

# St. Gerard

# April 21, 2019 The Resurrection of the Lord

Established December 11, 1904

## Roman Catholic Parish

## LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday at 5:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

## MASS SCHEDULE

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Tues.	(23 <sup>rd</sup> ):	9:30 am	+Pauline Malinowski
Wed.	(24 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:30 am	+Grace Walsh
		10:30 am	NURSING HOME (SOUTH)
			Claude Slogocki

Thurs. (25<sup>th</sup>): 9:30 am +Merv Todos

2:30 pm YORKTON CROSSING

+Eileen Sawa

Fri. (26<sup>th</sup>): 9:30 am +Tony Spykerman Sat. (27<sup>th</sup>): 9:30 am David Ryhorski

5:00 pm +Eileen Griffith

Sun. (28<sup>th</sup>): Second Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Special Intentions11:00 am Mass for the People

The Divine Mercy Devotion is prayed each Friday at 2pm



## **SACRAMENTS**

**Reconciliation**: Half-hour before Saturday morning and Saturday evening Mass, or anytime by appointment.

**Infant Baptism:** Please contact Fr. Louis at least one month prior to Baptism.

**RCIA:** Adults wishing to be received into the Catholic Church should contact Fr. Louis.

**Matrimony:** Please contact Fr. Louis at least 6 months prior to the time you would like to be married.

**Anointing:** Please contact Fr. Louis at any time.

For Anointing of the Sick and other emergencies, you may contact Fr. Louis at 306.621.8068



## **CONTACT US**

Parish Office Hours: Monday lpm-4pm; Tuesday-Friday 8am-noon, lpm-4pm

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Lord, your resurrection pierces the darkness of doubt and fear. May the power of your resurrection help me to deepen my love for you and all people.

> - From Mindful Meditations for Every Day of Lent and Easter, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeny

## A Note from Your Pastor.....

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Easter to all of you!

As we commemorate the Risen Christ, may this Easter Season bring you many blessings, hope, love, and joy.

May you always shine the light of Christ!

Thank you to all who volunteered their time and talents to prepare for the Triduum. I appreciate all that you have done for our parish.

May God bless you all.

Father Louis

## WELCOME VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you would like more information about our parish please take this bulletin home, browse the information in the Welcome Area, or visit our parish website <a href="https://www.stgerard.ca">www.stgerard.ca</a>

**Become a part of our parish family!** If this is your spiritual home, we invite you to register with the parish. Please complete a green form located on the large table in the Welcome Area. You can drop it off at the Parish Office, or place it in the collection basket at Mass.

We are happy to have you join us!



## Stop by the Parish Office

For a great assortment of bibles, books and religious articles including Baptism, Confirmation & First Communion gifts:



My Angel pewter picture frame	\$6.00	Communion bookmark	\$1.00
Pewter frame for baptism 3x3 photo	\$6.00	First Eucharist pocket token	\$2.00
Multi-coloured wood cross 5"	\$9.75	First Eucharist pocket token	\$2.50
Hand-painted enamel & metal cross	\$12.00	Communion remembrance tokens	\$2.50
Cross w/ praying boy & guardian angel 3"	\$13.25	First Communion white rosary w/prayer	\$6.50
Confirmation bookmark	\$1.00	Boxed rosary, 4mm beads, silver cross & chalice	\$10.25
Confirmation prayer card - "Prayer for Light"	\$1.25	Bracelet w white beads silver cross and chalice	\$15.00
Heart-shaped, "Conf." pewter pocket token	\$1.50	Necklace with coloured wooden cross on string	\$1.75
Holy spirit pocket token	\$2.50	Bracelets assorted colours w Guardian Angel	\$3.00
Rosary - decade, 10x3mm white glass beads 6" w/ dove	\$4.00	Silver-finish football pendant necklace	\$10.00
Pewter confirmation book mark	\$5.00	Necklace - "Hope" silver-plated metal pendant	\$17.50
Boxed cream bracelet, silver dove charm	\$5.25	Extreme Faith Youth Bible	\$14.00
Bracelet - Boxed w/ dove-inserted hearts, 7"	\$9.75	Blessings & Prayers	\$14.00
Bevelled mini mirror w/pewter Holy Spirit	\$11.50	Catholic Baby's First Bible	\$15.00
Silver dove pendant in box, 18"	\$14.00	A is for Altar, B is for Bible	\$15.00
True Faith dog tag w. dove cut-out	\$19.00	Catholic Youth Bible	\$25.00
Pewter cross w/chalice & dove, 6"	\$20.00	Youcat	\$34.00



## SACRAMENTS of INITIATION PREPARATION



### **BAPTISM**

The First Sacrament of Initiation

Please contact the Parish Office to register for the next Baptism Preparation Session. 306.782.2449

#### **CONFIRMATION**

The Second Sacrament of Initiation

## FIRST EUCHARIST

The Third Sacrament of Initiation

## \*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*

Commencing Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday anticipated Mass (currently Saturday evening at 5:00 pm) will be celebrated at 7:00 pm.



