SAINT GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

The St. Gerald Voice

October 25, 2026 | **THIRTIETH 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.

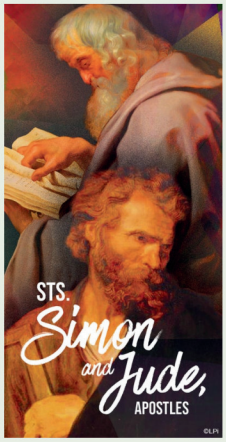




St. Gerald keeps a **Book of Remembrance** in our gathering space **during the month of November**. We invite you to write the names of your deceased loved ones in this book at any time during the month of November. The deceased listed in the Book of Remembrance are remembered during the Prayers of the Faithful at each of our weekend Masses in November. We realize that this time following the death of your loved one has been a difficult time for you and your family and we pray that you might find comfort in our Lord and our Blessed Mother, Mary. Please know that you are remembered in the prayers of our Parish community.

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS



Feast Day Wednesday October 28th

Oct. 26 - Oct. 30

Monday 9:15 AM
Joann Pavco & Kaye Family
Requested by Joe Pavco

Tuesday 9:15 AM
Ken Hartsig +
Requested by
Victor Winiarski

Wednesday NO MASS

Thursday 7:00 PM
Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday 9:15 AM
Jessica Ferguson +
Requested by
Diane Socier

All Hallows' Eve:
October 31

Readings for the Week

Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Offertory Snapshot as of 10/11/2026	
Actual Offertory	$ 6,238.00
Budget Offertory	$ 8,496.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offertory	$ 110,031.00
Year-to-Date Budget Offertory	$ 127,440.00



All Saints
November 1, 2026

5:00 PM	**Oct 31**	**Fr. Kris**
For **Gina Bonacchi Hespen +** Requested by Family	LECTOR	Diane Blankenship
8:30 AM	**Nov 1**	**Fr. Kris**
For **Alexander Lesiak +** Requested by Doug & Paulette Mullen	LECTOR	Candy Rosowski
10:15 AM	**Nov 1**	**Fr. Kris**
For **All Of Our Parishioners**	LECTOR	Angela McLoughlin
12:00 PM	**Nov 1**	**Fr. Henry**
For **Galica Family +** Requested by Ken & Joan Galica	LECTOR	Paul Radzilowski

Please pray for our fellow brothers and sisters who are suffering



Sandi Crenshaw
Arnie Bonser
Jeff Tinsman
Megan Ritcher
David Dernbach
Ally Altschuler
Norma Kirk
Tony Wagner

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1 **Exodus 22:20-26**

Thus says the LORD: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans. "If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

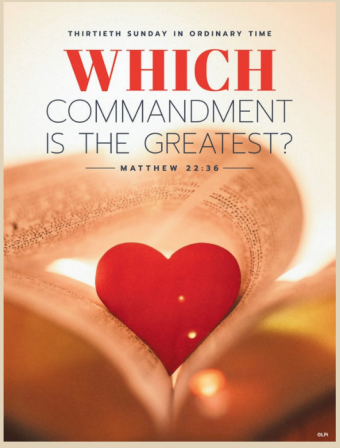
Responsorial Psalm

Reading 2 **1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10**

Brothers and sisters: You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

Gospel
Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."



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

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.

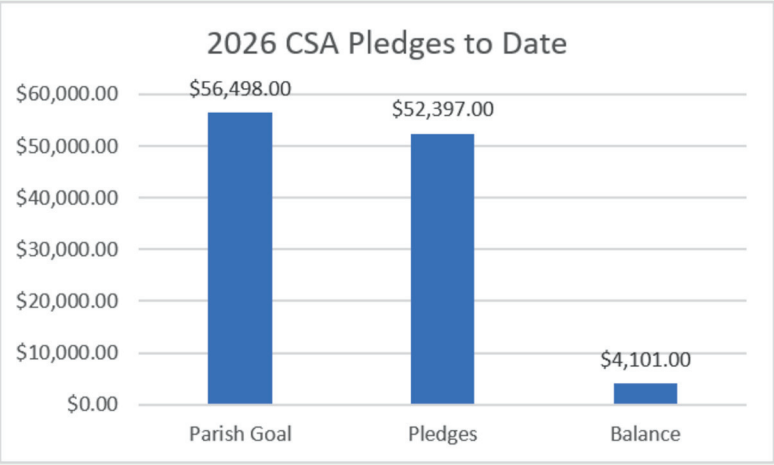
In order for us to make our goal we are asking each family to donate $300.00. We know that some families can afford more and some not so much. We are asking everyone to donate something to allow us to reach our goal. If you cannot donate at this time, please still return your card showing zero. Remember,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

All Saints

Those who wish to give for **All Saints** through online giving can do so now through **November 8th**

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

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

Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am in the social hall

Coffee, cookies, and Bibles provided.
Invite a friend



THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS



We will provide Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for our Neighbor in Need again this year. Thanksgiving and Christmas **food lists** will be available for pick up next weekend,

October 31st and November 1st

Day Light Saving Time Ends
November 1st

It is Fall and time to have your clocks fall back an hour!

