

The St. Gerald Voice

Roman Catholic Church

APRIL 16 | SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

*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.

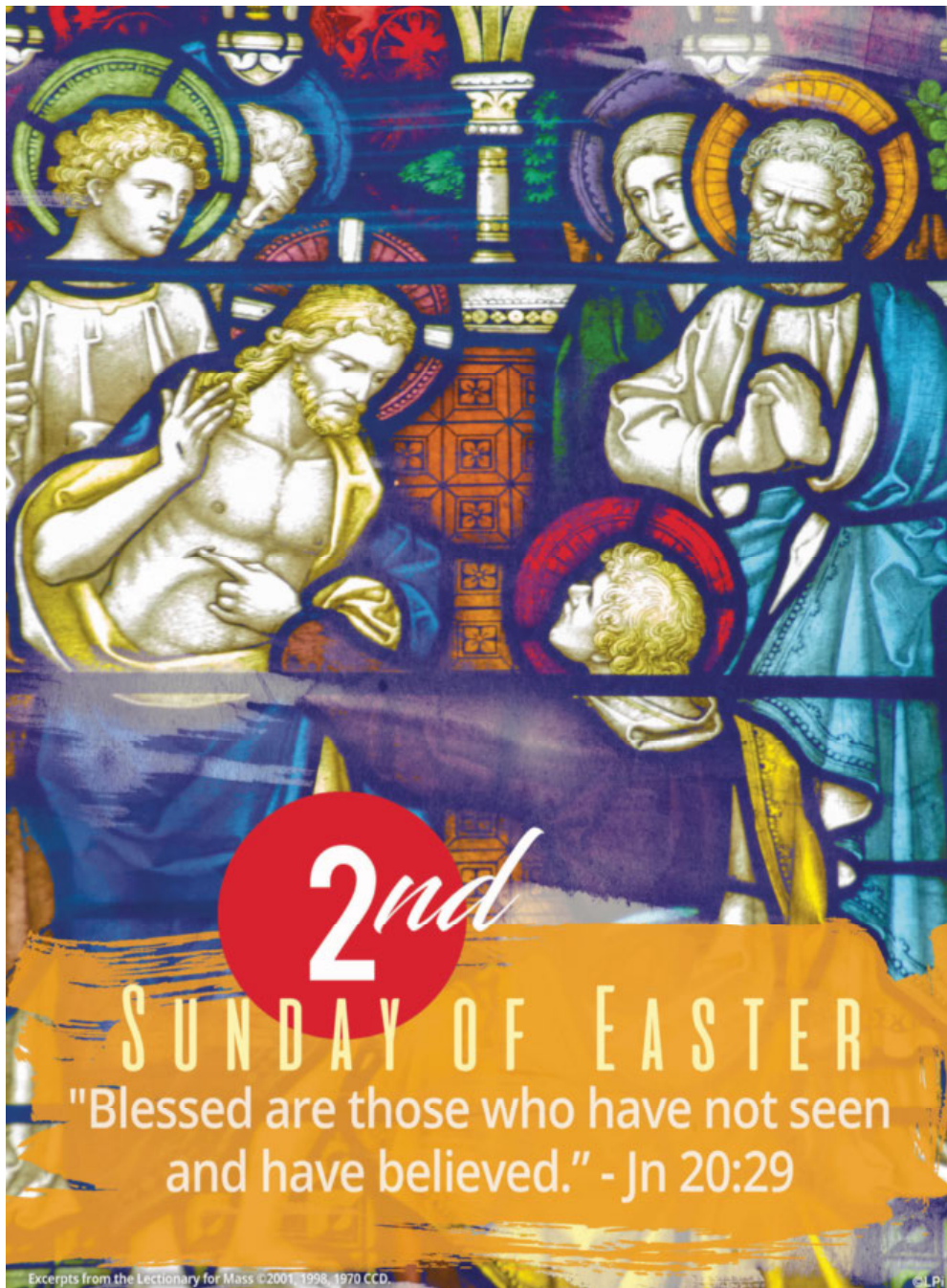
RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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.



