



# St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

May 26, 2019

Sixth Sunday  
of Easter

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. (27 <sup>th</sup> ):		NO MASS
Tues. (28 <sup>th</sup> ):	7:00 pm	+Tonny van den Heuvel
Wed. (29 <sup>th</sup> ):	<b>10:00 am</b>	NURSING HOME (NORTH)
		+Peter Cherneski
	7:00 pm	+Grace Walsh
Thurs. (30 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:00 am	+Melvin Maduke
Fri. (31 <sup>st</sup> ):	7:00 pm	<b>Celebration of</b>
		<b>Confirmation &amp; First Eucharist</b>
Sat. ( 1 <sup>st</sup> ):	9:00 am	Stephanie Marchinko
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	7:00 pm	Special Intentions
Sun. ( 2 <sup>nd</sup> ):		<b>The Ascension of the Lord</b>
	9:00 am	Mass for the People
	11:00 am	Special Intentions

## *The Light Shines Through Broken Places*



### **Prayer Service for Healing from Clergy Sexual Abuse**

Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>  
at 7:00 pm

All are invited to attend.  
Refreshments to follow.



The Knights of Columbus  
Council No. 2031  
lead the Rosary Prayer  
each Monday at 5:30 pm  
during the month of May.

## CONTACT US

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

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Holy Spirit, draw near to us in conflict. Help us to trust that you will lead us through to the resolution we need, and that there can be peace now and then. Amen. Alleluia!

# Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

## Catholic Education Week

May 26 – June 2, 2019

World Catholic Education Day

ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019

Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools celebrate the outstanding contributions to Catholic education provided by our students, staff, families, parishes, and the CTTCS Board of Education.

On Thursday, May 30, you are invited to join students and staff for celebrations on World Catholic Education Day. Please contact your school for the scheduled time of their celebration. You are also invited to join students and staff at the following Eucharistic Celebrations:

<b>St. Henry's Church</b> Melville, SK Thursday, May 30 at 9:15 am	<b>St. Gerard's Church</b> Yorkton, SK Sunday, June 2 at 11:00 am
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### Local Catholic Schools Serving God's Children

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| Dreambuilders High School<br>Sacred Heart High School<br>Saint Alphonsus School<br>Saint Henry's Junior School<br>Saint Henry's Senior School | Saint Mary's School<br>Saint Michael's School<br>Saint Paul's School<br>Saint Theodore School |
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*Believe... Belong... Become*



## Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News

May 27 - May 31, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.		•Spring Play		•Gr. 5E Rosary-making	•SCC Hot Lunch	
Tues.		•Gr. 4 Band Parent Mtg.		•Gr. 5F Rosary-making •Gr. 4 Band Parent Mtg.		
Wed.		•Visit with Bishop Bryan	•Gr. 4 Swimming	•SCC Hot Lunch	•Living Rosary with Bishop Bryan	
Thurs.		•Living Rosary	•Prayer Service •Development & Peace Walk	•WCED Assembly •Gr. 6F & 4/6E Development & Peace Solidarity Walk	•Kindergarten Registration Day	•Catholic Education Week Service & Share the Journey Solidarity Walk
Fri.				•Spirit Day – Crazy Hair Day		•"St. Theodore's Got Talent" Show

District Track & Field - May 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>



## SACRAMENTS of INITIATION PREPARATION



### BAPTISM

*The First Sacrament of Initiation*

The next Baptism Preparation Session is  
Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> 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



- The June Windup and Social will be Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- We will begin collecting small household items, books, and clothing on June 1<sup>st</sup> for the Fall Garage Sale. Items may be left in boxes or bags outside the CWL room in the lower level. Please hold large items until September 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Please remit your 2019 membership. We still have a few outstanding memberships and hope to print and distribute a complete contact list next month.



## News from the Knights of Columbus



June 5                      Executive Meeting  
 June 12                  General Meeting – Budget approval  
 June 14                  Afternoon Bingo

*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](http://www.kofc-2031.ca)*

## News from the Archdiocese of Regina

### SAINT PIO COMES TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF REGINA



#### RELIC VENERATION

Saturday, June 1              Holy Rosary Cathedral  
11am – 9pm                      2104 Garnet Street, Regina

Sunday, June 2                Miller High School  
7:45am – 11:45am              1027 College Avenue, Regina

A Mass in honour of Saint Pio will be celebrated at 10am on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> (Holy Rosary Cathedral).

