



# St. Gerard

## Roman Catholic Parish

October 14, 2018

Twenty-eighth  
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. (15 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:00 am	David & Mary Ryhorski
Tues. (16 <sup>th</sup> ):	7:00 pm	+Walter & +Stella Konjolka
Wed. (17 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:00 am	Merle Brunsch
	10:30 am	NURSING HOME (SOUTH)
		+Viola Molnar
Thurs. (18 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:00 am	+Walter Sliwa
	2:30 pm	YORKTON CROSSING
		+Sheila Desroches
Fri. (19 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:00 am	+Al Burechailo
Sat. (20 <sup>th</sup> ):	9:30 am	Special Intentions
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	7:00 pm	Special Intentions
Sun. (21 <sup>st</sup> ):	<b>Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
	9:00 am	Mass for the People
	11:00 am	+Thelma Latosa

The Divine Mercy Devotion is prayed each Friday at 2pm



### Come and Spend an Hour with the Lord!

Eucharistic Holy Hour Devotion  
every Tuesday evening at 6pm

### 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 1.306.530.0126

### CONTACT US

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

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Lord, I'm grateful for your gentle reminders of what's important in life. Help me let go of anything that blocks the flow of love from my heart to the hearts of my sisters and brothers.

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

## A Note from Your Pastor.....

I would like to thank all those who were involved in the Fall Supper: those who brought salads and desserts; those who prepared and cooked the Filipino and many other dishes; those who donated produce; those who worked tirelessly between dawn and sunset; and those who organized the event.

It was great to meet people from the parish and the community. I, myself, see this as a great sign of unity, love, and family.

We truly had a successful Fall Supper!

Thanks again, and may God bless you all!

*Rev. Louis Nguyen*

## OCTOBER IS REVERENCE FOR LIFE MONTH

in the Archdiocese of Regina

Reverence for Life - Choose Life: For the Poor

Prayer to Guide Us:

- Fast from an “extra” in your life, donate that time/money to the poor.
- Read these Bible passages and reflect on them: Matt 25.31-46, Lk 16.19-31, Deut 15.7-11, Ps 140

Actions to Move Us:

- Volunteer/Donate to Food Banks, Open Door Society, Marian Center, Kairos, Chalice
- To educate yourselves on local Indigenous issues. Google: “Reconciliation Saskatchewan”



**PROP**

*Propagation of the Faith*

## OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH

**Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday.** Every parish across the globe will celebrate this event. It is a global sign of the Universal Church and mission. On this day, Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for the Propagation of the Faith. Your support will help missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of joy and peace around the world. Please join in this special day that unites Catholics from all over the world through prayer and care for the Church’s mission. Your donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and train seminarians and religious Brothers and Sisters in Asia, Africa, Latin America, Pacific Island and some of our Canadian dioceses.



Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools News

October 15 - October 19, 2018



	Sacred Heart	St. Alphonsus	St. Mary	St. Michael	St. Paul	St. Theodore
Mon.			•Gospel Assembly @ 10:45am		•Gr 5 Full Band begins	
Tues.			•Gr 6/7 Yorkton Landfill Fieldtrip			
Wed.						
Thurs.					•Gr 2 visits Landfill & Recycling Centre	
Fri.		•SCC Family Lunch				

**“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 will be **Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm** in the Parish Hall.

To register for the Baptism Preparation session, please contact the Parish Office 306.782.2449

### CONFIRMATION

*The Second Sacrament of Initiation*

### FIRST EUCHARIST

*The Third Sacrament of Initiation*



## News from the CWL



### YORKTON/MELVILLE REGIONAL COUNCIL INVITES YOU TO OUR CWL REGIONAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

9:30 am – 4:00 pm

ST. GERARD'S YORKTON

*"Inspired by the Spirit women respond to God's call"  
"We can make a difference"*

Please register by Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Facilitators - Deanna Pellatt & Christine Shuya  
Cost - \$10.00 (lunch included)

Registration forms are available in the Welcome Area, or call Rosella 306.782.7042 or Linda 306.783.3924

## \*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*

Commencing November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 the Sunday anticipated Mass (currently **Saturday evening** at 7:00 pm) will be celebrated at **5:00 pm**.

Commencing April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 the time will revert to 7:00 pm for the spring and summer months.



## News from the Knights of Columbus



- Oct. 14 Brunch
- Oct. 15 Family Curling (phone Jeff Kaspick @ 306.783.5534 to register)
- Oct. 16 Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus @ 5:30pm
- Oct. 20/21 Membership Drive

*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)*

## ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

The annual Memorial Mass is a special remembrance of those whose funerals were celebrated at St. Gerard during the past year, as well as for the deceased loved ones of our St. Gerard's Family who may have celebrated the funeral elsewhere during the past year.

If you did not celebrate your loved one's funeral at St. Gerard, and you would like them to be included in the Annual Memorial Mass, please stop by the Parish Office with a copy of their funeral service bulletin.

The Mass will include a reading of the names of all those we are remembering. Family of the deceased will be invited to light a candle in memory of their loved one.

