



St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

June 30, 2019
Thirteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Established December 11, 1904

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday at 7:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. (1 st):		NO MASS
Tues. (2 nd):	7:00 pm	+Willy Lyon
Wed. (3 rd):	9:00 am	+John Spelay
	2:30 pm	GLADSTONE SR RES
		Father Louis Kim Nguyen
Thurs. (4 th):	9:00 am	+Melvin Maduke
Fri. (5 th):	9:00 am	Don Kulcsar
Sat. (6 th):	9:00 am	Eugene & Kay Kuemper
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	5:00 pm	GOOD SPIRIT LAKE
		Special Intentions
	7:00 pm	+Bill O'Boyle
Sun. (7 th):	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	9:00 am	Mass for the People
	11:00 am	Special Intentions

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



Come and Spend an Hour with the Lord!

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

CONTACT US

Parish Office Hours: Monday 1pm-4pm; Tuesday-Friday 8am-noon, 1pm-4pm

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Caretaker.....	Mario Guerra		



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www.stgerard.ca



Lord, your cross and resurrection set us free. Please liberate me from the prison of selfishness. Empower me to lovingly serve my brothers and sisters.

- From *Hopeful Meditations for Every Day of Easter through Pentecost*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

St. Gerard Parish
Income Statement January 1 to May 31, 2019

REVENUE		Hall:	
Collections	111,759	Wages, Salaries, etc.	9,534
Other (Donations, rel. articles)	4,573	Catering	7,679
Perogies & cabbage rolls (net)	5,495	Administrative Expenses	756
Catering	18,703	Total Hall	17,969
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	140,529	Rectory	4,303
Building Fund Donations	4,458		
Refugee Family Donations	100	Family & Social	267
TOTAL REVENUE	\$145,087	Ecumenical	28
		Liturgy	2,710
EXPENSES		Stewardship (no expense)	0
Pastoral	739	Religious Education	1,158
Parish Office	10,939	Social Justice (no expense)	0
Diocesan Assessments	15,090	Youth	1,112
Pastor/Office Wages, Salaries, etc.	53,772	Community Life	94
Building:		Public Relations (no expense)	0
Sask Energy	3,907	Pastoral & Finance Council	902
Sask Power	7,184	Refugee Family Committee (net)	12,964
Water	1,354	Cemetery Expense (no expense)	0
Property Taxes	5,461	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$161,831
Insurance	9,108		
Parking Lot	4,071	NET INCOME (LOSS)	<u>(\$16,744)</u>
Garbage/recycling	1,210		
Repairs & maintenance	7,491		
Total Building	39,787	<i>Approved by Parish Finance Council</i>	

ST. GERARD PARISH ~ 2019-2020 ~ PASTORAL AND FINANCE COUNCILS

Chairperson - Ernie Bobowski	Vice-chairperson- Wayne Exner
Secretary - Jenny Baraoidan	Liturgy - Carol Deters/Yvonne Turgeon
Religious Education- Laurie Couture	Social Justice - Mark Bell
Community Life - Maureen Pankoski	Public Relations - VACANT
Family & Social - VACANT	Youth - Melinda Sevilla
Ecumenical - Carm Molnar	Stewardship - VACANT
CWL Rep. - Linda Maddaford	K of C Rep. - Jeff Krasowski
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Finance - Brian Kruger	Secretary - Richard Dubois
Properties - VACANT	Member at Large- Conrad Rodney
Hall - Lorne Wanner	Member at Large- Dwight Guy



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



SACRAMENTS of INITIATION PREPARATION



BAPTISM

The First Sacrament of Initiation

CONFIRMATION

The Second Sacrament of Initiation

FIRST EUCHARIST

The Third Sacrament of Initiation

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

ATTENTION PARENTS!!!

Do you have a child/children who are entering Grade 2 in September?

OR

Do you have children or youth who are older than Grade 2 but they have not received **First Reconciliation, Confirmation, or First Eucharist?**

Mark your calendars!

There will be a Parent Information Meeting and Registration Night on **Sunday, September 15th at 6:30 pm.**

You may pre-register your child by stopping by the Parish Office this summer during regular office hours.