The next Bible Study Session will be Monday, April 29th at 7:00pm in the Lower Level (please use east entrance).

Everyone welcome!

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### Lord.

The resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal.

Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. Amen

New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book



#### News from the CWL



REMINDER: Membership fees are overdue. If you haven't paid your 2019 C.W.L. membership fee (\$30.00), please do so as soon as possible. You can put your money (cash or cheque) in an envelope, mark it C.W.L. Membership, and put it in the collection basket, leave it at the parish office, or put it in the C.W.L. mail slot in the sacristy.



## News from the Knights of Columbus



Apr. 23 Evening Bingo

Apr. 25 Articles for "The Word" due Apr. 26-28 State Convention (Moose Jaw)

May 1 Executive Meeting May 5 Sunday Brunch

May 8 General Meeting – Election of Officers

May 9 March for Life

If you are interested in joining the Knights, please call Brian @ 306.730.7083 or 306.730.7017 after 5pm (or leave a message). More info.: www.kofc-2031.ca

## **News from the Archdiocese of Regina**

New Evangelization Summit 2019 On May 4th, join thousands of Catholics from around the world at the premier conference on the New Evangelization. The event will be held live in Ottawa and webcast to host sites across Canada, the US, the UK, and Australia. This year's Summit is once again featuring world-class Catholic speakers: Fr. James Mallon, Michael Dopp, Cardinal Gérald Lacroix, Michelle Moran, Fr. Jon Bielawski, and Michele Thompson. The NES has been designed to inspire Catholics and help them live out their personal call to evangelize.

This year, the Summit is FREE for all attendees! Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics. Register now at www.newevangelization.ca

Where/Location: Holy Rosary Cathedral, Regina When: May 4, 2019 - 8:45 am-4:30 pm

Cost: FREE

## 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Divine Mercy Conference

will be held on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at St. Mary's Church, Winnipeg St. & 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. Regina, SK.

Program begins at 12:30 pm, with a welcome presentation, confessions, and talks by Very Rev. James Owolagba and Shirley Oleskiw. Followed by Adoration, Prayers, Benediction, and concluding Mass at 3:05pm celebrated by Archbishop Don Bolen and concelebrated by Very Rev. James Owolagba. Blessing with Relic.



#### Lost...Then Found!

By Mary Katharine Deeley

My daughter was about four when we went to the local department store to do some shopping. I was looking over some item when I turned and realized she wasn't beside me. It was not like her to wander away, and I spent a frantic fifteen minutes before I located her sitting on the floor playing with a doll from a display. I was at once relieved and angry, but more scared than anything else. What if something had happened?

When Mary Magdalene went to the tomb that early Sunday morning, she expected to find Jesus' body and mourn the loss of this man whom they all loved. Not finding him where she expected was an utter shock. I can only imagine there was some fear and anger: "Who took him? Where did he go? How could someone do this?" Her words tumbled out to Peter and the disciple Jesus loved. They, too, were astounded to find his burial cloth and, though they believed, they did not understand what the empty tomb signified.

I can also imagine what they felt when they finally saw Jesus—surely relief and wonder, but there may have been a little anger that he had left them and fear for all that meant. Maybe that's how God feels about us when we wander away. We were lost, and God sent the prophets first and then his only Son to find us and lead us home. Out of love, Jesus gave his life and conquered death itself. In this Easter season, let us take great care neither to wander away nor to lose sight of the Lord. He is the source of our life. We belong to him.

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#### •PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

## PARISH FUNDRAISER

The next fundraising day is

Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

3pm to 6pm

Cabbage rolls \$25 ( 5 dozen bag)
Potato & onion perogies \$35 (10 dozen bag)
Potato & cheddar perogies \$40 (10 dozen bag)

## St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage

 $\begin{array}{c} August~11-14,~2019\\ From~Yorkton,~SK\\ to~the~Shrine~of~Our~Lady~of~Lourdes,~Rama,~SK \end{array}$ 

Come on a pilgrimage to somewhere special to your faith. As a pilgrim, you will have time to pray by leaving behind the everyday concerns from back home and spending time in the presence of God. If you are looking for peace or healing, this is a good time to do it. You may become closer to God.

For more information contact Dave and Bev Hudy at <u>davehudy@hotmail.com</u> or 306.728.5525

## Register at

www.stphilomenawalkingpilgrimage.org



## The next **Book Talk**

is Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Meeting Room B



## FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm Lower Level (please use east entrance)

Featuring...."The Shack"
No charge! Free popcorn and refreshments!
Everyone is welcome to attend!

