SAINT GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

The St. Gerald Voice

September 27, 2026 — **TWENTY-SIXTH 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.



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him." - Mt 21:32

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Sept 28 - Oct 2



Feast Day Tuesday Sept. 29th

Monday 9:15 AM
Josephine Cassar +
Requested by Blen Cardoza

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Lavo Cardoza +
Requested by Blen Cardoza

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
Fr. Kris
Requested by Jamie & Sandi Crenshaw

First Friday 9:15 AM
Joann Pavco & the Kaye Family +
Requested by Joe Pavco

First Saturday 9:15 AM
Dolores Lypka +
Requested by Family

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Offertory Snapshot as of 9/13/2026		
Actual Offertory	**$**	**6,891.00**
Budget Offertory	**$**	**8,496.00**
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	**$**	**81,316.00**
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	**$**	**93,456.00**



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2026

5:00 PM	**Oct 3**	**Fr. Kris**
For **All Of Our Parishioners**	LECTOR	Diane Blankenship
8:30 AM	**Oct 4**	**Fr. Kris**
For **Charlotte Campbell +** Requested by Doug & Paulette Mullen	LECTOR	Paulette Mullen
10:15 AM	**Oct 4**	**Fr. Henry**
For **William A. Shea +** Requested by Liz Vallespir	LECTOR	Scott Horsburgh
12:00 PM	**Oct 4**	**Fr. Kris**
For **Bennet Family +** Requested by Ken & Joan Galica	LECTOR	Ken Galica

Angel of God my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.
Amen





Please pray for our fellow brothers and sisters who are suffering

Sandi Crenshaw
Sherry Eansor Donovan
Arnie Bonser

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1 **Ezekiel 18:25-28**

Thus says the LORD: You say, "The LORD's way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

Responsorial Psalm

Reading 2 **Philippians 2:1-11**

Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus, Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Alleluia

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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

Gospel **Matthew 21:28-32**

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."



First Friday, October 2
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Following 9:15 AM Mass until 5 PM Benediction. Scheduled Adorers Needed. Sign-up sheet in the gathering space of the church.

Also, please join us for **First Saturday Mass** at 9:15 AM on Saturday, **October 3rd.**

We Pray for the Repose of the Soul of

+

Dr. Joseph Musial III

July 3, 1964
September 15, 2026

Eternal Rest Grant Unto **Joe,** O Lord, and May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him

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.

Bundle Days

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here for your donations!



November 7 & 8th

We could use a few able bodies, men or women, to help with the truck before and after each Mass. Come by if you can.

Please Note: Do not leave items outside of the truck overnight!

PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND COLLECTION

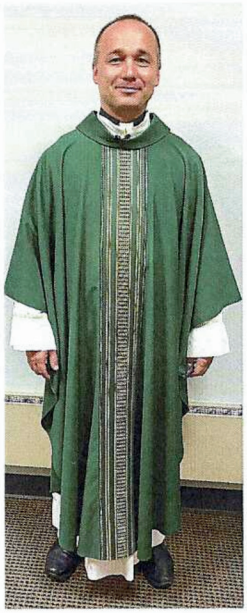
Those who wish to give to the **Priest Retirement Fund** through online giving can do so now through **October 4th**

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

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO, ALL YEAR LONG



FR. ANDRZEJ "ANDREW" ZALEWSKI



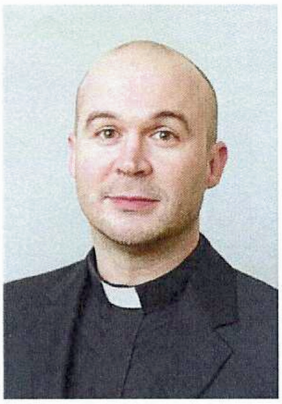
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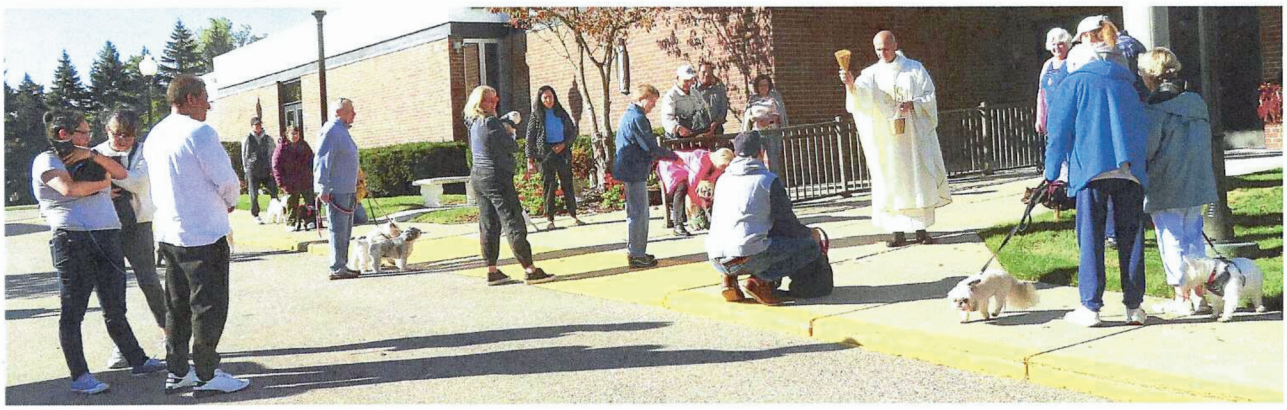


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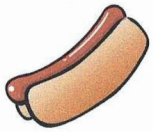
Blessing of the Animals

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026 AFTER THE 9:15 AM FIRST SATURDAY MASS.