NOTICE OF MASS TIME CHANGE

Please note that the **July 13, 2019** Saturday evening Mass will be celebrated at **5:00 pm** instead of 7:00 pm to accommodate the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Knights of Columbus Council No. 2031



News from the CWL



- Donations of household items and clothing for CWL Garage Sale may be left outside of the CWL rooms (lower level, East door) during regular office hours. Please hold larger items until Sept 2nd
- The June CWL Newsletter is out. Copies are available at the table in the Welcome Area. If you would like the electronic version, please send Stephanie an email at srflaman@gmail.com
- Have a safe and fun filled summer. Our next general meeting is Weds, Aug 28th



News from the Knights of Columbus



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

Archdiocese of Regina Annual Report

Our Annual Report for 2018 is now available at: <https://archregina.sk.ca/news/2019/06/20/archdiocese-regina-annual-report>

ARCHDIOCESE OF REGINA LEADERSHIP CAMP

The Archdiocese of Regina Leadership Camp for teens focuses on faith, fun, and community building and leadership skills. This year's camp runs from August 13-17 for those ENTERING grades 9-12 and August 18-20 for those ENTERING grades 7-9. Our theme this year is "LOL" and we will most definitely be purposeful about "LAUGHING" Out Loud, but will also look at how we are called to "LOVE" Out Loud and "LIVE" Out Loud.

To register or for more information: <https://archregina.sk.ca/youth-ministry/youth-summer-camps> or call Michelle OR Braden at 306-352-1651.

Archdiocese of Regina Weekly Report

Sign up now at www.archregina.sk.ca/news The week's top local stories, parish and diocesan events, and national and international news of Catholic interest delivered to your in-box every Friday.



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

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Bringing Home the Word

God's Kingdom is Ahead

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Sometimes, someone's actions have hurt me so badly that I hardly knew how to react. At those times, I have dealt with sadness, anger, and the desire for revenge. It takes me a long time to let go of hurt. My mind goes on offense. I think about what I wanted to say. I want the person to acknowledge the hurt, apologize, admit I was right, and say she was wrong. There are times I feel I'm caught in a trap of my own making. I want to be free of the hurt, but I don't want to let it go until the other person totally satisfies my needs.

In the Gospel, the apostles wanted to call down fire on the Samaritan village that did not welcome Jesus. They wanted the people of the village to see how wrong they were and how right Jesus was. I imagine they talked about it until Jesus, tired of hearing their complaints, rebuked them.

Why did he do that? At least part of the answer comes in the passage that follows Jesus' rebuke. Would-be followers of Jesus want to attend to something in their past life before they join him. Jesus reminds them of the futility of that by using an example that is immediately apparent to farmers.

To plow a straight line, we have to look ahead and follow the one who leads us. If we turn our heads to look back, our line and our lives will go crooked. Clinging to past hurts makes it hard to look ahead. If we are to be disciples, we must learn to let go and forgive in the same way that we are forgiven.

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•PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

PARISH FUNDRAISER

The next fundraising day is
Thursday, July 4th
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 www.stgerard.ca On each page 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!

St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage

August 11 – 14, 2019

From Yorkton, SK

to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Rama, SK

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 davehudy@hotmail.com or 306.728.5525

Register: www.stphilomenawalkingpilgrimage.org

CENTERING PRAYER



The next session will be Thursday, September 26th. A workshop is planned for Saturday, October 19th.

Let's get together and Build Community!

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

Are you moving this summer?? *Please remember 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. (1st):  CANADA DAY 
(Parish Office closed until 1pm Tuesday, July 2nd)
- Tues. (2nd): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir rehearsal
5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass
- Sat. (6th): 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass

YOUTH REFLECTION

"Nowhere to Lay My Head"

This Week...

Elisha slaughters his animals and destroys his farming equipment before following Elijah. His whole previous life is over. Paul teaches us that we are freed by Jesus to follow the Spirit, in love and service to each other, being careful not to bite and tear each other up in the process. Jesus stresses the cost of discipleship - giving up your whole life to follow, and not always having a place to lay your head.

For Your Reflection

Jesus is telling us how hard it is to be a follower. Sometimes we have to make sacrifices and give up part of our life. Sometimes we will have no place to rest our head because our schedule is so intense or because we are not among friends.

- What do you think it means to be a follower of Jesus? What hardships might it entail?
- Is anything worth these hardships? Who could dedicate their life to anything so demanding?
- Do you think Jesus was exaggerating to make a point?
- Religious life, marriage, parenting, and certain careers make incredible demands on one's life. What do you think are the most demanding life choices? How so?
- What would you be willing to make life-sacrifices for? What sacrifices would you make?

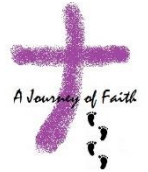
Excerpt from *In Touch With the Word, Cycle C for Ordinary Time*, St. Mary's Press, 2006



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 www.sttherese.ca

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

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY offers distance education 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, diplomainministry@stfx.ca