~ Organized by the Religious Education Team ~

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Tues. (23<sup>rd</sup>): 5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass

7:00 pm- Finance Council Meeting

Wed. (24th): 7:00 pm- Pastoral Council Meeting

(Meeting Room B)

Thurs. (25<sup>th</sup>): 7:00 pm- Centering Prayer

(Lower Level)

Sat. (27<sup>th</sup>): 4:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 5pm Mass

7:00 pm- Teen Confirmation Prep.

(Meeting Room A)

Sun. (28th): 6:30 pm- Tri-sacrament Prep.

(Social Hall)

## YOUTH REFLECTION

## "The Folded Linen Cloths"

## This Week...

To believe that Jesus rose from the dead is to believe in something that never happened before. Minds have to adjust to seeing things differently. Old ways of thinking have to be thrown out and new ways of thinking brought in. The Resurrection happened, Jesus is the Messiah, and the only remaining trace of death is the folded linen cloths left in the tomb.

## For Your Reflection

Jesus' tomb was empty. It had even been cleaned up. The napkin and linen cloths were folded and rolled up neatly. Everything was left in order and taken care of. Jesus was clearly finished with this grave. No more of this "death business" for him. He left it totally behind, and was fully alive, never to now the sufferings of death again.

- Have you ever made a transition in life? Did you ever take a step and know that a part of your former life was totally behind you? What happened? How did you feel? Did you find yourself trying to take care of things or leave things in order in any way?

Obviously Mary, Peter, and the other disciples were close friends with one another and with Jesus. It is easy to picture the three of them running to the tomb together to be sure of what actually happened.

- Who are the Marys and Peters in your life? Have you ever hurried to get to some important place? Have you ever struggled with someone else to figure out what was really happening in an important situation that affected you or a friend of yours? What happened and how did that affect your relationship?

Excerpt from In Touch With the Word, Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter, 2004



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)** is an incredible journey of discovery, the discovery of God's love in Jesus. If you or someone you know is interested in exploring the friendship and saving grace of Jesus Christ, we invite you to join us in the RCIA journey. It is a warm, welcoming experience that introduces the Christian faith in our Roman Catholic tradition. We explore topics such as Holy Scripture, the Sacraments, Church history and the core beliefs of the Church. Anyone who has taken this "leap of faith" has found it to be a life-altering experience.

The RCIA process is intended for those who are non-baptized. There are several rites and stages that are part of the process to prepare adults for Baptism and to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

**Rite of Reception of Baptized Christians into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church.** If you have been baptized in another Christian tradition, the Catholic Church respects that baptism. Baptism is the sacrament of our rebirth in Christ and our immersion into His saving death and Resurrection. It can never be repeated. Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church happens after a period of preparation through catechesis, prayer and worship, and an introduction to Catholic life, values, and mission.



Adults who have been baptized in the Catholic Church but have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation can prepare for reception of this sacrament through a period of catechesis and prayer.

If you are interested in this journey of faith, please contact Fr. Louis at 306.782.2449 or 306.782.0323.

And to all our friends in St. Gerard's parish, we remind you that we all have a responsibility to share our faith and bring others to Christ. If you know of a family member, friend, co-worker or fellow student who is searching for a deeper meaning in their life, let them know about RCIA.

## LOST SOMETHING?



**Mitts, toques, etc.** – check the literature display drawer marked "Lost and Found" in the Welcome Area.

**Books**, **religious articles**, **jewellery**, **etc.** – contact the Parish Office.

### **OFFERING A MASS**

The offering of a Mass in the name of a deceased family member or friend is one of the greatest ways to keep our beloved dead in our living memory. At each celebration of the Mass, the great prayer of sacrifice is made complete as Jesus' life, death and resurrection is offered to God the Father. When we offer a Mass for a particular person, we ask that in a special way the individual be remembered by the priest who offers up the great sacrifice on behalf of the whole community of faith. In a very real and active way, the life, death and resurrection of the person remembered becomes present and is offered up with Jesus. Each time we offer up a Mass for someone, living or dead, we celebrate the greatest gift of our faith – the gift of Everlasting Life in Christ.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is available daily at the EADM Centre Chapel at 484 Hamilton St. Regina. Hours: 10:00 am to 8:00 pm on Monday through Thursday. Friday, Saturday & Sunday: 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Please help us keep Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament available in Regina on a daily basis.

## The Healing and Growth Centre St. Therese Institute of Faith and Mission

**St. Therese Institute of Faith and Mission** – Searching for God's purpose in your life? Want to live life more fully, and take your faith to the next level? Then, come to St. Therese! At St. Therese Institute of Faith and Mission, adults of all ages can explore their faith, discern their vocation in life, foster their prayer life and deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. Visit on line at <a href="https://www.sttherese.ca">www.sttherese.ca</a>

## Rachel's Vineyard: a psychological and spiritual journey for healing after abortion.

Are you hurting because of an abortion? **Rachel's Vineyard** is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. For more information, please contact Elaine at 1.306.480.8911 or email r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net

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