider your donation amount.

It is important to remind you that any shortfall in meeting this goal will be made up from our savings account; however, any extra we collect over our committed amount, we get to keep. Your generous support of past CSA efforts at St. Gerald have been most appreciated.

Look for the mailings being sent to you from the Archdiocese of Detroit for all the necessary information to make your pledge. **Please note that the phone number printed on your CSA card is incorrect. The correct phone number is 1-888-331-8695.**

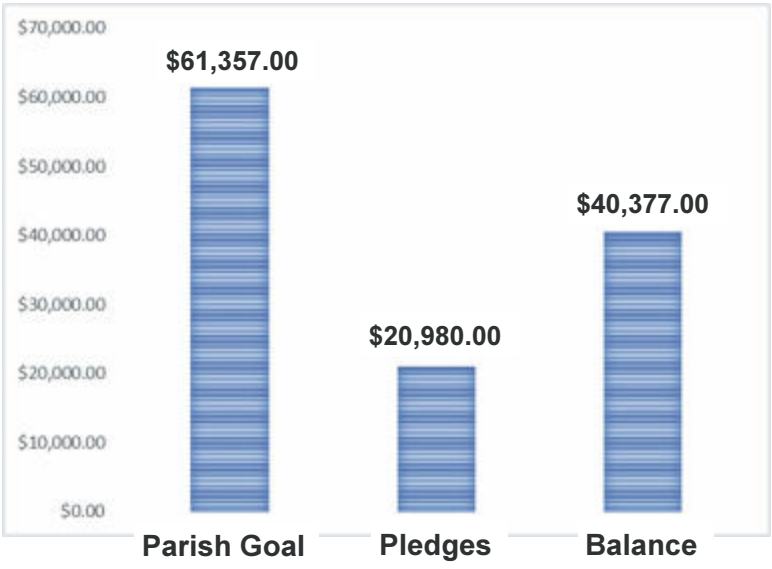
**Instructions for On-line Giving:**

- You can donate on-line by going to **give.aod.org**.
- Click on "**Make a Gift to CSA 2020**".
- Log in or click on "**quick give"**.
- Fill out your information.
- Make sure to indicate the fund is for **CSA 2020** and select **St. Gerald - Farmington** for the parish.

**If you are sending a check in for payment, please follow the instructions given on the letter sent from the Archdiocese of Detroit.**

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470. Thank you for your generosity to the CSA, and for helping us reach the above goal.

**St. Gerald CSA Pledge Update**



## OUTREACH TO RESIDENTS AT THE MANOR OF FARMINGTON HILLS

Everyone has been affected in so many different ways during this pandemic. The residents at The Manor of Farmington Hills, which is located in the boundaries of St. Gerald Parish, are still not allowed to have visits from family and friends and have become very lonely. Could you take a minute to send a card or note to bring a smile to someone's face. Help us to reach out to these residents simply by sending a card or note on stationary to:

Cards for Residents Project
The Manor of Farmington Hills
Attn: Julie, Activities Director
21018 Middlebelt Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

Julie will make sure these cards are distributed to the residents. This could really brighten someone's day. Help us make a difference!

Religious Formation classes have begun. If you have any questions, or have a child you would like to enroll in this year's Religious Formation Program, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677 ext. 201 or email marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CASINO BUS TOUR

Please call one of the numbers below if you would like to be added to our next casino trip on Wednesday, November 11. Thank you!

Richard Smith 313/421-0204 or
Bruce Roberts 248/756-9257 or
Richard Rosowski 248/477-2511

Let us welcome our newest members to St. Gerald Parish. They are:

**Gerald and Frances Franchi**

and

**Vu Thuy and Kim Chi Nguyen and Family**

We are blessed to have you!

# Mercy In Action Day

*Saturday, October 17, 2020*

**Gather for Prayer** and Sent Forth for Service:
St. Fabian Church, 32200 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, 48334
Time: 8:30 AM - 8:50 AM

## Sites for Service

**INDOOR**

1) St. Fabian-card making for seniors in local senior residences
2) St. Fabian-assemble toiletry bags for homeless guests at Cass Community Social Services
Items needed: sample sizes of toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, dental floss, hand sanitizer, soap, soap containers, lotion, combs.

**OUTDOOR**

1) **CARES of Farmington HIlls**-27835 Shiawassee Rd., Farmington Hills, 48336
Project: clean up grounds.
Items to bring; rakes, lawn bags, gloves, clippers Number of volunteers: as desired

2) **Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament**-29575 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, 48334
Project: paint a fence.
Number of volunteers: 4

3) **Oakwood Cemetery**-Grand River Avenue, Farmington (between Farmington Rd. and Drake Rd.)
Project: clean up graves and grounds
Items to bring: small shovels, lawn bags, gloves Number of volunteers: as desired

4) **St. Dominic Outreach Center**-4835 Lincoln St., Detroit, 48208
Project: stocking food pantry, sorting clothes, grounds clean-up
Items to bring: gloves garden tools Number of volunteers: as desired

**We will also be collecting coats, hats, gloves, and scarves for St. Matthew Church.**
Please bring them to Our Lady of Sorrows Church- 23815 Power Rd, Farmington, MI 48336

Please sign up by turning in the below form to the Parish Office or call Matthew Yokom at 248-476-7677, ext. 204.

