

The St. Gerald Voice

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 31, 2022

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*A Servant Church
of the Archdiocese of Detroit*

OFFICE HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass

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

Weekday Mass

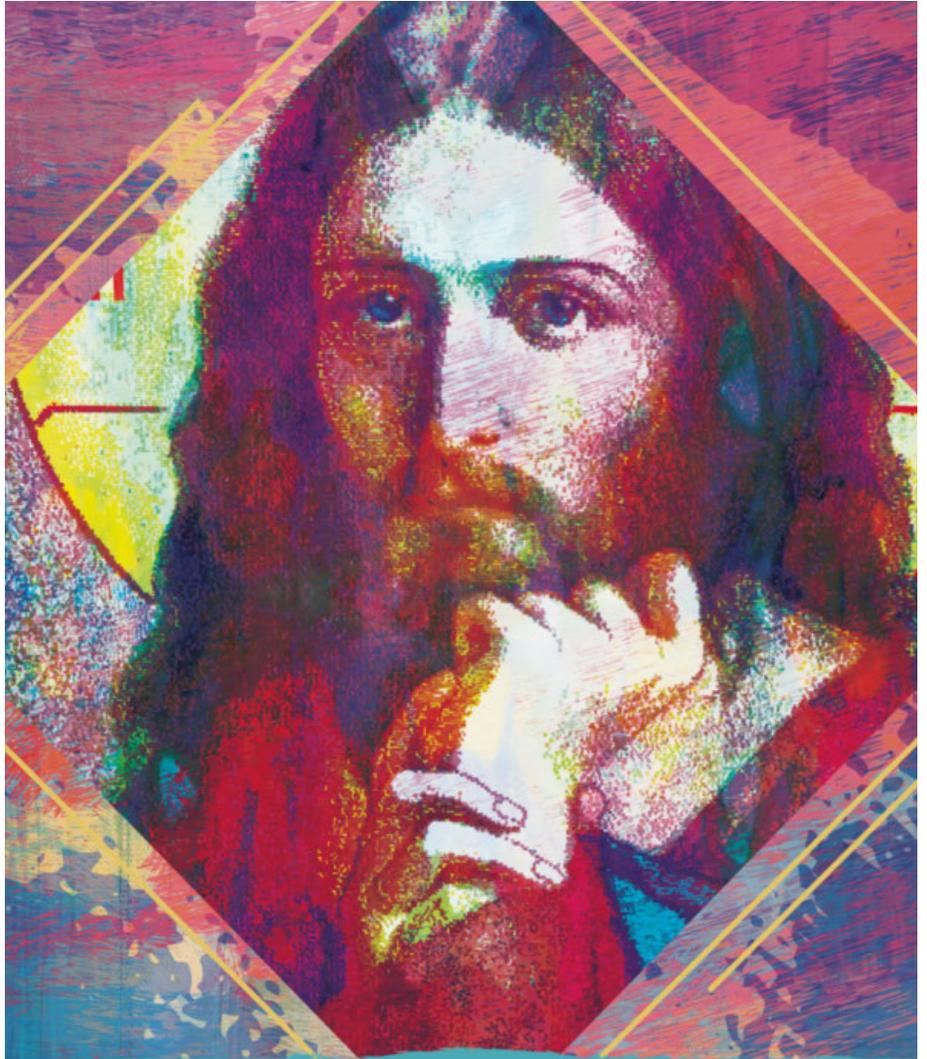
Monday, Tuesday, Friday
9:15 a.m.
Thursday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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

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.



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves
but are not rich in what matters to God." - Lk 12:21

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

August 1 - August 5

Monday 9:15 AM

Fr. John Menner

Requested by Joe Pavco

Tuesday 9:15 AM

Amedeo Picano

Requested by Emilia Lamarra

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM

Jerry and Mark Mellondorf

Requested by Croitori Family

Friday 9:15 AM

Mark Jozwiak

Requested by Karen Rambow



Readings for Week

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

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(For a list of readings and/or to have them sent to your email ; go to <http://www.usccb.org/nab>)

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.

DETROIT PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Are you called to priesthood? The Archdiocese of Detroit Office of Priestly Vocations offers resources for any young men discerning the priesthood. Our new website has information on applying to seminary, frequently asked questions, and how to get in touch with the vocation director. Learn more at www.detroitpriestlyvocations.com.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 7, 2022

5:00 PM August 6 Fr. Kris		
For Richard McAskin Requested by Bob & Diane Blankenship	Lector	Sharon McCarthy
8:30 AM August 7 Fr. Briffa		
For Wesley Papacharalambous Requested by Family	Lector	Jim Bergin
10:15 AM August 7 Fr. Kris		
For Gordon Horsburgh Requested by Horsburgh Family	Lector	Jeff Antoun
12:00 PM August 7 Fr. Kris		
For Suzanne Stephan Requested by Debbie Kantor	Lector	Paul Radzilowski

ST. GERALD ONLINE GIVING USING SIMPLE GIVE

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 call the Parish Office for instructions. **Please do not go into the Archdiocese of Detroit website to give offertory to the church.**

If you prefer to give by check or cash, collection baskets are located in the back of the church for your weekly donation or you may drop your donation in the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.

