SAINT GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

The St. Gerald Voice

August 23, 2026 | **TWENTY-FIRST 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.



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



Aug 24 - Aug 28

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

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Victoria Pitera +
Requested by Joanne Wojnar

Wednesday NO MASS



Thursday 7:00 PM
Gina & Patrick Hespen +
Requested by Bonacchi Family



Friday 9:15 AM
Joann Pavco +
Requested by Joe Pavco

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29
Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Offertory Snapshot as of 8/9/26		
Actual Offertory	$	9,917.00
Budget Offertory	$	8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	$	44,166.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	$	50,976.00



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2026

5:00 PM	Aug 29	Fr. Kris
For **Theresa Foley** Requested by Doug & Arlene Foley	LECTOR	Diane Blankenship
8:30 AM	**Aug 30**	**Fr. Zalewski**
For **Brian Corcoran +** Requested by Nowak Family	LECTOR	Mark Cieslak
10:15 AM	**Aug 30**	**Fr. Zalewski**
For **Luciano Magnani +** Requested by Bonacchi Family	LECTOR	Jerry Weigold
12:00 PM	**Aug 30**	**Fr. Henry**
For **Mark Wenskay +** Requested by Ken & Joan Galica	LECTOR	Ken Galica

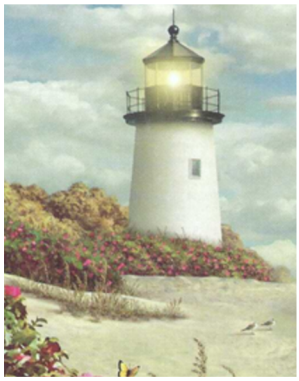


Please pray for our fellow brothers and sisters who are suffering

Rose LaFave
Sandy Crenshaw

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!



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1 **Isaiah 22:19-23**

Thus says the LORD to Shebna, master of the palace: "I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut, when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family."

Responsorial Psalm

Gospel **Matthew 16:13-20**

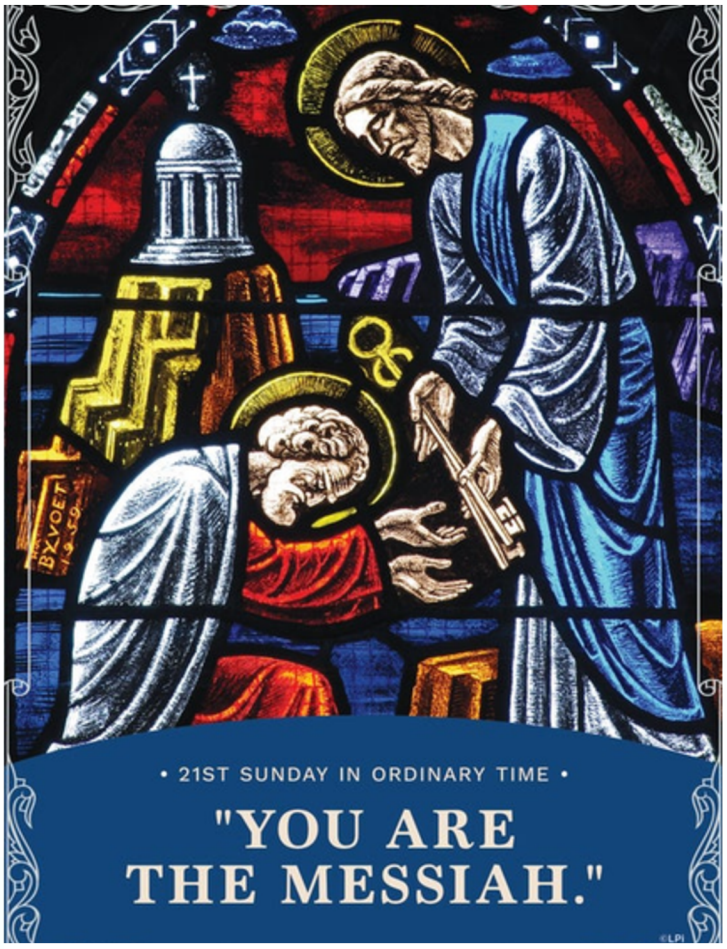
Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

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Reading 2 **Romans 11:33-36**

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Alleluia





The St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

CSA
Catholic Services Appeal

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.