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# Mercy In Action Day Registration Form

*Saturday, October 17, 2020 8:30AM-12:00PM*

**Name:** _____ **Email:** _____

**Phone:** _____

**Emergency Contact Name:** _____

**Emergency Contact Number:** _____

**PROJECTS**

**Please choose your first and second choices:**

**INDOOR PROJECTS**

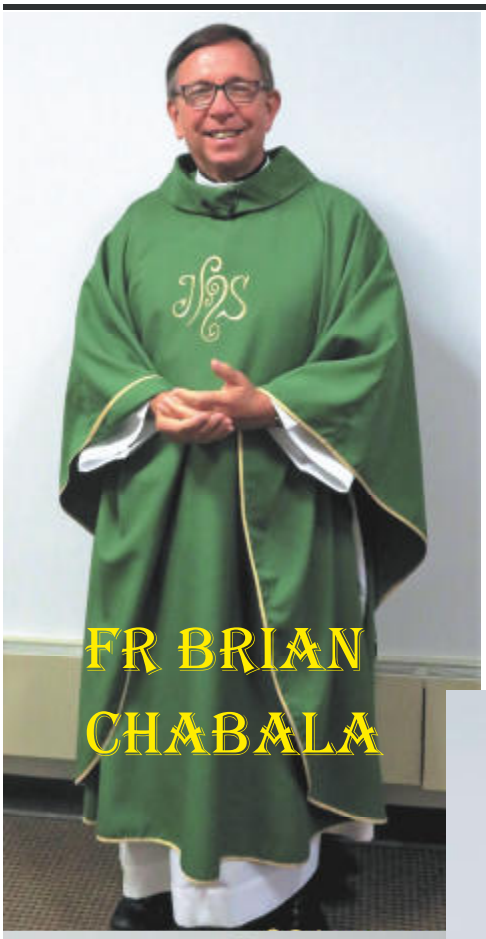
1) Toiletry bags for homeless_____

2) Make cards for local senior citizens in nursing homes _____

**OUTDOOR PROJECTS**

1. CARES of Farmington Hills _____
2. Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament _____
3. Oakwood Cemetery _____
4. St. Dominic Outreach Center _____

# THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP



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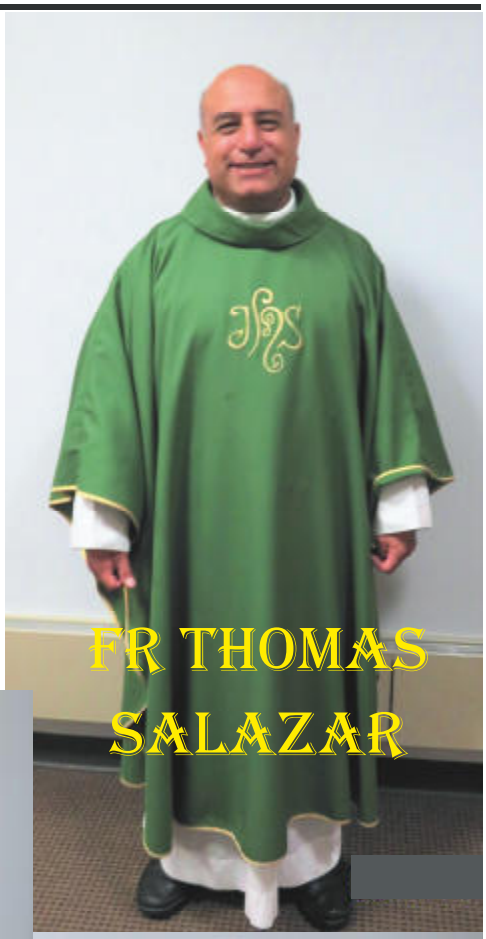

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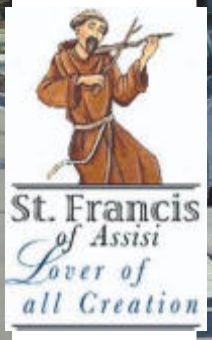


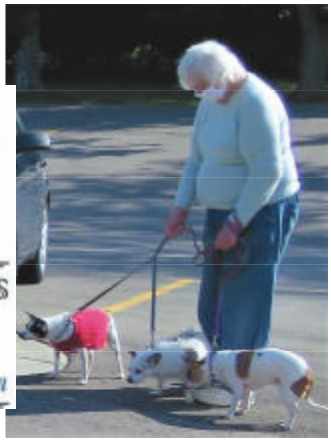

## World Mission Sunday

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers. If you would like to make a donation, please place it in the collection basket located in the back of the church the weekend of October 17 and 18.

## Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Sale

This weekend the Knights of Columbus are having their annual tootsie roll sale to support the mentally impaired. Your support would be appreciated!

## 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

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**Norma Battel**
Email: stgeraldworship@gmail.com

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**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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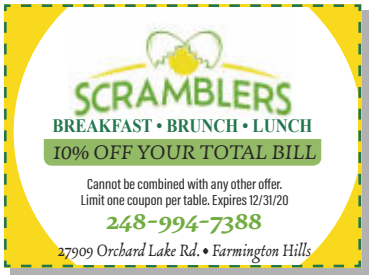


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