

St. Gerard

June 9, 2019
The Solemnity of
Pentecost

Established December 11, 1904

Roman Catholic Parish

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES:

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. (10th): Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

9:00 am

Tues. (11th): 7:00 pm +Pauline Malinowski

Wed. (12th): 10:00 am ASPEN VILLA

Dan Dierker

6:30 pm +Willy Lyon

Thurs. (13th): 9:00 am Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

2:30 pm LAKESIDE MANOR

+Tonny van den Heuvel

Fri. (14th): 9:00 am Sherrie Flahr Sat. (15th): 9:00 am +Merv Todos

7:00 pm Denis & Marianne Dierker

Sun. (16th): The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

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

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 send forth your Spirit. Teach me to walk your way of love and compassion in hope and gratitude.

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



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Catechism Themes: Pentecost (CCC 731-732)

With the power of the Spirit revealed at Pentecost, the activity of the Trinity was made known. God the Father sent his Son to share his very life, his very Spirit, with his followers. Now, disciples would carry on the work of the Son. They would celebrate the Spirit in their daily lives as they followed in the footsteps of their Lord.

God calls everyone to repentance, even second chances. How do you respond to his call? How do you help others with their call to conversion?

Pentecost revealed the power of God's forgiveness, his Spirit. Unlike the Force of Star Wars, the Spirit of God is personal. The Spirit establishes a link between the believer and the person of the Father through the person of the Son. And the Spirit makes that link personal. It is a link of love, hope, and joy based upon personal forgiveness.

Let us rejoice in the Spirit, the third person of the Trinity.

How can you celebrate a life in the Spirit this week?

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The SHHS Graduating Class of 2019 thanks the St. Gerard Parish Community for their prayers and support for Catholic Education. Thank you to all who sponsored a scholarship or bursary.

St. Gerard Parish Bursaries: Tess Jendrasheske & Jett Stechyshyn

St. Gerard CWL Scholarship: Daniel Bazin & Dawson Malinowski

K of C #2031 Scholarships: Christina Curry & Dawson Malinowski



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News June 10 - June 14, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.	Outdoor Ed Trip all week	•Kindergarten Open House			Yorkton Cardinals Student Game	
Tues.			•K-3 Play Day			
Wed.		•SCC Barbecue				
Thurs.		•Gr. 6 Canoe instruction			•Teacher Superannuation Banquet	
Fri.						

Year-end Division Band Concert - Tuesday, June 11th at 7:00 pm- Sacred Heart High School



SACRAMENTS of INITIATION PREPARATION



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





CHOIR

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 MONTH</u> at the 11am Mass.

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

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News from the CWL



- Please sign up for the CWL June 12th Windup and Social. The evening begins with Mass at 6:30pm, with Supper and activities to follow. You may register by phone to Paulette 306.782.7923 or Linda 306.783.3924
- 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



News from the Knights of Columbus



June 12 General Meeting – Budget approval

June 14 Afternoon Bingo

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

Please make this the event that you attend this year.

An invitation to all brother Knights and widows of Knights to attend the annual year-end celebration on June 23 at 4:30. If weather permits, please bring your lawn chair to the rectory backyard. Please phone/text Wayne 306-783-7380 or email wex13@sasktel.net

News from the Archdiocese of Regina

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Regina will gather in joy and thanksgiving for the Ordination of

DEACON PARKER LOVE DEACON ANTHONY TRAN PHUNG DEACON VAN CHINH VU

To the Sacred Order of the Priesthood

Friday, June 14, 2019 7:00 pm Holy Rosary Cathedral

A reception will follow

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.



Getting to Know God

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Our daughter married into a large Italian family whose get-togethers include dozens of people. (More than fifty were there for Christmas dinner, and not everyone could make it.) Ours is a small and often-quiet family, so Katy had to get used to more noise and activity than she had growing up. It was like learning a new language. It's often that way when couples wed. Over time, we come to know the inside jokes, the way the in-laws mark occasions, who we can joke with, and who prefers a more serious interaction. Just as with growing up in our own families, we become a part of them and they become a part of us.

When the Holy Spirit descended on those gathered in the upper room, it was like a wedding. They had to learn the language of God's family that included proclamation, sharing, repentance, and mercy. They had to learn what it meant to be part of one body, using their unique gifts to build on what Christ had already started. With the Holy Spirit as inspiration and source of grace, the disciples and apostles were sent to testify and invite the world to the eternal life that Christ offers.

In any relationship it takes time to get to know the other. God has the advantage in his relationship with us—he already knows us fully and intimately. In getting to know him and learning his language, we may feel awkward or out of place. But he constantly welcomes and invites us to be a part of his life and Church, knowing we might eventually come to live with him forever.

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•PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

PARISH FUNDRAISER

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

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

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.

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!



In March 2018 The Holy See announced the decision by Pope Francis to insert the celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, into the General Roman Calendar. The decision by the Holy Father was to make this an annual obligatory memorial.

As indicated in the Decree of the Congregation of Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments (Prot. N. 10/18), the obligatory memorial is to be observed annually on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday.

http://www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/Ecclesiae M ater Decreto-EN.pdf



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. (10^{th}) : 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm- Bible Study (Lower Level)

 (11^{th}) : Tues. 5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass

Wed. (12^{th}) : 7:00 pm- K of C General Meeting

7:10 pm- CWL Windup Supper

4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal Fri. (14^{th}) :

7:00 pm- RCIA (Meeting Room B)

Sat. (15^{th}) : 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass

YOUTH REFLECTION

"Winds of the Spirit"

This Week

Pentecost Sunday is called the birthday of the church. This day celebrates the Holy Spirit coming to the followers of Jesus in a rush of wind and tongues of fire. The Spirit gave them the gifts they needed to go forth and be church. These gifts vary - they are as different as we are. But we are all needed, and we are all members of one united body.

For Your Reflection

Pentecost is called the birthday of the church because before Pentecost, there really was no church. Jesus had ascended back into the heavens, the Apostles were hanging around, scared and confused, and nobody knew what to do. Going out to baptize people and preach about Jesus was the last thing they had in mind because their lives would be in danger.

But Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit - the force that turned a bunch of frightened, mixed-up folks into church. There was a rush of wind, tongues of fire, and then suddenly there was courage, knowledge, direction, and commitment! Everyone started speaking and was understood, no matter what the language of the listener was! These were saints suddenly on fire with the Holy Spirit. And it all began with the wind and fire of the Spirit.

What changes in you do you wish the Spirit could blow your way? How can you cooperate with the Spirit? In what ways do you need more courage, knowledge, direction, or commitment? What else might you need?

In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples before Pentecost? In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples after Pentecost?

When people speak about your school, would they say that it has school spirit? What do they mean by that? How is school spirit like the Holy Spirit?

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 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, <u>diplomainministry@stfx.ca</u>