

# The St. Gerald Voice

## Roman Catholic Church

May 19, 2024

PENTECOST SUNDAY

*A Servant Church  
of the Archdiocese of Detroit*

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday  
8:00 am—4:30 pm

### 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.

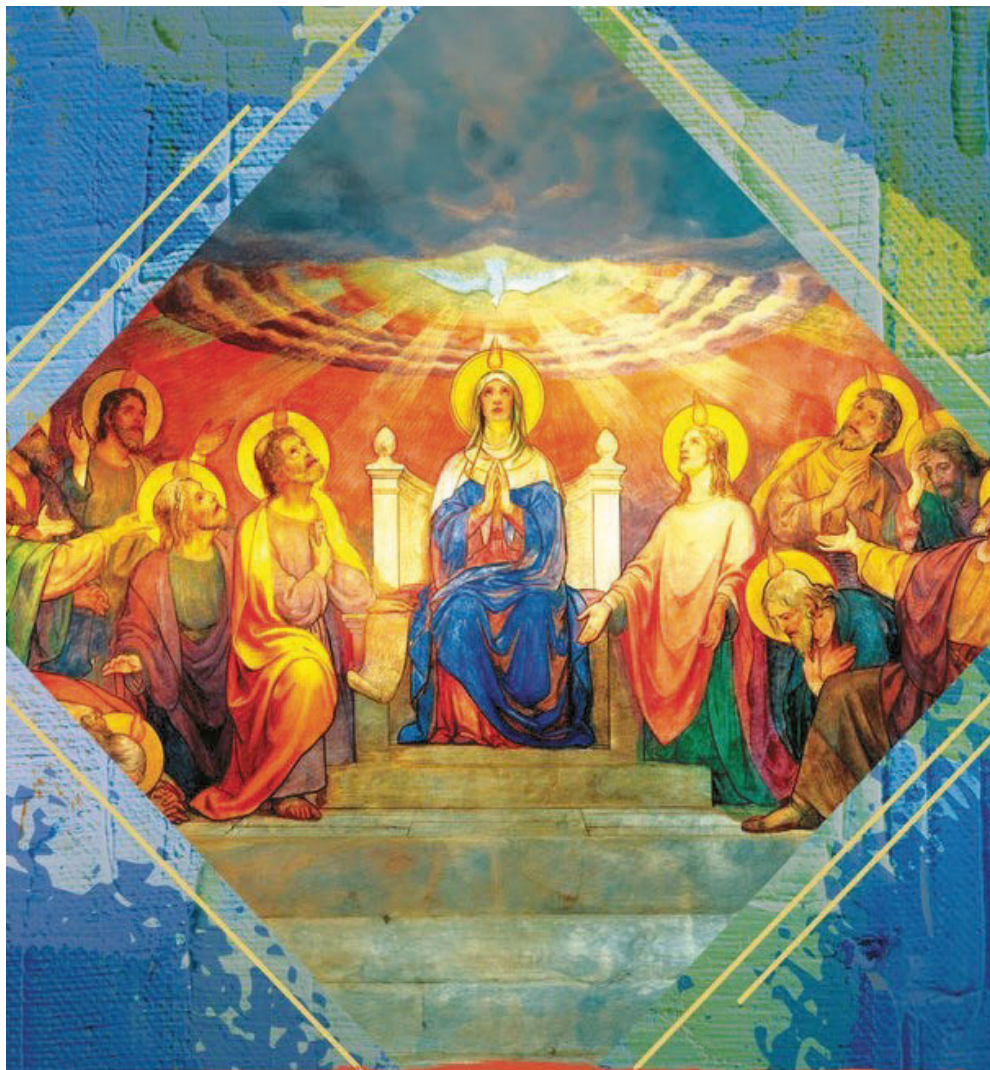
### RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

“But when he comes, the Spirit of truth,  
he will guide you to all truth.” - Jn 16:12

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**MAY 20 — MAY 24**

Monday 9:15 AM

**Keith Michael Hahn +**

Tuesday 9:15 AM

**Frank Adams +**

Requested by Geri Adams

Wednesday—No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM

**For Family Peace**

Friday 9:15 AM

**Joan Burns**

Requested by Emily Long

## Readings for the Week

- Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
- Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23/Mk 9:30-37
- Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40
- Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/ Mk 9:41-50
- Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12
- Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16
- Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 12b)/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Please pray for our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, who are suffering

<b>Gwen Korody</b>	<b>Margaret Williams</b>	<b>Sharon McAskin</b>
<b>Debbie Dafoe</b>	<b>Walter Pauz</b>	<b>Robert Lenard</b>
<b>Shirley Murray</b>	<b>Marlon Alafritz</b>	<b>Roseanne McQueen</b>

The above list will be refreshed every three months. If you wish to have loved ones remain on the list, please call the parish office 248-477-7470 to have them reinstated, if prayers are still needed.