*Coffee and fellowship to follow*

## Knights of Columbus Sunday Brunch

The Knights of Columbus would like to invite you to attend Sunday Brunch after Mass on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds from the Sunday Brunch go toward supporting our parish and community, so please come and have a great meal, socialize, and help to support good works.

Cost: Adults \$10.00 Under 6 \$5.00 Family \$20.00

## News from the Archdiocese of Regina



### ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL 2018

Parish Goal: \$53,209

Be Joyful  
in Hope

Our financial goal for our Archdiocesan Appeal is \$1.6 Million. This amount will help the Archdiocese finance the different pastoral programs and invest in the future of the church through endeavors such as the youth program and the education of clergy and seminarians, deacons and lay apostles. Please prayerfully consider supporting the Archdiocesan Appeal this year.



# Bringing Home the Word **+**

## Jesus Expects More than the Minimum

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Commonly in recent years, large corporations whose business practices are questioned have replied, "Everything we have done is legal." I have always been uncomfortable with that because it implies that those in charge will not do anything more than they have to in order to stay within the law. The minimum standard becomes the maximum standard. In our hearts and minds, though, we know that the common good is best served when people do more than they must. While doing the minimum required is everyone's job, we expect more of those who are in positions of leadership. We expect more of our best and brightest. And Jesus expects more of those who follow him.

The young man who comes to Jesus is both secure and comfortable in doing what is required. Jesus agrees that he has done the minimum. But the young man himself knew there was more he could do. His intelligence, curiosity, and deep reflection told him that obeying the law was not enough. When he persisted in his question, Jesus called him to more. In the same breath, Jesus challenges all of us to find what more we can do. We might obey the Ten Commandments, attend Mass every Sunday, and not offend anyone. But do we: care for those who have less, support the Church, and follow Jesus even when it's difficult? Are we willing to sacrifice our possessions and our lives, if necessary, for His sake? Is there more you can do today to reflect Christ to the world?

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### IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL PARISH HALL VOLUNTEERS

**(including Vigil & Funeral Lunches and Perogies & Cabbage Rolls)**

Father Louis would like to meet with ALL of you

**Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>  
at 7pm**

(in the Lower Level – please use east entrance)



### FIRST NATIONS AWARENESS

Saturday, October 20, 2018

11am – 3:30pm

Our Lady of Victories RC Church  
Esterhazy, SK

RSVP to Audrey Petracek 306.740.7352 (phone/text)  
or email [audreypet@sasktel.net](mailto:audreypet@sasktel.net)

Sponsored by

Our Lady of Victories Social Justice Committee

### PEROGY BEE

**October 22-24 @ 9am**

Can you make empanadas? Gyoza? Samosa? Pastelles? Pasties? Fara? Banh bot loc? If so (or not 😊), come and give perogy-making a try!

**Pinching begins Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9am** in the Parish Hall. Lots of good conversation and fun! Plus, you will be sharing your time and talent! Perogies are a great St. Gerard fundraiser!

### •PEROGIES•CABBAGE ROLLS•PEROGIES•

Tell all your friends and neighbours!!

Perogies & cabbage rolls are available for sale the **FIRST THURSDAY** of each month **from 1pm to 4pm** (while supplies last).

**The next sale date is Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### THE WEEK AHEAD

- Mon. (15<sup>th</sup>): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm- Stewardship Committee Mtg
- Tues. (16<sup>th</sup>): 7:30 pm- Choir Rehearsal (9am Mass)
- Fri. (19<sup>th</sup>): 4:00 pm- Youth Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm- Hall Volunteer Meeting  
(lower level)
- Sat. (20<sup>th</sup>): 10:00 am- DPC Meeting (lower level)
- Sun. (21<sup>st</sup>): 6:30 pm- Tri-sacrament Prep #3  
(lower level)

## YOUTH REFLECTION

### "Jesus and the Rich Young Man"

#### **This Week...**

In the first reading, Solomon tells us how one can give up all riches and material wealth in order to seek Wisdom, yet find riches beyond imagination because of seeking Wisdom above all else. In the Gospel Jesus tells how one must give up all riches in order to follow him and find the Reign of God in heaven, which of course will be far more glorious than all the possessions that have been given up. How can we give up things? Why must we give up things? The second reading gives the answer: It is the almighty and powerful way of God.

#### **For Your Reflection**

Jesus gives us some harsh words: If you are rich, don't count on getting into the Reign of God. Don't count on entering heaven. Don't count on receiving all the wealth and riches you are looking for.

- Are most teenagers you know more interested in making good money or in doing good things for the world? What are you most interested in?
- Do you believe that money can buy happiness? Do you think most teenagers would agree with you? Why or why not? What does society's behaviour indicate?

We don't hear the name of this rich young man. The Gospel doesn't tell us that he went away, never to return to Jesus again. We don't know if he ever did sell his possessions and give the money to the poor, or if he ever came back to follow Jesus.

- What do you think happened to him?
- If you were telling this story, how would you write the ending? What would happen to this rich young man, and how would he spend the rest of his life?



**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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