



St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

May 5, 2019
Third 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. (6 th):		NO MASS
	7:00 pm	<i>Prayer Vigil-Pauline Dziaduck</i>
Tues. (7 th):	11:00 am	SACRED HEART H.S. Special Intentions
	1:00 pm	<i>Funeral Mass-Pauline Dziaduck</i>
Wed. (8 th):	10:30 am	ASPEN VILLA Veronica Yeroschak +John Mansuy
	7:00 pm	
Thurs. (9 th):	10:45 am	ST. MARY SCHOOL Special Intentions
	2:30 pm	LAKESIDE MANOR Dan Dierker
	7:00 pm	+Merv Todos
Fri. (10 th):	9:00 am	+Dave Marchinko
	10:15 am	ST. PAUL SCHOOL +Peggy Becker
Sat. (11 th):	9:00 am	Dan & Brenda Dierker
	7:00 pm	+Tonny van den Heuvel
Sun. (12 th):		Fourth Sunday of Easter
	9:00 am	Special Intentions
	11:00 am	Mass for the People

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

At the 2019 Clergy Retreat, Father Louis celebrated Mass for the repose of the soul of: +Merv Todos, +Grace Walsh, +Mel Maduke, & +Eileen Griffith

CONTACT US

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

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Risen Lord, you gave your life to save the world.
Help me to be a selfless servant of love and peace
in the world.

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



Stop by the Parish Office

For a great assortment of bibles, books and religious articles including Baptism, Confirmation & First Communion gifts:



My Angel pewter picture frame	\$6.00	Communion bookmark	\$1.00
Pewter frame for baptism 3x3 photo	\$6.00	First Eucharist pocket token	\$2.00
Multi-coloured wood cross 5"	\$9.75	First Eucharist pocket token	\$2.50
Hand-painted enamel & metal cross	\$12.00	Communion remembrance tokens	\$2.50
Cross w/ praying boy & guardian angel 3"	\$13.25	Boxed rosary, 4mm beads, silver cross & chalice	\$10.25
Confirmation bookmark	\$1.00	Necklace with coloured wooden cross on string	\$1.75
Confirmation prayer card - "Prayer for Light"	\$1.25	Bracelets assorted colours w Guardian Angel	\$3.00
Heart-shaped, "Conf." pewter pocket token	\$1.50	Silver-finish football pendant necklace	\$10.00
Holy spirit pocket token	\$2.50	Necklace - "Hope" silver-plated metal pendant	\$17.50
Pewter confirmation book mark	\$5.00	Extreme Faith Youth Bible	\$14.00
Boxed cream bracelet, silver dove charm	\$5.25	Blessings & Prayers	\$14.00
Bracelet - Boxed w/ dove-inserted hearts, 7"	\$9.75	Catholic Baby's First Bible	\$15.00
Bevelled mini mirror w/pewter Holy Spirit	\$11.50	A is for Altar, B is for Bible	\$15.00
Silver dove pendant in box, 18"	\$14.00	Catholic Youth Bible	\$25.00
True Faith dog tag w. dove cut-out	\$19.00	Youcat	\$34.00
Pewter cross w/chalice & dove, 6"	\$20.00		

Let's get together and Build Community!

The St. Gerard Parish Pictorial Directory has arrived!

If you had your photo taken for the Pictorial Directory (or submitted a photo), please pick up your **personalized** envelope on the table in the Welcome Area.

Beginning NEXT weekend, photo directories will be available for sale in the Welcome Area.

Cost: \$15.00 (cash or cheque payable to "St. Gerard Church").



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News

May 6 - May 10, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.	•Denim on Denim Day •SRC Elections begin	•SCC Meeting		•Track & Field Day	•Gr. 6 Safety Patrol Trip to Regina	
Tues.	•Twin Tuesday •Easter Mass	•Gr. 7/8 Band Trip to Edmonton	•Gr. 7/8 Band Trip to Edmonton	•Gr. 7/8 Band Trip to Edmonton	•Gr. 7/8 Band Trip to Edmonton •SCC Meeting	
Wed.	•Work Wear Wednesday		•Gr. 4 Swimming	•Kindergarten Registration Day		•Care Home Visit •SCC Meeting
Thurs.	•Gr. 12 Retreat •Tourist Day	•Gr.6 immunizations	•Easter Mass @ 10:45am	•K-A Mother's Day Tea		
Fri.	•Sr. Badminton @ Swift Current	•SCC Hot Lunch		•K-B Mother's Day Tea	•Easter Mass @ 10:15am	

"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

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



The Divine Mercy Devotion
is prayed each Friday
at 2:00 pm

How are you spending the 50 days of Easter?

Here are a few ideas:

- Say a prayer for a good week.
- Have a good word for everyone you meet.
- Read the Gospel to get ready for Mass.
- Be a good listener.
- Compliment someone for something that they have done well.
- Refuse to gossip about others.
- Do something nice for someone.
- Be a peacemaker.
- Forgive someone who has hurt you.
- Show you are a follower of Jesus by being kind to others.
- Thank God for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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News from the CWL



May 8
May 9

CWL General Meeting at 7:30pm
12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care

Looking for a meaningful Mother's Day gift? Give Mom a CWL Membership this year. See information table in the Welcome Area.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on May 9th, 2019**, during National Hospice Palliative Care Week, as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life.

