SAINT GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

The St. Gerald Voice

October 11, 2026 | **TWENTY-EIGHTH 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.



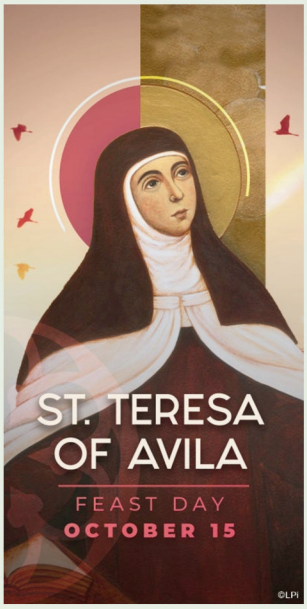


Next Sunday, **October 18th** is **Time & Talent Fellowship Sunday**.

Please plan on joining your fellow parishioners for some fellowship, coffee, donuts, and sign up for ways to share your time and talents!

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



Oct. 12 - Oct. 16

Monday 9:15 AM
Kathleen Daniels +
Requested by
Mark Kronk & Family

Tuesday 9:15 AM
St. Gerald Parishioners
Requested by Jamie & Sandi Crenshaw

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
Don Ferguson +
Requested by
Carol Ferguson

Friday 9:15 AM
Tom McPhail +
Requested by
Kryszak Cousins

Readings for the Week

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Offertory Snapshot as of 9/27/2026	
Actual Offertory	$ 7,822.00
Budget Offertory	$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	$ 94,803.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	$ 110,448.00



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 18, 2026

5:00 PM	Oct 17	Fr. Kris
For **Margaret Weberlein +** Requested by Dennis & Sharon Weberlein	LECTOR	Diane Blankenship
8:30 AM	**Oct 18**	**Fr. Kris**
For **David Wojnar +** Requested by Bonacchi Family	LECTOR	Patrick Rogers
10:15 AM	**Oct 18**	**Fr. Henry**
For **Shirley Pastir +** Requested by Friends & Family	LECTOR	Scott Horsburgh
12:00 PM	**Oct 18**	**Fr. Kris**
For **All Of Our Parishioners**	LECTOR	Teddi Williams

Please pray for our fellow brothers and sisters who are suffering



Sandi Crenshaw
Arnie Bonser
Jeff Tinsman
Megan Ritcher
David Dernbach
Ally Altschuler

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1 **Isaiah 25:6-10a**

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

Reading 2 **Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20**

Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia

Gospel **Matthew 22:1-14**

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."' Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

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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



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:



Canned Peaches & Pears

Baked Beans

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.

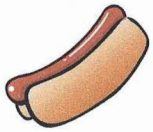
Please Note: Do not leave items outside of the truck overnight!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

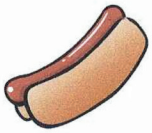
Those who wish to give to **World Mission Sunday** through online giving can do so now through **October 25th**

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

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

Join us at St. Gerald
for a
Fall Bible Study
of Philippians

Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am in the social hall
6 weeks; Oct 13- Nov 17

We will use the
Augustine Institute Formed program,
Lectio: Philippians: Life in Christ
with Dr. Tim Gray to guide us.
Patrick Rogers will facilitate this video
and discussion-based study.



Oct 13 Session 1: Paul and the Philippians (Philippians 1:1-11)
Oct 20 Session 2: Partnership in the Gospel (Philippians 1:3-20)
Oct 27 Session 3: Friendship in Christ (Philippians 1:21-2:5)
Nov 3 Session 4: The Mind of Christ (Philippians 2:6-11)
Nov 10 Session 5: Imitatio Christi (Philippians 2:12-3:14)
Nov 17 Session 6: All Things in Christ (Philippians 3:15-4:23)

Coffee, cookies, and Bibles provided. Invite a friend!

No need to register, but contact Emily Long with any questions.
248.476.7677, Ext. 201 or faithformation.sgp@gmail.com

SVdP Fundraiser Walk Thank You!

We are so grateful to family, friends, and parishioners for your incredible support for our recent **Saint Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk**.

Your generosity surpassed our expectations, raising a total of $2,812.00 for St. Gerald's SVdP conference! This support allows us to serve the needs of the poor struggling with hardships within our own parish community. Your donations go directly toward helping families avoid eviction and utility shut offs. We strive to provide a hand up rather than a hand out, meeting those we serve in person and treating them with dignity and compassion.

We couldn't do it without you! Thank you!



Welcome to St. Gerald Parish Family

BettyJo Erngren

Brandon Kurecki

Peter Fenderson

We are glad you are here!

ST. GERALD'S WOMEN'S ADVENT TEA
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2026 6:00 – 9:00PM
PARISH SOCIAL HALL
$25 PER PERSON

St. Gerald Church would like to welcome all women to our Annual Women's Advent Tea with Wreath Lighting which has been a St. Gerald tradition to come together in the season of Advent to break bread with a group of friends.

You may host an entire table or come as a single person, and we will provide a place for you. If you are hosting a table, additional information will be sent to you. If you are coming as a single and would like to cohost a table, let us know.

Table Hostesses provide dessert and festive place settings for their table. St. Gerald provides a dinner catered by Rocky's of Northville of Chicken Marsala, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetarian Penne Pasta, Vegetable, House Salad, Homemade Rocky's Rolls & butter, coffee, tea, etc.

Seating is limited and fills up quickly; reserve your spot early so you are not disappointed!

For more information, call 248-476-7677 ext. 202.
Checks should be made out to St. Gerald Church

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ST GERALD WOMEN'S ADVENT TEA.

Return this form to the Parish Office with a check by **Nov. 22, 2026 NO EXCEPTIONS**

__ $25.00 (for one person)
☐ $200.00 (for an 8 person table),
☐ $225.00 (for a 9 person table),
☐ $250.00 (for a 10 person table).

Hostess Name_____Phone #_____
Email: _____
Address _____

Names of guests: 1. _____2._____
3. _____ _____4._____
5._____6._____
7._____8_____
9._____10._____

Return this portion to the parish office. **Must be paid in advance**.

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Angela Hospice®

St. Gerald Christian Service, along with Angela Hospice will host speaker presentations on Wednesday evenings at St. Gerald Social Hall. No cost.
(Parking in back of building)

Doors open at 6:00 pm
Presentations begin at 6:30 pm
Ending approximately 7:30pm

Oct. 14 - Stress Management (Angela Hospice)
Oct. 21 - Self Care Tips for Caregivers (Angela Hospice)

Oct. 28 - Preparing our heart, mind and body to move forward; implementing healthy habits through the facets of grief. (Peggy Backus & Gerryanna Luscri)

Light refreshments provided.

St Gerald Parish
21300 Farmington Rd, Farmington
Building is barrier-free.
Enter through main Church doors for barrier-free access,
Rsvp's helpful, but not necessary.
Call 248-476-7677 x 204

ST GERALD CHURCH

Blessing of the Animals







A LOOK AHEAD... October

14	Wednesday	Christian Service & Angela Hospice Speaker Presentation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
18	Sunday	Fellowship Sunday after all Sunday Masses
21	Wednesday	Casino Day 8:45 am - 6:00 pm
21	Wednesday	Christian Service & Angela Hospice Speaker Presentation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
25	Sunday	Trunk or Treat after Sunday Noon Mass
28	Wednesday	Christian Service & Angela Hospice Speaker Presentation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Day Light Saving Time Ends November 1st

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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