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](mailto:stgeraldsecretary@yahoo.com).

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

**MAY 26, 2024**

5:00 PM			May 25	Fr Henry
For <b>For All Of Our Parishioners</b>	<b>Lector</b>	Diane Blankenship		
8:30 AM			May 26	Fr Briffa
For <b>Walter Winiarski</b> Requested by Victor Winiarski	<b>Lector</b>	Candy Rosowski		
10:15 AM			May 26	Fr Briffa
For <b>Antonio Delibero +</b> Requested by Josephine Rotondo & family	<b>Lector</b>	Caron Kott		
12:00 PM			May 26	Fr Henry
For <b>Peter Zanotti +</b> Requested by Stefano Forlino	<b>Lector</b>	Paul Radzilowski		



**Francisco Herrera**

### Offertory Snapshot as of 5/5/2024

Actual Offertory	\$ 9,796.00
Budget Offertory	\$ 8,105.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	\$ 369,373.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	\$ 356,641.00

## PENTECOST SUNDAY READINGS

### Reading 1

Acts 2:1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

### Responsorial Psalm

### Reading 2

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

### Alleluia



### Gospel

Jn 20:19-23

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."

## *Jesus invites you to come as you are!*

Don't worry if you have never experienced Eucharistic Adoration before.  
Bring your family, friends, and lawn chairs, and be ready to encounter the Lord who loves you.



## SUNDAY, JUNE 2

### *Eucharistic Adoration with Christian Praise & Worship Music*

2:30-4:30pm • Downtown Plymouth • Kellogg Park

### *Parking*

Parking will be available at OLGC Parish School located at 1151 William Street. You can also visit [bit.ly/ParkPly24](https://bit.ly/ParkPly24) for a map of Plymouth's public parking lots.

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## **Tuesday Scripture Study with Fr. Santoro**

The **last** session of our Tuesday Scripture study for spring 2024 will be May 21st. Keep an eye out for Fall Scripture study in the bulletin.



The last Children's Liturgy of the Word for this school year is May 19th. Thank you to our volunteers, Nancy Gilbert and Alison Mineau, for teaching God's Word to our young ones. We look forward to having the children join again in September. Have a blessed summer!



## **St. Gerald 2024 Parish Picnic Sunday, June 23, 2024 1-4 pm**

There are sign-up sheets on the table in the narthex.

Please, take a moment and see if there is something you would like to do to make this year's picnic a fantastic "family picnic", your St. Gerald family as well as your biological family.

We are going to have more games and activities for children as well as our corn hole games for our big kids. We are going to do three 50/50 raffles, one each hour to give more people a chance to win some \$\$\$ as well as our silent basket raffles.

Watch The Voice each week for more Information.

We hope you will be able to come and enjoy friends you know and maybe make some new friends.

**ST. GERALD PARISH PICNIC  
SUNDAY JUNE 23, 2024 1-4 PM**



**HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, SALADS, DESSERTS**



**GAMES, GAMES AND MORE GAMES**



**HOURLY 50/50 RAFFLES AND BASKET RAFFLES**



**AND MORE FAMILY FUN FOR ALL**



## 2024 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Our 2024 CSA Campaign has started! 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 2024 CSA target of \$55,164.00, which is our parish share of the support for the CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services. When we support the CSA, together we focus **With Eyes Fixed on Jesus** to Witness Christ as His disciples.

We have received refunds from CSA 2022 & 2023 for approximately \$17,000.00. Those funds received from CSA along with funds from savings will be used to replace all the exterior doors in July with a cost of \$87,000.00.

In order for us to make our goal and to help with money coming back to the church in a refund we are asking each family to donate \$300.00. We know that some families can afford more and some not so much. We are asking everyone to donate something to allow us to reach that goal. If you cannot donate at this time, please still return your card showing zero. Remember, we get 100% refund for everything over our goal but any shortfall would be paid from St. Gerald's bank account.