All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join the St. Gerard CWL Council and the St. Mary UCWLC in prayer and solidarity from **7:30am to 7:30pm at St. Gerard Church**. Those unable to attend are encouraged to join in prayerful support.



News from the Knights of Columbus



May 5
May 8
May 9
May 15

Parish Brunch
General Meeting – Election of Officers
March for Life
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

News from the Archdiocese of Regina

The Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program

Sharing The Joy of the Gospel!

Our mission is to provide you with a renewed missionary zeal fueled by the joy of the Gospel! One weekend per month from October until June, Catholics who want to know, love and serve Christ more deeply come together at Campion College in Regina. During this three-year program you will:

- +Become more deeply aware of God's personal love and activity in your life.
- +Encounter Jesus Christ, discover his plan of sheer goodness for you and deepen your relationship with Christ and his Church.
- +Discover how to more intentionally integrate your faith in daily life in service to Christ.
- +Be given the Spiritual and Formation tools you need to follow Christ's commission to "Go, make disciples of all nations".

We are currently accepting applications for our Fall intake. For more information or to register, please contact our Program Coordinator, Eric Gurash at 306.352.1651 ext 211 or email him at egurash@archregina.sk.ca



Bringing Home the Word **+**

Showing Our Love

By Mary Katharine Deeley

It has become the habit in our family to say "I love you" at the end of phone calls and e-mails. I love these frequent reminders that I am valued and worthy of love, and I like the opportunity to remind my daughters and husband that they are the same. We underscore these reminders with little acts of love. Our daughters joke that my husband and I are the only parents they know who still date. And when we do go out, we take turns paying for the other's dinner. My husband once sent me flowers when I didn't get a job I had hoped for. It was a kind and thoughtful gesture.

In the Gospel, Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me" not once, but three times. When Peter responds positively (though progressively with more irritation), Jesus continues, "Feed my lambs...Tend my sheep...Feed my sheep." It isn't enough to say we love people. We show it by caring for them and for who and what they cherish. The best way that Peter could show his love for Jesus was by caring for the people of God. He could love all the disciples and invite others to follow Jesus as well.

Pope Francis once exhorted priests to "be shepherds with the smell of sheep." Jesus is telling Peter—and all of us—much the same thing. To love the Lord is to truly live among his people: to touch them, tell them, and show them they are valuable and desired. This is the face of love.

All people deserve to know they are loved, but in our world that is not always the case. How might we respond?

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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 at

www.stphilomenawalkingpilgrimage.org



FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, May 10th @ 7pm

Lower Level (please use east entrance)

Featuring... "The Shack"

No charge! Free popcorn and refreshments!

Everyone is welcome to attend!

~ Organized by the Religious Education Team

THE WEEK AHEAD

- Sun. (5th): 6:30 pm- Tri-sacrament Prep.
(Social Hall)
- Mon. (6th): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm- Bible Study
(Lower Level)
- Tues. (7th): 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (preparing)
5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass
7:00 pm- Book Talk
(Meeting Room B)
- Wed. (8th): 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (pinching)
7:30 pm- CWL General Meeting
7:30 pm- K of C General Meeting
- Thurs. (9th): 9:00 am- Perogy Bee (packaging)
- Fri. (10th): 4:00pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm- RCIA
(Meeting Room B)
7:00 pm- Movie Night
(Lower Level)
- Sat. (11th): 6:30 pm- Choir rehearsal for 7pm Mass

•PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

PARISH FUNDRAISER

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

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

YOUTH REFLECTION

"Have You Caught Any Fish?"

This Week...

The Apostles recognized Jesus when he told them to cast their empty net on the other side of the boat and it was filled. Jesus was already cooking fish on a fire - he anticipated their needs and was ready to minister to them. He later made Peter assure him three times that he would take care of the followers. Sure enough, Peter and the Apostles kept preaching despite the warnings to stop. John had a vision of what the Holy Spirit could bring about.

For Your Reflection

Have you ever been fishing? If so, did you enjoy it? If not, do you think you would enjoy it? What would you say are the biggest challenges of fishing? What is most frustrating about it? What is most rewarding?

If you were fishing on one side of the boat and you were not catching any fish, would you follow someone's suggestion to switch sides? Do you think that could help? Jesus had the disciples do this more than once in the Gospel stories. Why do you think he told them to do that? Why do you think they listened to him?

The Apostles became courageously loyal to Jesus. Eventually, most of them were martyred. How would you explain such conviction? Is there anything or anyone you could feel that loyal to? Why or why not? What would you be willing to do for that person or that cause?

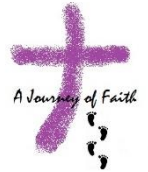
Excerpt from *In Touch With the Word, Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter*, 2004



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

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