*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



All are invited to the



## Celebration of Confirmation & First Eucharist

on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 pm

Archbishop Emeritus James Weisgerber,  
Celebrant



## FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Lower Level (please use east entrance)

Featuring... "Heaven is for Real"

No charge! Free popcorn and refreshments!  
Everyone is welcome to attend!

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LOVES	REMIN	WORD	PEACE
FATHER	BEQUEATH	HOME	GIFT
ADVOCATE	HEARTS	HOLY	TROUBLED
SPIRIT	RETURN	TEACH	BELIEVE





# Bringing Home the Word **+**

## Trust the Spirit for Guidance

By Mary Katharine Deeley

For many Catholics, Vatican Council II was a watershed moment in Church history. I remember the nuns in our school turning on the radio to listen to reports. They shared what St. John XXIII said at the start of the council. The media still follow large Church events, but it's easy to forget that Church leaders have been gathering to talk about the issues of the day since the first century.

In the first reading, we hear about the Council of Jerusalem in fairly abbreviated form. The apostles and other leaders of the Church came together to discuss whether Gentiles had to be circumcised (a tenet of Jewish Law) before they were baptized. There were legitimate claims on both sides. Remarkably, the leaders prayed, talked, and prayed some more. They spoke from their experience and their faith. They assumed that all the assembled were people of faith, and so they wrestled together to find the answer most in keeping with the commands of Jesus.

In the end, when they decided to admit Gentiles without circumcising them, the whole community recognized that the Holy Spirit was at work, and the letter sent to the various churches began, "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us...." The Council of Jerusalem gives us a model for resolving our differences: pray, dialogue, and pray some more. This week, read all of Acts 15 to see what happens when we trust the Spirit to guide us rightly: arguments fall silent, and we find delight, strength, and peace (see Acts 15:12, 31-32 and John 14:27).

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### •PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

## PARISH FUNDRAISER

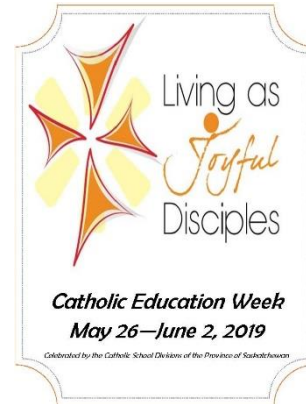
The next fundraising day is  
**Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**3pm to 6pm**

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

## Let's get together and Build Community!

### The St. Gerard Parish Pictorial Directory has arrived!

**Photo directories are 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.



## Catholic Education Week 2019 Prayer

Loving Father,

You sent Jesus, Your Son, to be our Saviour.

As we follow the way of Christ, keep us faithful to You and forever close to Your love.

Help us to be joyful disciples as we continue His mission and share the message of Your love with the world.

We as this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen

## THE WEEK AHEAD

- Sun. (26<sup>th</sup>): 12:15 pm- Sacrament Rehearsal
- Mon. (27<sup>th</sup>): 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (dough)  
4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal  
**7:30 pm- Bible Study (Lower Level)**
- Tues. (28<sup>th</sup>): 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (pinching)  
5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass  
7:30 pm- Finance Council Meeting
- Wed. (29<sup>th</sup>): 7:30 pm- Pastoral Council Meeting  
(Meeting Room B)
- Thurs. (30<sup>th</sup>): 7:00 pm- Centering Prayer  
(Lower Level)
- Fri. (31<sup>st</sup>): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal
- Sat. ( 1<sup>st</sup>): 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass

## YOUTH REFLECTION

**"The Glory of God is Our Light, Our Lamp is the Lamb"**

**This Week...**

Lamps have always been a symbol of learning, with the light from the lamp representing our own enlightenment. Jesus promises us that the Spirit will come to teach the Apostles. At the Council of Jerusalem, many disciples gathered to enlighten one another about how the Gentiles received the gift of the Holy Spirit without first being circumcised. And John's great vision reminds us that the only lamp we need is the Lamb of God - one of Jesus' titles.

**For Your Reflection**

Many colleges and universities use the symbol of the burning lamp on their seal to represent knowledge. Why do you think that is a natural symbol? What do light and knowledge have in common? How is Jesus like a lamp? What might the oil - the fuel used for light - represent?

What do you think the world needs more of - people willing to learn, or people willing to change things? Is it harder to learn, gain knowledge, and propose solutions, or is it harder to do the work, take action, and create change? Can you do one without doing the other? Why or why not? Where might you fit in?

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.*

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## 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.

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## 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.

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**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.

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## 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](http://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](mailto:r.vineyardsk@sasktel.net)

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