



St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

November 3, 2019
Thirty-first 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. (4 th):		NO MASS
Tues. (5 th):	7:00 pm	+Pete Loster
Wed. (6 th):	9:30 am	+Frank Paslawski
	2:30 pm	GLADSTONE SR RES
		Special Intentions
Thurs. (7 th):	9:30 am	+Vincent Chillog
	7:00 pm	<i>Annual Memorial Mass</i>
Fri. (8 th):	9:30 am	+Irene Cherneski
Sat. (9 th):	9:30 am	+Claude Slogocki

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

NEW!

→ **5:00 pm** +Beth Werner

Sun. (10th): **Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am +George Biblow
11:00 am Mass for the People



Come and Spend an Hour with the Lord!

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

CONTACT US

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

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Lord, I am grateful for your tenderness and mercy. Help me to change my heart and show your love and compassion to all people.

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

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

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Stop by the Parish Office

For a great assortment of bibles, books and religious articles
Open Monday (1pm-4pm), Tuesday- Friday (8-noon/1-4)

SAINTS MEDALS (inc. chain with clasp)

Miraculous medal	\$2.50
St. Joseph & Holy Family	\$2.50
St. Jude & St. Raphael	\$2.50
Our Lady of Lourdes & Ste. Bernadette	\$2.50
St. Gerard & Our Lady of Perpetual Help	\$2.50
St. Anthony & St. Francis	\$2.50
Our Lady of Good Counsel & Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$2.50
St. Brother Andre & St. Joseph Oratory	\$2.50
Sacred Heart of the Child Jesus & Guardian Angel	\$2.50

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Bartimaeus	\$2.00
The Good Samaritan	\$2.00
The Paralysed Man	\$2.00
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha	\$2.25
My First Little Books	\$2.50
The Life of Jesus	\$5.25
The Three Great Catholic Prayers	\$5.25
Our Father Is	\$6.00
We Pray in Many Ways	\$7.50
The Creation Story (hardcover)	\$12.50
Blessings & Prayers	\$14.00
A is for Altar, B is for Bible	\$15.00

YOUTH RESOURCES

Extreme Faith Youth Bible	\$14.00
Catholic Youth Bible	\$25.00
Youcat	\$34.00



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News November 4 - November 8, 2019



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.			•City Vball Tourney	•City-wide Vball Tourney begins	•City Vball Tourney	
Tues.			•City Vball Tourney	•SCC Meeting		•Math Wizard Day
Wed.	•Remembrance Day Ceremony		•City Vball Tourney	•Gr. 7 to Harvest Showdown	•City Vball Tourney •Gr. 4 to Harvest Showdown	
Thurs.			•Remembrance Day Service •Harvest Showdown	•Gr. 4 to Harvest Showdown		
Fri.	•Sr. Grils Vball Playoffs •Report Cards			•Remembrance Day Service •Wear Red, White & Black Day	•Remembrance Day Service	•Remembrance Day Service at Theodore Health Centre

"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

To register for **Baptism Classes**,
please contact the Parish Office @ 306.782.2449



News from the CWL



Nov. 5
Nov. 13
Nov. 14

Executive Meeting @ 7:30pm
Deceased Members Mass & Supper
General Meeting (Thursday)



News from the Knights of Columbus



Nov. 3
Nov. 6
Nov. 9
Nov. 13
Nov. 13

Sunday Brunch
Executive & General Meeting
Evening Bingo
Deceased Members Mass & Supper
starting at 6pm
First Degree – St. Gerard

Mental Health calendars are now available. Cost: \$40
Phone/text Wayne at 306.783.7380 or email
wex13@sasktel.net to purchase.

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

News from the Archdiocese of Regina



On this 5th Week of our Archbishop's Appeal, the first reading for today's Mass begins with a statement which reminds us of the awesome power and presence of God. But for God's love to work in the world we need to share our blessings with others. By our support of the Archbishop's Appeal, we will enable the various pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese to continue extending the love of God to those in need. Your gift will ensure that the sick and the elderly receive quality pastoral care, that our youth will find support and care in the midst of their struggles, and that our outreach to the poor at home and abroad may continue to bring the love of God to others.

SCAM Alert Please be aware that text messages are once again making the rounds throughout the Archdiocese claiming to be from various members of our clergy. If you receive a text message, email, or phone call claiming to be from a priest asking for money, gift cards, or other gifts, please disregard them. In keeping with best practices to maintain your safety and financial security, do not reply or engage in dialogue with these individuals.

If you are in doubt, contact the person the text message is claiming to be from using an alternate contact method (do not reply to the originating number).

Never transfer funds, or share personal, banking or financial information from suspicious texts.

