



The St. Gerald Voice

July 12, 2026

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*A Servant Church
of the Archdiocese of Detroit*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday
8:00 am—4:00 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.



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever has ears ought to hear.”
- Mt 13:3, 7-9

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



July 13 - July 17

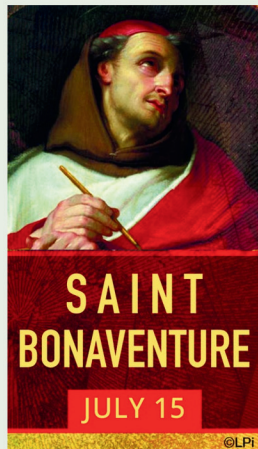
Monday 9:15 AM
David Wojnar +
Requested by Ken Brach

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Priscilla Miranda +
Requested by Blen Cardozo

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
Agazzi Family +
Requested by Family

Friday 9:15 AM
Florence Murray +
Requested by Victor
Winiarski



Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-3

Offertory Snapshot as of 6/28/26

Actual Offertory	\$ 4,913.00
Budget Offertory	\$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	\$ 446,888.75
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	\$ 441,792.00



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 2026

5:00 PM	July 18	Fr. Henry
For Michael Albis + Requested by Family	LECTOR	Diane Blankenship
8:30 AM	July 19	Fr. Kris
For Mary Camilleri + Requested by Family	LECTOR	Mark Cieslak
10:15 AM	July 19	Fr. Kris
For Shirley Pastir + Requested by Friends Of Family	LECTOR	Scott Horsburgh
12:00 PM	July 19	Fr. Henry
For All Of Our Parishioners	LECTOR	Sharon McCarthy

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"Give".



Please pray for our fellow
brothers and sisters who are
suffering

Rose LaFave
Bob Provow
Shirley Murray
Bob Elens
Madison Bonadeo

We will **not** have Eucharistic
Adoration, after the 9:15 AM Mass
on First Friday, nor the 9:15 AM
First Saturday Mass during the
months of June, July and August.
**Adoration and First Saturday
Mass will resume in September.**

Have a Blessed Summer!



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1

Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

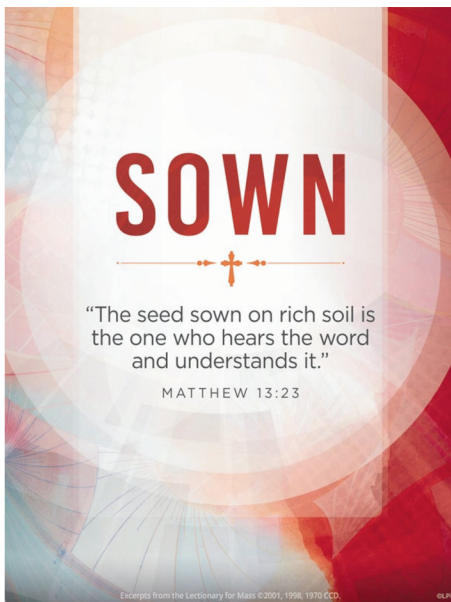
Responsorial Psalm

Reading 2

Romans 8:18-23

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

Alleluia



Gospel

Matthew 13:1-23

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them. "But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it. "Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you to each of you who have taken time to provide your feedback to the post-listening session survey thus far. If you attended one of our parish listening sessions, you likely received an email from Catholic Leadership Institute when the online survey for our planning area opened.

If you did not receive an email or were unable to attend a listening session, rest assured that you are still able to view all the models and share your feedback in the online survey on the Archdiocesan Restructuring website at restructuring.aod.org through July 31, 2026. Please consider taking time to prayerfully review the proposed models and share your feedback at **restructuring.aod.org** or use the QR code below.

If you need assistance completing the online survey, please call the parish office 248-477-7470.

Your feedback is an important part of the restructuring process. Please be sure to share your thoughts, and continue to pray for all of our parishes, priests, staff, and lay faithful throughout this process.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Krzysztof Nowak



**A Prayer
for Restructuring
the Archdiocese of Detroit**

Rooted in Prayer
Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known
as we restructure the parishes and ministries
of our Archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together.
Help us hear your voice
in the quiet of our own hearts,
in the wisdom of others,
and in the world around us.

We know you are with us
in every step of the process.
Give us clarity, understanding, and direction.
In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

St. Anne, pray for us.
Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

2026 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Our 2026 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 2026 CSA target of **\$56,498.00**, which is our parish share of support for the CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services. When we support the CSA, we live out our Gospel message theme, **"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Matthew 6:21)**. This is a call to each of us to show love, care, and compassion for others.