There are various ways for you to support the CSA. You may make a one-time gift or pledge the gift using your credit card making monthly or quarterly payments. Whatever, you decide the campaign for CSA 2024 will be completed by April 30, 2025.

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

### Instructions for On-line Giving:

- \* You can donate at any time by going to [www.GiveCSA.org](http://www.GiveCSA.org)
- \* Click on – Give to CSA 2024
- \* Sign in or click on “Pledge to Give”
- \* 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 indicating you gave on-line

If donation is made 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.

Your pledge packet will be available for you to pick up after Mass during the month of May. Starting in June any cards not picked up will be mailed with a letter asking for support to reach the goal. If you are not a member and would like to donate, we are able to provide you with a card for pledging.

Please continue to prayerfully consider your most generous support you can give to our parish. We appreciate your support and know it does make a difference.



## BANNS OF MARRIAGE 2ND BANN

“We publish the banns of marriage between Connor Minton and Kirsten Padalis. This is the second time of asking. If any of you know cause or just impediment why these two persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it.”

**Blood Drive!!!!**

Monaghan Knights of Columbus  
19801 Farmington Rd  
Livonia, MI



**Monday, May 20, 2024  
1:00 pm— 7:00 pm**

Blood levels are very low. Just one pint of blood saves the lives of three people. Please consider coming to donate. To schedule an appointment, simply call:

**866-MIBLOOD or visit 222.versiti.org/MI.** Appointments are preferred, walk-ins are welcome as the schedule allows.



Mother and Unborn Baby Care is seeking a **Client Services Asst. Director**, weekdays from 10-5. Perhaps you know a pro-life grad who would like to pursue a challenging and fulfilling career opportunity in a welcoming, faith-based environment. If so, we invite them to contact us at [jobs@maubc.org](mailto:jobs@maubc.org) or call (248) 559-7576 to learn more!

# Baby Bottle Drive



Starts  
Mother's Day  
Weekend  

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Return  
Father's Day  
Weekend



Maryville—Holly  
  
June 11-13, 2024  
(midweek for those who work weekends)  
  
Apply today at [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or contact Chris & Darla at 517-667-0433

## Save the date and register NOW!

Youth United teen organization is hosting the **6th Annual Service Camp**, with the help of our interfaith partners (adults, teens, laypeople, staff, and clergy from 11 churches, mosques, and synagogues)

**Wednesday, June 26 and Thursday, June 27, 2024**

9:00 am to 2:00 pm at CARES of Farmington

Our funding will come from contributions from our partner faith communities, friends, and grant funds. Proposed 2024 teen projects include assembling snack packs and birthday celebration kits for area youth; compiling activity bags tailored to support summer learning and memory retention for kids and seniors, who are respective CARES clients; creating art canvases for children in the Oakland County Foster Care system; and miscellaneous beautification and minor building projects for the CARES campus. We'll also have a new format for faith discussions where teens can interact with representatives from Christianity, Judaism, and Islam.

### How you can help:

Spread the word to any youth who might be interested in taking part in this meaningful experience.

- \* Teens entering 6th grade to graduating seniors
- \* No faith affiliation needed
- \* Teens & adult volunteers can register at <https://bit.ly/youthunited24>

Keep Youth United in your prayers. We pray the witness of interfaith teens working together and reaching out to their neighbors help mend our divided world. Youth United does touch intergenerational and interfaith hearts. However, the planning takes a toll on the small group of lay and staff members of our faith organizations. We pray new people will become invested and involved, ensuring the longevity of this unique program.

Want to help out as an adult mentor? Let co-leader Gerryanna Luscri know. We'll get you a registration link! [gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com](mailto:gerryanna.youthministry@gmail.com) or call 248-476-7677 x208

You can also contact Karen Linnell or Laura Hedgecock with any questions, or you can email [YouthUnited@gmail.com](mailto:YouthUnited@gmail.com).

Additionally, we could use some experienced members to help plan and oversee construction projects. (Adult volunteers, please use <https://bit.ly/youthunited24> to register).

**NEEDED DONATION ITEMS:** Please leave items in classroom 7, adjacent to the social hall. All items must be received before June 21st.

