

St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

June 16, 2019 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Established December 11, 1904

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES: Saturday at 7:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat.	(22 nd):	9:00 am	+Peggy Becker
Fri.	(21 st):	9:00 am	+Bruce Wonchulanko
Thurs.	· · ·	9:00 am	+Horace & +Mildred Jackson
			+Ann Farkus
		10:30 am	NURSING HOME (SOUTH)
Wed.	(19 th):	9:00 am	Elizabeth Beres
Tues.	(18 th):	7:00 pm	+Merv Todos
Mon.	(17 th):		NO MASS

7:00 pm Special Intentions

Sun.(23rd):The Solemnity of the Most Holy
Body and Blood of Christ

9:00 am	Mass for the People
11:00 am	+Walter & +Stella Konjolka

Come and Spend an Hour with the Lord!

Eucharistic Holy Hour Devotion at 6pm (prior to 7pm Tuesday Mass)

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, you willingly gave up your life for the salvation of the world. Give me the courage to love freely and unconditionally.

- From Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter through Pentecost, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeny Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,

Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,

Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

> Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever.

> > Amen.

Fathers in Our Lives

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail.

We ask for Your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways--both big and small--they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent; grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors and coaches and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You.

In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News June 17 - June 21, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.	•Spring Sports Banquet			•Gr. 6 Sand Dune Hike		
Tues.	•Band & Choir Final Concert •Channel 22 Auditions					
Wed.	•Formal Day Yearend Awards	•K-3 Play Day	•Gr. 6 Canoe instruction	SCC Cold Snack		
Thurs.		•Backwards Day •Gr. 6 at Good Spirit Lake		•Gr. 2/3E Bowling trip	•SCC BBQ	
Fri.	•Final Exams begin	•SCC Treat		•Spirit Day – Heroes vs Villains •Gr. 4 to Motherwell Homestead •Gr. 1/2F trip to Spray Park	•Author's Tea •Service Awards	

Four-school Dance at St. Michael School (Thursday, June 20th) for Grade 7/8s

The last day of classes is Wednesday, June 26th.

"Praise you, Lord, for the blessing of learning."

~Catholic Prayers for Every Day and All Day~

SACRAMENTS of INITIATION

BAPTISM

The First Sacrament of Initiation

The next Baptism Preparation Session is Sunday, June 23rd at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

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



News from the CWL



 Items for the Fall Garage Sale may be left outside of the CWL Room, lower level, during regular office hours. Please hold large items until Sept. 2nd





June 23	Yearend windup event
June 26	Evening Bingo
June 30	Fifth Sunday rosary before 9am Mass

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

An invitation to all brother Knights and widows of Knights to attend the annual year-end celebration on June 23 at 4:30. Please phone/text Wayne 306-783-7380 or email wex13@sasktel.net



100th Anniversary Celebration

The Knights of Columbus Council 2031 invites all parishioners to celebrate our 100th Anniversary with us July 13, 2019.

Banquet tickets are now on sale for \$30.00. Join us as we display a history of the Council in our chambers, as well as other activities.

For tickets: Jeff 306.783.5384 or John 306.620.9013

News from the Archdiocese of Regina

Archdiocese of Regina Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for the Archdiocese of Regina will be held Saturday, June 22nd at OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH at 3:00 pm. (425 Broad Street North, Regina). Copies of the 2018 Archdiocese Annual Report will be available at the meeting and online.

Let's get together and Build Community!

The St. Gerard Pictorial directory is available for sale at the Parish Office during regular office hours (while supplies last). Cost: \$15.00 (cash or cheque payable to "St. Gerard Church"). Limited supply.

PROTOCOL AUDIT

The Archdiocese of Regina will be conducting a Protocol Audit in June. For those ministers who have been asked to complete forms, please do so as soon as possible. Completed forms may be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours. For more information contact Rick Dubois 306.783.8840



ARE YOU IN <u>GRADE 3 TO 12</u>? DO YOU LOVE TO SING? ARE YOU EAGER TO SERVE THE LORD AT MASS?

Parents, if your children/teens are interested in joining the St. Gerard Youth Choir please contact Jenny Baraoidan at 306.620.2848

The St. Gerard Youth Choir rehearses twice weekly and ministers the <u>third Sunday of EVERY</u> <u>MONTH</u> at the 11am Mass.