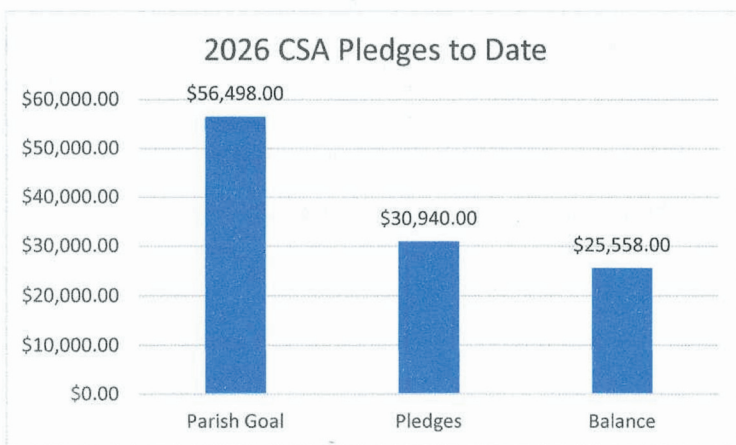
In order for us to make our goal we are asking each family to donate \$300.00. We know that some families can afford more and some not so much. We are asking everyone to donate something to allow us to reach our goal. If you cannot donate at this time, please still return your card showing zero. Remember, 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 Donation, pledge a gift using your credit card making monthly or quarterly payments. Whatever, you decide the campaign for CSA 2026 will be completed by **December 31, 2026**.

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.

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.



SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL

Food Pantry Items Currently Needed:

Tuna Helper
Shampoo
Conditioner
Canned Carrots
Shelf Stable Microwaveable meals such as Hormel
Canned Corn
Cookies
Jelly/Jam
Saltines
Canned Peaches & Pears



Please check the expiration, best by or use by dates on your food donations. After that date we are unable to distribute to our Neighbors in Need and must dispose of the food. Thank you for all your donations to aid our Neighbors.

Offertory Snapshot as of 6/7/26

Actual Offertory	\$ 14,306.00
Budget Offertory	\$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual	\$ 423,354.75
Year-to-Date Budget	\$ 416,304.00

Offertory Snapshot as of 6/14/26

Actual Offertory	\$ 11,311.00
Budget Offertory	\$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual	\$ 434,665.75
Year-to-Date Budget	\$ 424,800.00

Offertory Snapshot as of 6/21/26

Actual Offertory	\$ 7,310.00
Budget Offertory	\$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual	\$ 441,975.75
Year-to-Date Budget	\$ 433,296.00

We at St. Gerald would
like to congratulate
David,

on graduating from high school, and wish him the best, as he begins a new chapter in his life as a college student at Schoolcraft College this fall. We want to thank him for his years as an altar server/bell ringer and are thrilled that he is going to continue serving our church in that role.



Blood Drive !!!
Monaghan Knights of Columbus
19801 Farmington Rd
Livonia, MI

Monday, July 27, 2026
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: Paul Daniel (586) 248-1443. Appointments are preferred, walk-ins are welcome as the schedule allows.



Welcome to St. Gerald Parish
Family

Kathleen Daniels

We are glad you are here!

St. Gerald Parish Picnic 2026...

was a great success, all to the credit of the many hands, time and talents of our parish family members. You are each so generous and the best volunteers EVER! We are St. Gerald Strong!

In attendance were over 250 members and guests of our parish family.. Each year, we enjoy even more homemade foods & desserts to go with hotdogs & hamburgers grilled by our Knights of Columbus Grill Team. The kids played games and enjoyed candy treats and homemade toys provided by Barb & John Ignash. Great raffle items and baskets were donated by our SVdP and Evangelization Teams and from many members of our parish. Raffle proceeds of \$950 will go to the efforts of our St. Vincent de Paul Society. And, the World Youth Day 50/50 Raffle took in \$390, with \$195 going to the lucky winner.

DJ Ron, kept good music in the air and a good vibe for fellowship and fun throughout our time together.

Big shout outs to Tom Kruger and Jerry Weigold who directed our Knights of Columbus with several volunteers to manage the table, chair and tent set up and take down. Our lovely food service crew ran a smooth line with replenishments.

Kathy Gariepy, with Michael Sawicky and family with others, helped set up the raffle display of homemade artwork, skilled crafts and valuable donations.

Thank you to our raffle sales crew for their time at the ticket sales table.







**Thank you, EVERYONE, for
your support, work and
participation.**

A LOOK AHEAD...

July

19	Sunday	Summer Social Fellowship (after all Sunday Masses)
27	Monday	Knights of Columbus sponsored blood- drive at Monaghan K of C 1:00-7:00 pm
31	Friday	Deadline to submit the AOD Restructuring Survey



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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!

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, formerly RCIA; aka "Becoming Catholic"): Would you or someone you know want to become a full member of the Catholic Church? Contact Emily Long or submit a Becoming Catholic Information Form (found on our website or in the classroom hallway information center).

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 parish office at 248-477-7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a favorable solution.



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