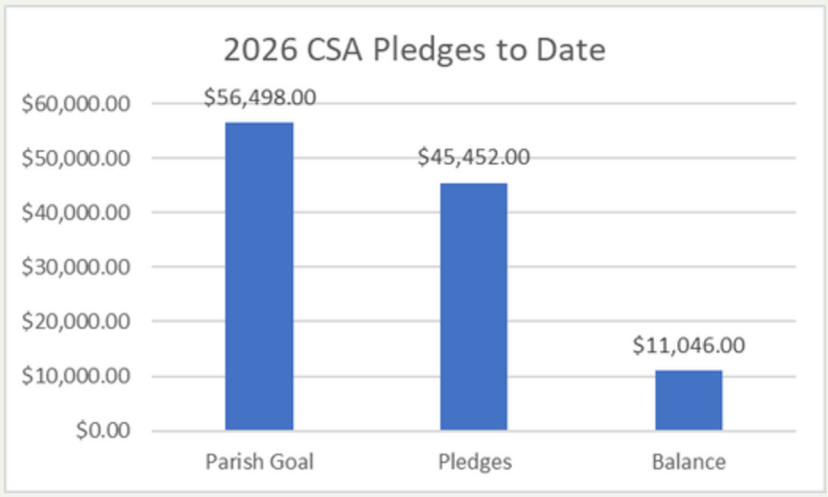
In order for us to make our goal we are asking each family to donate $300.00. We know that some families can afford more and some not so much. We are asking everyone to donate something to allow us to reach our goal. If you cannot donate at this time, please still return your card showing zero. Remember,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



Shampoo
Conditioner
Canned Carrots
Shelf Stable Microwaveable
Canned Corn
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.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE
3rd BANN

"We publish the banns of marriage between **James Daniel Williams II** and **Carolina Marin Fernandez.** This is the third 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."

For convenient online giving, scan this QR code or visit stgeraldparish.org then click "Give".

We Pray for the Repose of the Soul of
+
Dolores Lypka
October 15, 1939
July 28, 2026

Thomas McPhail
September 13, 1935
August 14, 2026

Eternal Rest Grant Unto **Dolores & Thomas,** O Lord, and May Perpetual Light Shine Upon them.

Welcome to St. Gerald Parish Family

Mike & Zona Marihugh

We are glad you are here!

26-27 Faith Formation

The registration deadline for 2026-27 Monday evening faith formation classes has passed, but if you have forgotten, please still contact us to get your child registered as soon as possible. **Confirmation prep begins Sep 21, Grades 1-6 begin Sep 14.**

Please contact the coordinator, Emily Long, at 248.476.7677 Ext 201 or via email at faithformation.sgp@gmail.com.

Forms may be found on our website (stgeraldparish.org/ministries/faith-formation/ or scan the QR code to go directly to the form), or grab a printed form from the classroom hallway information center.

Scan for Registration Form





FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
Nancy Ariza,
Conference Coordinator
832.779.1070
nancy@forlifeandfamily.org

A LOOK AHEAD...



2	Wednesday	Patriotic Rosary 3:00 PM
4	Friday	First Friday Mass 9:15 am Adoration Benediction at 5:00 pm
5	Saturday	First Saturday Mass 9:15 am
20	Sunday	Fellowship Sunday after all Masses

"Helping a person in need is good in itself. But the degree of goodness is hugely affected by the attitude with which it is done. If you show resentment because you are helping the person out of a reluctant sense of duty, then the person may receive your help but may feel awkward and embarrassed. This is because he will feel beholden to you. If, on the other hand, you help the person in a spirit of joy, then the help will be received joyfully. The person will feel neither demeaned nor humiliated by your help, but rather will feel glad to have caused you pleasure by receiving your help. And joy is the appropriate attitude with which to help others because acts of generosity are a source of blessing to the giver as well as the receiver."

St. John Chrysostom

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Luke 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!

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!

Ifyouare new to thearea, 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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