

St. Gerard's

August 2024

Summer Bulletin

Roman Catholic Parish

Established December 11, 1904

CONTACT US

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am-noon/lpm-4pm (closed Friday) Monday - Thursday 9am-noon (July & August): (closed Friday)

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St. Gerard Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.



SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Half-hour before daily Mass Tuesday to

Friday, and by appointment Please contact the Parish Office **Anointing:**

Infant Baptism:

Matrimony:

RCIA:

After-hours Emergency 306.782.0323

Please contact the Parish Office

Please contact the Parish Office Please contact the Parish Office 12 months

prior to the marriage date

ST. GERARD PARISH HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

(in the event of a Funeral, the 9:00 am daily Mass will be cancelled)

Weekend Holy Mass Duration is 75 minutes

| Mon. August 5 th | | NO MASS |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Tues. 6th | 6:00 pm | Adoration of the |
| | | Blessed Sacrament |
| | 7:00 pm | Mass |
| | | +Gordon Girodat |
| Wed. 7 th | 9:00 am | Mass |
| | | +Santiago Espares |
| Thurs. 8th | 9:00 am | Mass |
| | | +Norma Apilan |
| Fri. 9 th | 9:00 am | Mass |
| | | +Alan & +Aileen |
| | | Hayward |

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Sat. 10 th | 5:00 pm | Mass for the People |
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| Sun. 11 th | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |

| Mon. 12 th | NO MASS | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Tues. 13th | 6:00 pm | Adoration of the | |
| | | Blessed Sacrament | |
| | 7:00 pm | Mass | |
| | | Norm Girodat | |
| Wed. 14 th | 9:00 am | Mass | |
| | | Sylvia Marquette | |
| Thurs. 15 th | The Assumption of the | | |
| | Blessed Virgin Mary | | |
| | 2:30 pm | Mass-Yktn Crossing | |
| | _ | Mary Bybliw | |
| | 7:00 pm | Mass for the People | |
| Fri. 16 th | 9:00 am | Mass | |
| | | +Mary Puchala | |

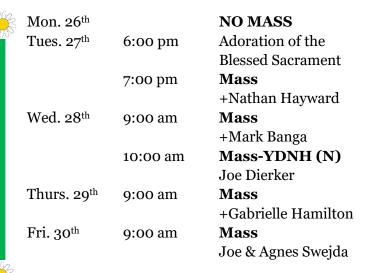
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Sat. 17 th | 5:00 pm | Mass for the People |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|
| Sun. 18th | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |

Mon. 19th to Fri. 23rd **NO MASS**

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Sat. 24 th | 5:00 pm | Mass for the People |
|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Sun. 25 th | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Sat. 31st | 5:00 pm | Mass for the People |
|----------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Sun. Sept. 1st | 10:00 am | Mass for the People |



New to the parish?? WELCOME!!!

Please complete a New Parishioner Form and place it in the collection basket at Mass. Or stop by the Parish Office. We'd love to meet you!

THANK YOU!!!

Joanne, Colleen, Marie and Rose who served as Volunteer Office Clerks during the month of July!





PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS (until September 3rd)

Monday to Thursday 9:00 am to 12 noon



We are pleased to announce that we will be offering Children's Liturgy over the summer!

Children's Liturgy will take place on the following Sundays: August 11 and August 25

We welcome into our Catholic Christian Community

Zhyana Balan Winnie Delong Raphael Liao Mya Tardiff Kalix Jace Dela Cruz

who were baptized recently at St. Gerard.

May these children and their families experience joy and new life.



Are you a Christian (baptized in another tradition besides Catholic) interested in becoming a Catholic Christian?

Are you baptized Catholic in need of celebrating Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion?

Are you not baptized yet have interest in the possibility of becoming a baptized Catholic Christian?

If you are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the richness of what the Catholic Church teaches in an open and welcoming environment with our parish family.

If you are a Catholic, still thinking of deepening your Faith?

If you have questions about the Church, God, and your faith, if you are struggling with doubts about God, if you are just curious about where God may be leading you, we would love to have you join us.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information or to register.



News from the Knights of Columbus



August 11 St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage –

make and deliver supper and next day

breakfast - 5.00

Bingo – afternoon – 12.00

August 25 Bingo – evening – 5.00

If you are interested in joining the Knights, please call Tom @ 306.728.8664 More info: www.kofc-2031.ca



EXCITING BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM COMING IN OCTOBER....

Mark your calendar with the following dates (all Wednesday evenings):

October 9, 16, 23, 30; November 6, 13, 20, 27 Watch the bulletin in early September for registration information!

| FINANCIAL REPORT TO JUNE 30, 2024 | | |
|--|--------------|--|
| Offertory Collection in June | \$28,500.02 | |
| Prorated year-to-date offertory | \$141,500.06 | |
| budget Actual year-to-date offertory | \$149,119.40 | |
| revenue Offertory Collection Surplus @ 06/30 | \$7,619.34 | |

| FINANCIAL REPORT TO JULY 31, 2024 | | |
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| Offertory Collection in July | \$18,645.87 | |
| Prorated year-to-date offertory | \$163,269.30 | |
| budget Actual year-to-date offertory | \$167,765.27 | |
| revenue | \$107,703.27 | |
| Offertory Collection Surplus @ | \$4,495.97 | |
| 07/31 <i>Thank you!</i> | | |

YOUTH CONNECTION FOR AUGUST



The readings for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B remind us of God's care and call us to seek spiritual nourishment. The readings highlight how God provided for the Israelites with manna and quail, Jesus as the bread of life, and the need to renew our minds and hearts. They encourage us to trust in God, live righteously, and focus on eternal life rather than worldly concerns. These themes guide us to deepen our relationship with Christ

and find true fulfillment in Him.