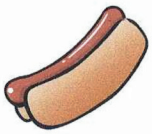
THE BLESSING WILL BE OUTSIDE THE MAIN DOORS PARKING LOT SIDE.



St. Gerald Annual



Trunk or Treat



with Hot Dog Lunch

Sunday, October 25



After the 12:00 Noon Mass come to the social hall to enjoy Hot Dogs grilled by our Knights of Columbus
Kids will have time to change into their costumes
(no costumes during Mass!)
Trunk or Treating will be in the south parking lot

We need volunteers to make this a success!
Donate candy (bin at church entrance) and/or come with your trunk to pass out candy.

*Scan the QR code below to sign up online or contact Emily Long
faithformation.sgp@gmail.com 248.476.7677x201
**Candy donations will be shared with Sacred Heart Major Seminary Detroit Halloween Ministry. Thank you for your generosity!

SAINT GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEW MEMBER WELCOME RECEPTION

We invite all newer members of
St. Gerald Parish to join us
this Sunday,
following the 12:00 Noon Mass
for a Reception
with introduction of staff members,
key ministry leaders and activities
here at St. Gerald

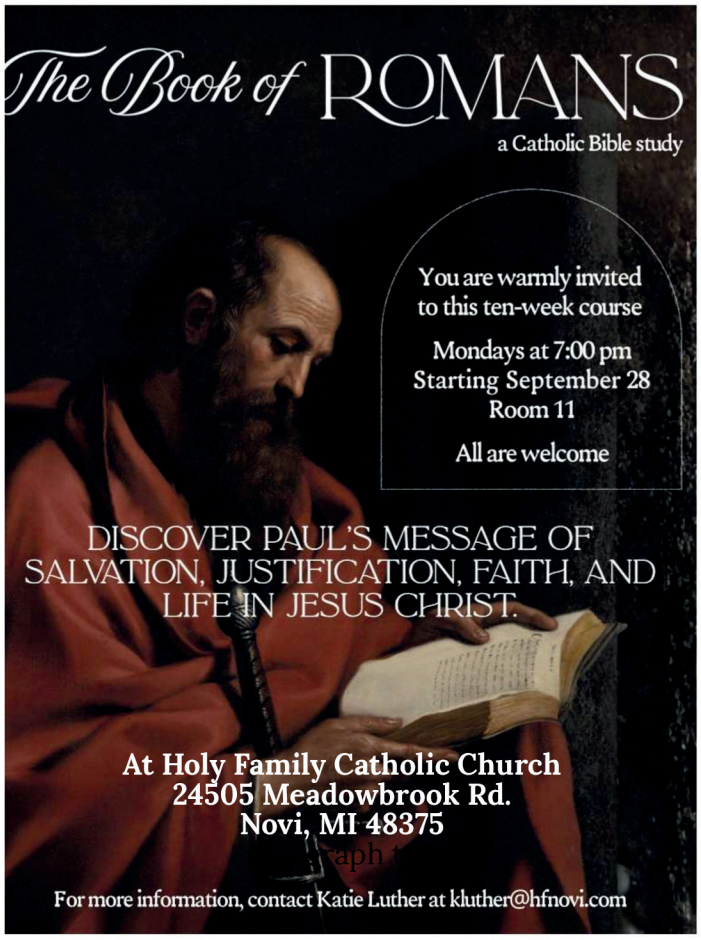
Volunteer opportunities are available for
those who wish to share their talents
with our community.

Join us for MAUBC's Fall for Life Banquet on Thursday, Nov. 12 at Saint John's Resort, Plymouth. Our keynote speaker Mayra Rodriguez, was a manager at the nation's #1 abortion provider, then became a whistleblower!



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Please join us for our fall fundraising gala, 'Fearfully and Wonderfully Made' on Thursday, October 8th from 6-10pm at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

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A LOOK AHEAD...

October

2	Friday	First Friday Mass 9:15 am
3	Saturday	First Saturday Mass 9:15 am followed by Blessing of Animals
4	Sunday	K of C Pancake Breakfast 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
18	Sunday	Fellowship Sunday after all Sunday Masses
21	Wednesday	Casino Day 8:45 pm - 6:00 pm
25	Sunday	Trunk or Treat after Sunday Noon Mass



ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Closed Friday.

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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!

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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