OFFERTORY SNAPSHOT

Actual Offertory for Weekend of July 17 -	\$ 7,796.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of July 17 -	\$ 8,105.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory as of July 17 -	\$25,180.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory as of July 17 -	\$24,316.00

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READING 1

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

READING 2

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters:

If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

ALLELUIA

GOSPEL

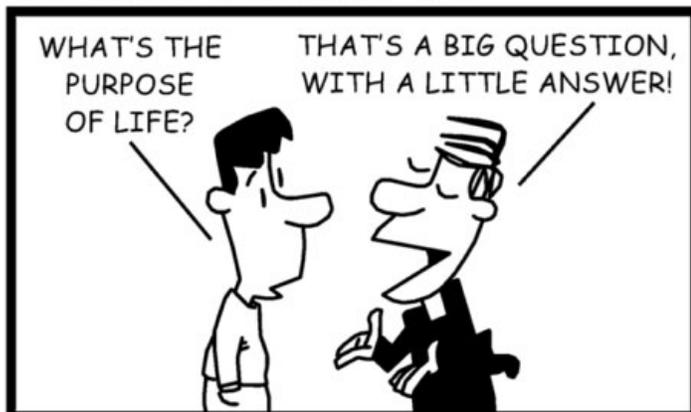
Lk 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!" But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES

If you are new to the parish or did not have a child in the religious program last year and would like to register a child for the 2022-2023 class schedule, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201 or via email at marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com and a registration form will be mailed to you. Registration forms are also available on the parish website at www.stgeraldparish.org. Please return these forms as soon as possible.

Students in Grades 1 - 6 will attend classes on Mondays evenings from 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM. Confirmation preparation classes, Grades 7 and 8, will also gather on alternate Monday evenings from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM. Registration forms have been mailed out and are due back by August 15th. All classes will begin on Monday, September 19th. If you had children in the program last year and have not received a registration form, or have any questions, please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201 or marytaylor.sgp@gmail.com

REMINDER: Following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Detroit, children of the parish are to receive two full years of religious formation before the reception of a sacrament.



If you would like a name to be added on the prayer list in the bulletin, please email stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com or call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470.

PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Maria Rea	Genevieve Browne	Kim Weigold
Kimberly Plonka		Maria Rea
Joan Goniea		Frank Adams

YOUTH UNITED WORK CAMP AUGUST 9 - 11

VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED

St. Gerald teens will again be involved in the Youth United Work Camp on August 9 through 11. (<https://www.facebook.com/YouthUnitedFH/>).

They will be teaming with other houses of worship to do physical work on the grounds of CARES of Farmington Hills (<https://caresfh.org>) Also, they will be working together on several projects to benefit the needy in our community, including Oakland County Foster Care Closet here in Farmington (<https://www.ocfostercloset.org/>) by making toiletry packs and snack packs.

ADULT and TEEN Volunteers are needed for the work camp. Adult volunteers can sign up at (<https://bit.Lu/yuadult22>); Teen project leaders at (<https://bit.ly/yuteenleader>) or visit our Facebook page at (<https://www.facebook.com/YouthUnitedFH/>)

We are asking for donations of the items listed below. Donations can be left in the social hall at the designated area. If you are inclined to donate money to help purchase supplies, please call Gerryanna at 734-341-1999.

Thank you in advance for your generosity, support and prayers for our teens and our community. Gerryanna and the Youth United Teens.

Donations needed: Feminine hygiene products/Soak/Deodorant/ Shampoo/Toothpaste & toothbrushes/Baby wipes/Baby shampoo/Baby lotion/Diapers/ Formula/Individually wrapped snacks and drinks (for children snack bag project)

NOTICE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BINS

Thank you to everyone who so kindly donates clothing items to our St. Vincent de Paul bins located behind the garage for the needy. However, due to current staffing shortages at St. Vincent de Paul, these bins are not always emptied on a weekly basis.

We are asking, that when you come to drop off an item, if the bins are full, please wait a few days and either call the Parish Office or drive by to see if there is again space for you to donate your items. Please do not leave your bag sitting on the ground next to the bins.