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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



APRIL 17 – APRIL 21

Monday 9:15 AM
Pauline Plasencia

Requested by
Tom and Arlene McPhail

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Anthony Pavco

Requested by Joe Pavco

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
Jim Brandi and Lou Brohl
Requested by Mullen Family

Friday 9:15 AM
Gordon Giffen
Requested by Sharon Giffen

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 23, 2023

5:00 PM	April 22	Fr. Kris
For Robert E. Blankenship Requested by Bob & Diane Blankenship	Lectors	Sharon McCarthy
8:30 AM	April 23	Fr. Kris
For Walter Winiarski Requested by Victor Winiarski	Lector	Jim Bergin
10:15 AM	April 23	Fr. Roodbeen
For Eglandina Valente Requested by Cosimo Valente	Lector	Jeff Antoun
12:00 PM	April 23	Fr. Kris
For All Our Parishioners	Lector	Teddi Williams

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
 Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



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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 call the Parish Office for instructions. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gerald Parish.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER THROUGH SIMPLE GIVE

If you are giving your donations to St. Gerald online through Simple Give and would like to make a donation for **Easter**, you can do so now through April 16. Thank you!



Please remember in your prayers

Joan Goniea Kim Weigold
 Marie Bolivar Barbara Seabolt
 Maria Rea Kimberly Plonka
 Winifred Maguire

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.



CELEBRATION OF FIRST COMMUNION

Sunday, April 23rd
 12:00 PM Mass
 All are welcome!

Second Sunday of Easter

READING 1

ACTS 2:42-47

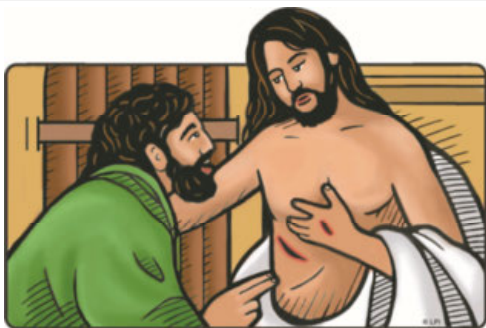
They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

READING 2

1 Pt 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.



Let us welcome our newest member:

Assumpta Opara

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

ALLELUIA

GOSPEL

JN 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

RITA ELIZABETH ADAMS

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FEBRUARY 7, 1922

MARCH 27, 2023

KATHRYN ROBERTS

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OCTOBER 5, 1949

MARCH 31, 2023

CLARENCE MORGAN

+

OCTOBER 29, 1928

APRIL 5, 2023

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO RITA, KATHRYN AND CLARENCE
O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.



Upcoming Events at our Parish

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MEETING AT ST. GERALD

On Thursday, April 27, at 10:00 AM in the Parish Social Hall, an officer from the Farmington Police Department will be here to give a presentation on how to react if there is an emergency situation at church. All who take an active role here at the parish are invited to attend this meeting. Your knowledge may save a life! Please call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470 if you would like to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

for something a little bit different!

St. Gerald Vacation Bible School 2023 Power Lab

Where Jesus Gives us the Power
June 27th-29th
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM



Songs

Drama

Crafts

Healthy Snacks



EVENING OF WELCOME FOR NEW MEMBERS

All new parish members, including those from the past few years, (since we have not had a formal event since 2019), are invited to our Evening of Welcome.

The purpose of the Evening of Welcome is for you, as a new member of the parish, the opportunity to meet the parish staff and other lead members of our church. The date for this event is Thursday, April 27th following the 7:00 PM Mass. We hope to see and meet our newest members there.

If you have joined the parish in the last couple of years and would like to attend, please rsvp at the Parish Office or call Gerryanna 248-476-7677, ext. 208.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here the weekend of April 29 and 30 for all your donations.



SPRING INTO ACTION...

IT'S TIME TO DO THE CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN UP.

