



St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

September 1, 2019
Twenty-second
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. (2 nd):		NO MASS
Tues. (3 rd):	7:00 pm	+Ron Tessier
Wed. (4 th):	9:00 am	+Marie Rushka
	2:30 pm	GLADSTONE SR RES Special Intentions
Thurs. (5 th):	9:00 am	Brenda Dierker
Fri. (6 th):	9:00 am	Eugene Kuemper
Sat. (7 th):	9:00 am	Special Intentions
	1:00 pm	<i>Leppington-Lechman Wedding</i>
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	7:00 pm	+Madeleine Colbow
Sun. (8 th):	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	9:00 am	Mass for the People
	11:00 am	+Beth Werner

While away, Father Louis celebrated Mass for the following: +Pauline Dziaduck, +Ed Gulash, +Ruthanne Harty, +Willy Lyon, +Pauline Malinowski, +Raymond Neumeier, +Stan Skaluba, +Leonard Soyka, +Ron Tessier and +Merv Todos.



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 1pm-4pm; Tuesday-Friday 8am-noon, 1pm-4pm

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Lord, you came to be the humble Servant of God to all people. Give me a humble heart so I may be a selfless, compassionate servant to the poor and vulnerable.

- From *Faithful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*,
Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney



What is CFC-FFL? Couples for Christ – Foundation for Family and Life is an evangelistic and missionary community committed to helping families become empowered by the Holy Spirit, and strive for holiness of life, committing to renew the temporal order through work with the poor, for justice, and for life. This community was formed in 1981 and has been given Vatican recognition. And in 2015, Archbishop Daniel J. Bohan granted permission for the Live Christ Share Christ Movement of CFC-FFL to exist in the parishes in the Archdiocese of Regina. At St. Gerard we have a very active CFC-FFL community. For more information, please contact Ferdie Molo at 306.620.2239.

Couples for Christ - Foundation for Family and Life Chapter (CFC-FFL) in Yorkton Saskatchewan is holding a

Christian Life Seminar

Saturday, September 28, 2019
8:30am - 4:30pm

St. Gerard Parish Church (Lower Level)

All married couples are invited to attend.

If you are interested, please contact Ferdie Molo at 306.620.2239.



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Although the RCIA process is intended for those who are non-baptized, at St. Gerard we also prepare adults for the Rite of Reception of Baptized Christians (including Catholics) 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 THE PARISH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

The next session of RCIA classes will commence in the very near future!



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News September 2 - September 6, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.	No School – Labour Day					
Tues.				•Assembly		
Wed.						
Thurs.	•Football vs Foam Lake •Open House		•Welcome Back School Assembly			
Fri.						

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

~Catholic Prayers for Every Day and All Day~



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

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

HEY TEENS/YOUNG ADULTS!

Here's an opportunity for you to minister with other teens/young adults! The group currently consists of a pianist, wind & brass musicians, and a guitarist, all who love to praise the Lord in song!

Singers & other musicians most welcome!

For more information or to request music please contact the Parish Office office@stgerard.ca or AnnaLissa @ 306.818.0048

YOUTH CHOIR



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

Parents, if your children are interested in joining the St. Gerard Youth Choir please contact Jenny Baraoidan at 306.620.2848. Or register after the 11am Mass on Sunday, September 15!

The next **Liturgical Committee Meeting** will be Tuesday, September 10th @ 7:30pm in the CWL Room.



News from the CWL



We are asking for clean garden produce, cinnamon buns, muffins and squares to help feed our workers during set up and sale days. Please drop off produce and baking in the morning on our set up days, Sept 2 & 3rd or on the first sale day Thurs morning, Sept 5th. Pies may be dropped off Weds, Sept 4th from 4:30 to 7:00 pm or Thurs. morning.

It's Here!

St. Gerard's CWL
Annual Gigantic Garage Sale



St. Gerard's Parish Complex,
125 Third Avenue North, Yorkton

Thursday, September 5, 9am-8pm
Friday, September 6, 9am-noon

Pie & Coffee \$3.00



News from the Knights of Columbus



Sept. 2	Evening Bingo
Sept. 4	Executive Meeting
Sept. 8	Sunday Brunch
Sept. 11	General Meeting (Installation of Officers)

If you are interested in joining the Knights, please call Rejean Houle @ 306.641.5430 or 306.783.6767 or houle_r@yahoo.fr. More info.: www.kofc-2031.ca

SACRISTANS & GATE KEEPERS NEEDED

Sacristans and Gate Keepers (open and close the church) are needed for the Saturday night Mass. If you would like to serve in either of these ministries, please call Yvonne at 306.782.1055 or Carol at 306.782.1762

News from the Archdiocese of Regina

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.