We truly appreciate your cooperation.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to request a mass intention for a loved one deceased or living, please contact the Parish Office at 248-477-7470.



2022 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Our 2022 CSA Campaign started on May 8, 2022 and will run through May 15, 2023. We are asking all parishioners to join in contributing to this years' Catholic Services Appeal. If we all give, we will easily meet St. Gerald's 2022 CSA target of \$66,310.00, which is our parish share of the support for the CSA-funded ministries, programs and services. Any gifts we receive over our target will be returned to our parish in full. If, however, we do not meet this target, we will have to make up the shortfall from our general fund.

In order for us to make our goal, we are asking each family to donate \$300.00 We know that some families can afford more and some not so much. If you can't donate at this time, please still return your card showing zero.

There are many ways for you to support the CSA. You may make a one-time gift or pledge the gift and make payments over a nine-month period of time starting in July.

You may give your donation on-line or by check, below are a few general instructions.

Instructions for On-line Giving:

- You can donate at any time by going to GiveCSA.org
- Click on - Manage your CSA 2022 Gift
- Sign in or click on "give now"
- Choose your organization from the drop-down arrow - St. Gerald - Farmington
- Fill out the amount you wish to give and if one time or recurring
- Return your card to St. Gerald with a note on it indicating you did on-line giving.

If you make a donation by check, please make sure your check is payable to **Archdiocese of Detroit - CSA**

Please return your CSA card by mail in the envelope provided, or drop it off in the collection basket or the Parish Office. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office at 248-477-7470.

If you have not made your donation yet, we ask that you continue to prayerfully consider what type of donation you can give to support our parish. It does make a difference!

PARISH REGISTRATION

At St. Gerald we welcome all and encourage anyone 18 years of age and older to become registered members of the Parish.

Registration is a simple process that can be done at the Parish Office during office hours 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Thursday or by picking up a Registration form located in the hallway rack in the education section of the building or printing a form off at home from our website. Completed forms may be mailed in, dropped off in the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket in the back of the church.



Thank you to everyone who has made a donation. Your support is very much appreciated!



**CHARITY CASINO BUS TOUR
SPONSORED BY OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Please join us at Firekeepers Casino in Battle Creek on Wednesday, August 10th. The bus leaves St. Gerald Parish parking lot at 9 AM and returns at 6 PM. For information regarding cost, etc., and to sign up, please call Richard Smith at 313-421-0204, Bruce Roberts at 248-756-9257 or Richard Rosowski at 248-477-2511.

BAPTISM BABY BLANKETS

The photo below was taken at the June 26 baptism of one our newest parish members. Baby Hannah Funchar and family were presented with a quilt made by Sue Borchert, the wife of our K of C brother Paul Borchert.



On the reverse side of the blanket, the baby's name and date of baptism are inscribed along with the Knights of Columbus logo and the declaration "Created in the Image of God". This is a new ritual that we plan to continue in the future. Our K of C Council believes it is important to show our support for this blessed event and other endeavors that bolster our Catholic faith and family life. If you are interested in finding out more about the K of C Council at St. Gerald and the works we do, contact Richard Smith 313-421-0204 or pollygirl219@aol.com.

FUNERAL NOTIFICATIONS
Have you learned, after the fact, that someone from our parish has died and the funeral is already over? Would you like to be notified when we have a funeral for one of our parishioners?

We are creating a notification list of those who want to receive an email with the funeral information so you can celebrate the Mass of Resurrection for fellow parishioners. Please send your name and email address to the Parish Office at stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com if you would like your name added to the list.

May the soul of the faithfully departed, rest in peace



**ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH
Office Hours**

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(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
- Cell: 313-205-8633
- 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: Director of Music x 222
- Cell: 734-578-4179 or Email: mmelonio@aol.com

Worship Ministry x 202

- Norma Battel
- Email: stgeraldworship@gmail.com

Youth Ministry

- Gerryanna Luscri x 208
- Email: gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com

Maintenance
Tom Kruger

Accountant
Kim Smith

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.

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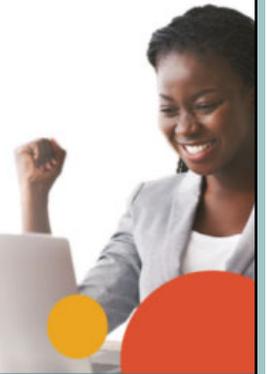


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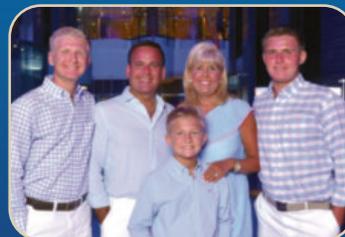
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