On the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, the focus is on God's support, living a good life, and faith in Jesus as the bread of life. The readings remind us that God cares for us, even in our struggles, and calls us to kindness and forgiveness. Jesus offers Himself as the bread of life, inviting us to believe in Him for eternal life. These teachings guide us to trust in God's care, live with love, and seek spiritual nourishment in Christ.





The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated on August 15th, honours Mary's being taken up to heaven, body and soul, at the end of her life. This event is a sign of hope and a reminder of the promise of eternal life. Catholics celebrate it as a holy day, reflecting on Mary's role in Jesus' life and her example of faith. Pope Pius XII declared it a dogma in 1950, making it an essential belief in the Catholic faith. This feast encourages Catholics to

live faithfully, trusting in God's promises.

On the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, the readings highlight the importance of choosing wisely. Proverbs speaks of a banquet prepared by wisdom, while Psalm 34 invites us to "taste and see the goodness of the Lord." Ephesians encourages us to live wisely and seek the Spirit's guidance. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals Himself as the Bread of Life, challenging us to see beyond the material world. These teachings call us to embrace God's wisdom and live a life centered on Christ.





On the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, the readings focus on making a choice. Joshua asks the Israelites to decide whom they will serve. In the Gospel, Jesus' followers struggle with His teachings, and some leave. Peter and the apostles, however, choose to stay, affirming their faith in Jesus as the Holy One of God. This Sunday reminds us to commit to following Jesus, even when it's difficult. www.young-catholics.com

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| Comparative Income Statement to June 30, 2024 | | | | |
| | 2024 | 2023 | Change | |
| REVENUE | | | | |
| Collections | \$152,450 | \$138,327 | \$14,122 | |
| Other Revenue | 10,658 | 12,952 | -2,294 | |
| Perogies & cabbage rolls (net) | 7,040 | 8,552 | -1,512 | |
| Catering | 6,601 | 8,102 | -1,500 | |
| Building Fund Donations | 2,239 | 6,923 | -4,684 | |
| Trust Fund Donations | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| TOTAL REVENUE | \$178,988 | \$174,855 | \$4,133 | |
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| OPERATING EXPENSES | | | | |
| Pastoral | \$3,043 | \$510 | \$2,532 | |
| Diocesan Assessments | 27,794 | 28,914 | -1,120 | |
| Parish Office | 7,852 | 6,460 | 1,392 | |
| Other Administrative Exp. | 32,445 | 29,306 | 3,139 | |
| Payroll Expenses | 37,134 | 42,231 | -5,097 | |
| Catering | 2,975 | 3,308 | -333 | |
| Building - Utilities | 17,355 | 18,645 | -1,290 | |
| Building - Repairs & Maint. | 35,287 | 32,510 | 2,776 | |
| Cemetery Expense | 0 | 151 | -151 | |
| Rectory | 23,566 | 6,537 | 17,028 | |
| Committee Expenses | 10,807 | 6,980 | 3,828 | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$198,256 | \$175,552 | \$22,704 | |
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| NET INCOME (LOSS) | -\$19,268 | -\$696 | -\$18,571 | |
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Christmas in November Update

The Christmas in November committee wishes everyone in our parish a safe and joyous summer season.

As our committee prepares to meet in September for planning our 3rd annual event, we ask our parish members to think of us as they make their jams, jellies and spreads during this bountiful harvest summer. We ask that you consider putting a jar or 2 aside as a contribution to our fall Bake Sale and Raffle.

If you do contribute, please remember to include a listing of ingredients used in your product so that any purchaser who has an allergy or sensitivity toward a certain product is made fully aware of all the ingredients.

You can drop off your items to the Parish Office Mondays thru Thursdays between 9:00 AM and Noon. Thank you all who have contributed in the past and we look forward to a bigger and more successful Raffle and Bake Sale this November. For those who would like to participate on our planning committee please watch for our notice in late August.

Have a great and safe summer.

Mark Bell, Planning Committee Chairperson

Mark Your Calendars

Hospitality Renewal Meeting

September 12th at 7pm to 8:30pm For all Hospitality Ministers, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, K of C and CWL Executive

Name Tag Sunday

First Saturday and Sunday of each month beginning Saturday, October 5th (details to follow)

Knights of Columbus/Catholic Women's League Ministry Sundays

Second weekend of the month, beginning Saturday, October 12th at 5pm Mass (K of C) and Sunday, November 10th at 9am (CWL)

Liturgical Ministries Workshop

Thursday, October 24th at 7pm to 9pm <u>or</u> Saturday, October 26th at 10am to noon. Childcare will be provided.

Annual Memorial Mass

For families of parishioners who passed away in the last year Thursday, November 4th at 7pm

Advent Penitential Service

Thursday, December 12th at 7pm