FOOD BANK DONATIONS continue to be a priority over the summer months. Please consider helping those less fortunate. Non-perishable food items may be left in the wooden chest in the Welcome Area. - Submitted by the St. Gerard Social Justice Committee



The Ultimate Guide By Mary Katharine Deeley

There was a period in my life when I thought I knew everything and that my way was the only way to go. The opinions of my parents and friends were politely (and sometimes not-so-politely) set aside. I blithely followed my own advice and did my own until time, maturity, and a thina few uncomfortable situations helped me to acquire a little humility. Even these days I suffer a relapse from time to time. I'm sure we have all thought: "Be reasonable: Do it my way."

We may tend to think quite often that we know what's best for us and for others. We rely on our experience and intelligence. Sometimes we're right. Often we're wrong. When our selfconfidence and power become more important than the truth and common good, we easily stray into arrogance and stubbornness.

Jesus reminds us that the Holy Spirit, whom he calls the Spirit of Truth, is the ultimate guide. In choosing to follow the Spirit and accepting Christ's authority, we admit that we do not know it all and that we are not the greatest.

Our Creed is built on this acceptance. From our first profession of faith, we stand in humble awareness that God alone knows it all and desires what's best for us and the whole world. This "best" includes God, who is an everlasting relationship-inbeing: three persons who were at the beginning, are now, and ever shall be. Our celebration of the Trinity should include giving thanks for the wisdom that comes from union with God and his Church.

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•PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

PARISH FUNDRAISER

The next fundraising day is **Thursday, July 4**th **3pm to 6pm**

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

Do you know.....

St. Gerard Church has a website! Check out <u>www.stgerard.ca</u> On <u>each page</u> is a listing of the Mass times for the next seven days (updates daily), as well as a link to the Events Calendar ("More Events"). Check it out today!



to notify the Parish Office. We like to keep our records current, and to be able to mail the charitable donation receipt to the correct address at the end of the year. Thanks!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Mon.	(17 th):	9:00 am- Perogy Bee (dough)
		4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 pm- Bible Study
		(Lower Level)
Tues.	(18 th):	9:00 am- Perogy Bee (pinching)
		(Meeting Room A)
		5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass
Wed.	(19 th):	9:00 am- Perogy Bee (packaging)
Fri.	(21 st):	6:00 pm- Buddies Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 pm- RCIA
		(Meeting Room B)
Sat.	(22 nd):	6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass
Sun.	(23 rd):	6:30 pm- Baptism Preparation Session
	. ,	(Main Hall)
Wed. Fri. Sat.	(19 th): (21 st): (22 nd):	9:00 am- Perogy Bee (pinching) <i>(Meeting Room A)</i> 5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (packaging) 6:00 pm- Buddies Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm- RCIA <i>(Meeting Room B)</i> 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mas 6:30 pm- Baptism Preparation Session

YOUTH REFLECTION

"The Trinity"

This Week...

There is a special relationship between God our Creator, Jesus our Redeemer, and their Holy and Divine Spirit. One of the greatest mysteries of our faith is the Trinity - the one God that is, at the same time, three distinct persons - all affecting our life, and all entities with whom we can relate.

We are part of and share in the delight of God the Creator's creation and the grace that Jesus won for us. We can also share in the truth that the Spirit brings to us.

For Your Reflection

Saint Patrick is famous for making the shamrock a handy tool to illustrate the Blessed Trinity: one plant, three leaves that are all connected and united – symbolizing the one God, three persons that are all connected and united.

- Sometimes close relationships are also compared to the Trinity: the person you love, the person who loves you, and God. If God is a part of your relationship, it's hard to think of the two of you without the power, joy, and courage that God brings. Do you have any relationships like that? What are they like?

- A family, a team, or a close group of friends can also form a community of love that is similar to the Trinity – several persons that are connected and united in a very special way. Do you belong to any such group? If so, what makes it special?

- The Holy Spirit brings the truth of God. Sometimes in our life we are running away from a truth, or trying to ignore or avoid it. What basic truth in your life do you think God wants you to be more aware of?

- Sometimes in our life, when we have done something wrong or when we are about to do something wrong, the Spirit of God speaks to us through our conscience. Have you ever thought about doing something, until that voice inside you called you to do something else? What happened?

- The main message of every Gospel is to know the way of the Spirit and to follow the way of the Spirit. How easy is it to live your life that way? How is living your life that way similar to preaching the Gospel?



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 <u>www.sttherese.ca</u>

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 <u>1.306.480.8911</u> or email <u>r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net</u>

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY offers <u>distance education</u> courses for adults seeking faith formation for personal and professional development: *Diploma in Ministry; Certificate in Lay Ministry; Come Let Us Worship: A course in liturgical foundations; Certificate in Spirituality; and Diploma in Intellectual Disability Studies.*

For an information package please contact Continuing & Distance Education, St. Francis Xavier University, toll free 1-877-867-5562, <u>diplomainministry@stfx.ca</u>