2018 Annual Report

Copies of the Archdiocese of Regina 2018 Annual Report are located at each entrance. Limited quantity.



Bringing Home the Word **+**

Christ at the Head of the Table
By Mary Katharine Deeley

In a commencement address at Northwestern University, comedian and talk-show host Stephen Colbert recalled what he learned from his experience as a member of an improvisation group. "One of the things I was taught early on," he said, "is that you are not the most important person in the scene." He said the best improvisation comes from a team that listens and responds to each other to "serve a common idea." When someone demands attention or tries to force a skit in a certain direction, the comedy falls apart. I never forgot his advice. It is appropriate in families, in workplaces, and among friends. And I confess I have had to apply it to myself on more than a few occasions.

Jesus' parable on humility, using a wedding reception as his setting, is a caution against presuming that we know best or that we—our goals and talents—are most important. He is not advocating false modesty or a refusal to use the gifts God gives us. Rather, Jesus asks that we start from a place of humility and service. He wants us to allow others to say what they need and how we can help before we presume to know the solution or how the situation should unfold.

First and foremost, the figurative head of the table belongs to Christ, and it's up to us to obediently go where he tells us. He will give us our place. It's worthy to note that at the table of the Lord, every place has the same significance and everyone is a welcome guest. The important one is Christ. After that, we are all equals, regardless of who we think we are.

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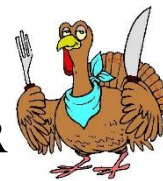
The next fundraising day is
Thursday, September 5th
3pm to 6pm

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

ST GERARD PARISH

ANNUAL ~~FALL~~ FOWL SUPPER




SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th, 2019

(Check out the bulletin
in the coming weeks
for more details!)



S	Y	M	G	N	I	D	D	E	W	MEAL	GUESTS	PARABLE
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New to the parish?? WELCOME !!!



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

THE WEEK AHEAD

- Mon. (2nd): Parish Office closed until 1pm Tuesday
7:00 pm- Bible Study
- Tues. (3rd): 5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass
- Wed. (4th): 7:00 pm- K of C Executive Meeting
- Thurs. (5th): 9:00 am- CWL Garage Sale
- Fri. (6th): 9:00 am- CWL Garage Sale
4:00 pm- Youth Choir rehearsal
5:00 pm- Wedding rehearsal
7:00 pm- RCIA
- Sat. (7th): 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass

YOUTH REFLECTION

"Choose a Humble Seat"

This Week...

Humility is joy. Those who are humble are treated well by others. They bring joy, and they receive joy in return. This is true when we approach a wedding feast or when we approach the heavenly feast of God's banquet.

For Your Reflection

Jesus advises us to be humble, and not to assume that we have a higher position or status than others. That way we won't be embarrassed if someone else comes along whose status is actually higher than ours.

A lot of status-lowering is done with put-downs. Every time you put someone down, it is an attempt to lower that person's status and to raise your own.

- How does status-lowering relate to what Jesus asks us to do?
- Paying a compliment to another person raises their status. If your compliment is accepted with grace, your status is also raised. If your compliment is rejected, or coupled with a put-down against you, your status is then lowered. How often does this happen?
- It seems to be more of a risk to compliment a person than it is to put someone down. Yet Jesus asks us to take that risk. Are you willing to risk giving compliments?
- Are you willing to stop dishing out put-downs and to start giving more compliments to others? Why or why not? What would Jesus say about this decision?

Jesus challenges us to include people of the lowest status in our social activities.

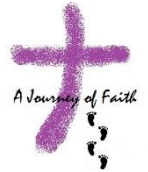
- When you have a party or when you are in the position of inviting someone to go to a movie or an athletic event with you, do you tend to seek out the most popular people with the highest social status? Or do you seek out the people who are least popular and sometimes made fun of? Why?
- Do you think Jesus' challenge is unrealistic, or do you think it is what the world needs? How so?
- What would Jesus tell teenagers directly if he were a verbal, flesh-and-blood part of the conversation?



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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

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