Personal care items: feminine hygiene products, tissue packs, toiletries (all sizes), hand sanitizers, baby wipes, formula, diapers, new socks (adults and kids), non-perishable food items for CARES community food pantry, laundry detergent (30 load).

Thank you in advance for your support, involvement and generosity, may God bless you.

Youth Ministry

*Gerryanna Luscri*





## Knights Corner, 5-19-24

### Memorial Mass

St. Gerald Knights of Columbus will be honoring all the deceased members of Council 13673 at our annual Memorial Mass on **Thursday, May 23rd**, at 7:00 pm at St. Gerald Church. We invite all members of the honored families as well as our parishioners to attend this special Mass.

### Pancake Breakfast

We held another successful Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2024. Thanks to your generosity, we will be donating \$1,000 to Mary's Mantle, a home for young mothers and their babies (see below for more information on Mary's Mantle). A special thanks goes out to Brother Knights Paul Borchert, Rich Rosowski, Rich Smith, Chris Malecke, Tom Demshuk, Ron Bywalec, Peter Becks, Bruce Roberts, Greg Peters, Scott Horsburg, Ralph Koch, Armin Russenberger and Rich Plasencia. You guys are the BEST!

We also had Knights from outside our Council including our District Deputy Gary Malia, as well as Dick Shelt and our former District Deputy Don Gerrien to help talk to folks about becoming a Knight of Columbus.



Here's some information about our chosen charity, Mary's Mantle, which is new to the rotation of charities we support with your help. Mary's Mantle is a Catholic home for expectant mothers. We were inspired by their new mission to provide subsidized, safe transitional housing for 10-12 women and their babies plus job training and child care. Learn more at [www.MarysMantle.net](http://www.MarysMantle.net). We're sure you will agree this is a worthy recipient for our contributions.

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. Joining the Knights does not obligate anyone to spend any more than they want to on our projects. It does provide a great opportunity to help others, and you will get to spend some time with some great guys on a regular basis. We remain, Good Men doing Good Works!



#### CALLING YOUNG & SENIOR ADULTS

... our summer kid's program of Vacation Bible School needs your help in hosting a vibrant program for our kindergarten to 5th grade children. If you have a talent for music, storytelling, or crafts and like a vibrant atmosphere, we want you with us! We need story/drama helpers, also game, snack prep and craft helpers during the program that runs from 5:30 to 7:30 pm Mon.-Thurs. June 24-27th.

If you are interested in helping out for one, or all four days, please give us a call. We'd love to know what area you would like to lend a hand in order to make this a special program for our youth. A volunteer meeting will be held June 3rd 5:30 pm. Please call Emily 248-476-7677, if you have any questions.

Faith Formation Corner

This summer we will be sharing tidbits each week from Awaken, a Pflaum Faith Formation Program for adults, written and edited by Jo Ann Paradise, D.Min. The full printed weekly resource is available next to the bulletins in the church entrance.

CONNECTING GOSPEL AND CHURCH TEACHING

Gifts Given and Shared Why does God give us spiritual gifts? Pope Francis makes it clear in an October 1, 2014 talk. "A charism (gift) is more than a talent or personal quality. It is a grace, a gift that God gives through the Holy Spirit. As a sign of God's superabundant love for his children, they are rich and varied, yet each is meant to serve the building up of the Church as a communion of faith and love." We are powerfully formed by our culture to believe that our gifts are for our personal benefit. "Do everything you can to get the most money and status from them," is an underlying principle of our economic system. This message is so dominant that hearing the voice of the Holy Spirit may be almost impossible. Hear Pope Francis ask, "What charism has the Lord given me? Do I assume it with generosity, placing it at the service of all, or have I perhaps neglected it, forgotten?"

Sincerely in Christ,

Emily Long

Food Pantry Donation

Items Currently Needed:

- Crackers
Boxed Potatoes
Variety Canned Fruit
Jelly
Deluxe Mac & Cheese
Toothpaste
Adult Toothbrushes
Non-refrigerated/Microwaveable meals (ex. Hormel Compleats)



Attention parents!

Registration for 2024 VBS begins now!

St. Gerald will be hosting Vacation Bible School June 24-27, 5:30-7:30pm. Forms may be found on our website, in the classroom hallway information center, or email Emily Long at faithformation.sgp@gmail.com

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

Office Hours

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday. (secretary at lunch 12:00 pm—12:30 pm)

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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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