Everyone is invited to help with the St. Gerald Grounds Clean up, including teens and adults looking for Community Service hours.

Come join us on Saturday, April 29th at 10 AM or Rain Date on May 6th. The sign up sheet is located at the main and side entrance of the church.

If these dates do not work for your schedule, feel free to contribute any work at your leisure. This allows everyone an opportunity to help out.

Areas of need:

- ◆ Trash pick up along perimeter fence line
- ◆ Cleaning up garden beds and raking leaves from under bushes
- ◆ General pick up of branch and twigs
- ◆ You can bring your own rake, or use one of St. Gerald's

Lawn bags are needed for refuse. Please place your bag donation in the designated box near the Parish Office entrance.

Thank you for keeping St. Gerald a beautiful place to visit and worship. *The St. Gerald Gardening Team*

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation on Saturday, April 22nd and First Eucharist during the noon Mass on Sunday, April 23rd. They are **Nolan Austin, Addy Bachor, Jack Duggan, Ruth Mineau, Mason Skinn and Olivia Truant**. Pray for them and their families as they look forward to these celebrations.



Donations of packaged cookies and microwaveable mac and cheese cups would be appreciated. Just place your donation in the bin located at the main entrance of the church.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

ST. GERALD PARISH PICNIC WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH. WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Easter Vigil



The above is a picture of Barbara Fitzgerald who was received into the Roman Catholic Church at our Easter Vigil last Saturday night, with her sponsor George Bonemer.

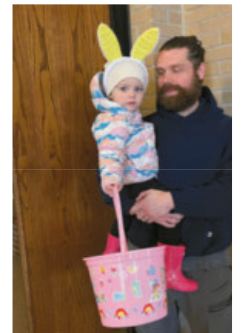
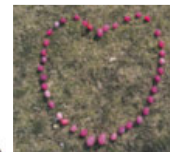


JOURNEY OF FAITH

Easter Food Blessing Followed by Easter Egg Hunt



Many showed up to get their Easter Food Blessed on Holy Saturday. After the blessing the children went outside to hunt for Easter Eggs. What a beautiful day and lots of fun!





KNIGHTS CORNER

The month of March was a busy and sad time for the Knights. We welcomed a new member and a new Advocate. We also attended the funerals of two members – Bruce Berend and Dan Murphy. Both men had been active until illness forced them to the sidelines.

John McLoughlin is the new addition to the Officers' lineup. He was elected Advocate at the March 21 general meeting to fill out the remaining 3-1/2 months of a term vacated by Jerome Williams. Jerome has been coping with a variety of ailments for the last several years. Incidentally, John and his wife Angela were cited as March Family of the Month. The new member is Wayne Perkins, an 80-year old who still plays hockey. Wayne promised to become an active member as soon as he recovers from hip surgery scheduled for late in March.



John McLoughlin Wayne Perkins



The Knight will once again be hosting a pancake breakfast after the 8:30 AM and 10:15 AM Masses on Sunday, April 30th. We will have our usual menu of goodies, and are once again requesting a Free-Will donation, if you are able. We look forward to seeing you there!

Want to know more about the Knights of Columbus or how to become a Knight? Please call Rich Smith, our Membership Director, at 313-421-0204.

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.

Please help us keep our parish records up-to-date. If you move, have a change of phone number or any other change, please call the Parish Office at 248-477-7470 or email stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com.



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

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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.

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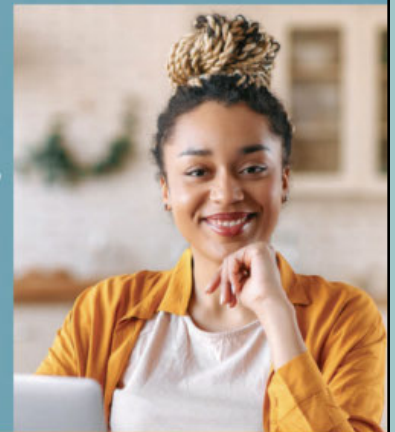
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