At no time will our bishop, priests, deacons, religious or diocesan staff contact you seeking information via text messages.

YOUNG ADULTS/TEENS (YA/T) Choir

Are you 13 to 21-ish? Do you like to sing? Or do you play an instrument and like to sing?

The next rehearsal is Friday, November 15th @ 7pm.

For more information or to request music please contact 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.



At the 11am Mass on Sunday, November 10th, the Royal Canadian Legion (General Alexander Ross Branch #77) Colour Party will be in attendance.

There will be coffee & fellowship after Mass.

Please remember the men and women who gave their lives in war, for the Armed Forces of Canada, and for those who work for peace.



Bringing Home the Word **+**

Hurry to See Jesus

By Mary Katharine Deeley

I'm the shortest one in nearly every picture in which I appear. It's not that I'm that short (about three inches below average), but I am surrounded by taller people. Consequently, Zacchaeus has always been a particular favorite of mine. I certainly would have tried to get higher to see Jesus, too. Maybe Zacchaeus and I would have shared a branch.

But Zacchaeus inspires me for another reason. When Jesus, whom Zacchaeus knew only by reputation, called to him, his response was immediate. He came down to stand in front of Jesus. In their society, tax collectors were considered traitors and ostracized by all. In the process of working for the Romans, Zacchaeus strengthened Caesar's influence and likely charged more than he should have to support a wealthy lifestyle when most Jews lived in poverty. Seeing Zacchaeus in the tree, Jesus seized the opportunity to bring conversion to a sinner. Instead of judgment or bitterness from a stranger, Jesus offered him words of welcome. Zacchaeus heard the invitation (literal and spiritual) in Jesus' statement—"I must stay at your house"—and "received him with joy" (Luke 1:5-6).

When Jesus enters our house, we find the strength to turn from sin. The effect of Jesus' presence on Zacchaeus was immediate. As they stood together, he turned from his sin and promised to care for the poor and make restitution for anything he stole. Let us hurry to receive Jesus into our hearts and turn away from our sin as well.

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•PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES• PARISH FUNDRAISER

The next fundraising day is
Thursday, November 7th
3pm to 6pm

- Cabbage rolls \$25 (5 dozen)
- Buckwheat cabbage rolls \$20 (2 1/2 dozen)
- Potato & onion perogies \$35 (10 dozen)
- Potato & cheddar perogies \$40 (10 dozen)

FAMILY TIME

Pray Together

This Sunday falls right after the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls. As a family, take a few moments to talk about your favorite saints and loved ones in Heaven. Then thank God for the witness of these saints and loved ones. You can make your own Litany of the Saints by having each family member in turn say the name of a saint and all can answer: "Pray for us!"

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ARCHDIOCESE OF REGINA WEEKLY

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. For assistance in signing up contact: communications@archregina.sk.ca or 306-352-1651 ext. 237



THE WEEK AHEAD

- Sun. (3rd): 9:30 am- RCIA Group 2
(CWL Room – Lower Level)
5:00 pm- Tri-sacrament Preparation
(Main Hall)
- Mon. (4th): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm- Bible Study
(Lower Level)
- Tues. (5th): 5:00 pm- Choir rehearsal for 9am Mass
- Wed. (6th): 7:00 pm- K of C Exec. & General Mtg.
(Lower Level)
- Fri. (8th): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir rehearsal
7:00 pm- RCIA Group 1
(CWL Room – Lower Level)
- Sat. (9th): 4:30pm- Choir rehearsal for 5pm Mass

YOUTH REFLECTION

"Zacchaeus"

This Week...

God created us, God calls us forth to be our best, and God loves us, even when we sin. Like Zacchaeus, we can begin again and keep our promise to do better. We are always forgiven.

For Your Reflection

Zacchaeus probably didn't like crowds. He was short and needed to climb a tree in order to see Jesus better.

- Do you like crowds? Why or why not?
- What are some other reasons why some people might not like crowds?
- What are some reasons why some people might like crowds?

Zacchaeus seemed to know that he had been dishonest as a tax collector, yet he told the crowd right away that he was giving half of his money to the poor, and paying back four times as much money to anyone he had cheated. This was quite a generous offer.

- Have you ever wronged anyone and then had to figure out a way to make it up to that person? What did you do? How did it work out? Did a lot of people know about it? What was their reaction?
- Did anyone ever wrong you and then try to make it up to you? Were you forgiving or not? Why? Are you friends with this person now? Why or why not?

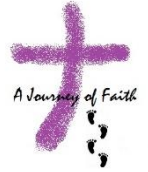
Excerpt from *In Touch With the Word, Cycle C for Ordinary Time*, St. Mary's Press, 2006



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.

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

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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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