Make sure you are on time for Sunday Mass, adjust your clocks before you retire on Saturday!

ST. GERALD'S MEALTRAIN MINISTRY

IS YOUR FAMILY...

- Expecting a New Baby?
- Preparing for a Major Surgery?
- Grieving a Death in the Immediate Family?
- Experiencing a Deployment?
- Moving?
- Battling a Major Illness?



IF YOU ARE...

St. Gerald MealTrain Ministry would love to bless you with extra support through a MealTrain. Please scan the QR code to request dinners for your family.

IF YOU ALREADY HAVE...

a MealTrain organized, we'd love to support you. Please send your MealTrain link to Erica at erica.l.fazio@gmail.com so our parish family can join in.

WOULD YOU...



like to support parish families by providing a MealTrain dinner? Scan the QR code below to fill out the form to join the ***St. Gerald MealTrain Ministry*** email list. We will only contact you with MealTrain opportunities.

SCAN ME!



QUESTIONS?

Erica at
erica.l.fazio@gmail.com

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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CATHOLIC PARENTS,
GO TO MASS.
GO TO MASS LATE,
GO TO MASS TIRED,
GO TO MASS WITH SPIT-UP
ON YOUR DRESS,
GO TO MASS IF YOUR TODDLER
WON'T SIT STILL,
GO TO MASS EVEN IF YOU SPEND
THE WHOLE HOMILY IN THE VESTIBULE.
BECAUSE ONE DAY, THOSE LITTLE EYES
WATCHING YOU WILL REMEMBER KNEELING
BESIDE YOU, WATCHING YOU RECEIVE
THE EUCHARIST WITH REVERENCE,
WATCHING YOU CHOOSE GOD AGAIN
AND AGAIN IN ORDINARY LIFE.
YOU MAY NOT HEAR EVERY READING.
YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO KNEEL
WHILE YOU'RE ROCKING A BABY.
BUT THE GRACES YOUR CHILDREN RECEIVE
FROM SIMPLY BEING BROUGHT INTO
THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST
ARE GREATER THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE.
SO CATHOLIC PARENTS—
BRING THEM ANYWAY.
CWG
A PLACE FOR DEVOUT CATHOLIC WOMEN

Knight's Corner 10/25/2026

The Knights of Columbus continues to stand as a brotherhood rooted in charity, unity, and fraternity. Our mission is simple but powerful: to serve our Church, support our communities, and strengthen our families through acts of faith in action. Whether through volunteerism, financial support, or simply showing up for those in need, we strive to live out our Catholic values in meaningful and visible ways.

On October 4th, St. Gerald's council held a pancake breakfast for our parishioners. The breakfast was held to benefit the St . Geralds St . Vincent de Paul which works very hard to help those people in our community needing usually short term financial and sustenance assistance. The breakfast was quite successful both as a fun event for our parishioners as well as a fund raiser and we served over 100 people with pancakes, eggs, ham, sausage and more. It seemed everyone enjoyed the food and fellowship! Thank you to all of you who joined us and contributed financially to aide the St. Vincent de Paul and thank you to all of the Knights who participated in the food preparation, serving, and clean up!



For those considering joining, there has never been a better time to become a Knight. Membership offers the opportunity to grow in faith, give back in meaningful ways, and build lasting friendships with like-minded men dedicated to service. Whether you have a lot of time to give or just a little, your presence makes a difference. Please see any Knight for information about joining. We usually wear our red shirts on the third Sunday of the month for easy identification!

St. Gerald Parish

Sunday
November 22, 2026

10:15 am Mass



THE ANNUAL GLOBAL

Celebration of YOUTH and YOUNG ADULTS

ON THE SOLEMNITY OF JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Each year, Catholic faith communities across the United States are invited to celebrate and reflect on youth and young adults during this annual Global Celebration. We look forward to our parish joining in this special observance during the weekend of Christ the King Sunday.

A LOOK AHEAD... October

28	Wednesday	Christian Service & Angela Hospice Speaker Presentation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

November Events

2	Monday	Mass of Remembrance 7pm
3	Tuesday	Fall Scripture Study 10:30 am - 11:30 am

November Events

6	Friday	First Friday Mass/Adoration/ Benediction 9:15 am - 5:00 pm
7	Saturday	First Saturday Mass 9:15 am
7-8	Saturday & Sunday	SVdP Truck before/after all masses
10	Tuesday	Fall Scripture Studay 10:30 am - 11:30 am

ST. GERALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Closed Friday.

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TomKruger

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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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