



St. Gerard

Roman Catholic Parish

October 9th, 2022
Twenty-eighth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Established December 11, 1904

LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES
Saturday at 5:00 pm, Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

CONTACT US

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St. Gerard Parish is located on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Nēhiyawak, Nahkawé, and Nakota, and homeland of the Dakota, Lakota, and Métis peoples.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. (10 th)	NO MASS
Tues. (11 th)	NO MASS
Wed. (12 th)	NO MASS
Thurs. (13 th)	NO MASS
Fri. (14 th)	NO MASS
Sat. (15 th)	9:00am +Don Kent

5:00pm +John Jason Himpe
6:30pm Mass following Sacrament
Preparation Session

Sun. (16th) **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00am Mass for the People
11:00am +Epania Cajilla &
+Anastacio Tan Uy

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: Please phone the Parish Office to register for Baptism Preparation. 306.782.2449

RCIA: For adults wishing to be received into the Catholic Church, contact Father Louis. 306.782.0323.

Matrimony: Please contact Fr. Louis 12 months prior to the date when you would like to be married. 306.782.0323

Reconciliation: Saturday at 8:30am or anytime by appointment. 306.782.0323

Anointing: Please contact Father Louis at 306.621.8068.



Rosary Prayer Mondays at 5:30pm
during the month of October,
led by the Knights of Columbus



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Generous and loving God, source of all blessings, please give us the grace of humble gratitude and unstinting generosity. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

-The Redemptorists

In Touch with the Word

The One Who Said “Thank-You”

Scripture:

•2 Kings 5.14-17. Naaman was cleaned of his leprosy when he did what Elisha told him to do: plunge into the Jordan River seven times.

•2 Timothy 2.8-13. Paul has us remember that Jesus rose from the dead, so that if we die with Jesus, we will also rise with Jesus.

◦Luke 17.11-19. Jesus cures ten people of leprosy, and only one returns to thank him for the healing. The one who returns is a Samaritan.

Theme:

Believing in Jesus is believing in life after death, and in joy after sorrow. Naaman did not really think he would be cured by going into the Jordan River; in fact, he almost did not even try. But once he did, his conversion was so great that he wanted to bring back some of the sacred earth from the holy place of the one true God. He was thankful. On the other hand, most of the lepers in this Gospel were less thankful, even though they seemed to have no doubts that they could be cured.

Reflection:

Naaman did not have high expectations. He almost dismissed the healing advice Elisha gave to him. And his response after being cured was pure awe and gratitude. He tried to give Elisha a gift, but Elisha would not accept it. Doing God’s work is gift enough.

- When you’re not expecting much, are you more thankful for blessings?
- When was a time that you were surprised with an unexpected blessing? What was your response?

The lepers that met Jesus called him by name and begged for his pity. They probably would not have bothered if they didn’t think Jesus had the power to cure them. If the only one who returned to thank Jesus as a Samaritan, a person Jews were taught to regard as less worthy than themselves, one wonders if the other nine were Jews. One could further wonder if the other nine thought themselves better than one Samaritan, and therefore, being Jews, thought they *deserved* a cure more than that Samaritan did. Perhaps they might have even been angry that the Samaritan was treated just as well as the rest of them. There is no evidence to support such a theory, but one can wonder.

- When you are expecting something, are you less thankful when it comes?
- If you think yourself more deserving of an honour or compliment than another person, yet both you and this other person receive the same honour or compliment, does that taint your feeling of gratitude? Has such a thing happened to you?
- Why do the blessings of others sometimes have a negative impact on the thankfulness we feel about our own blessings?

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



The Celebration of World Mission Sunday

October 16, 2022

The universal collection for **World Mission Sunday** is unique: its fruits are distributed worldwide according to the needs of the poorest dioceses. Everyone contributes to the cause and this allows the survival of the poorest dioceses, especially those who do not benefit from twinning or privileged contact with the West.

Every Christian is called to be a missionary and witness to Christ, and the Church, the community of Christ’s disciples, has no other mission than that of bringing the Gospel to the entire world by bearing witness to Christ. To evangelize is the very identity of the Church.



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. If you are interested in this journey of faith, please contact Fr. Louis at 306.782.2449 or 306.782.0323.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

Friday, November 4th 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 other deceased loved ones of our St. Gerard's Family who passed away in the last twelve months.

If your loved one's funeral was not celebrated at St. Gerard this year, and you would like them to be included in the Annual Memorial Mass, please speak with Father Louis after Mass before the end of October. *You may drop off funeral cards on the table at the back of the church and someone will mount for you.*

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.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Children fluctuate between moments of deep, heartfelt gratitude and an attitude of entitlement. These fluctuations are normal. Among our tasks as parents is to help foster the gift of gratitude, particularly gratitude to God for all God's goodness to us.

Read today's Gospel, Luke 17:11-19. Make a poster showing some of the gifts from God to your family. Display this poster in a prominent place and, as a family, write a prayer of thanksgiving for all of God's goodness to you.

www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/



News from the CWL



The next CWL Meeting will be Wednesday, October 12 @ 7pm in the CWL Room. All members are invited to attend this important meeting.

The Knights of Columbus and CWL are hosting a Memorial Mass to honour deceased members on Wednesday, November 9th at 5:30 pm followed by a banquet at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. Tickets for the banquet are \$25 per person and must be purchased by Wednesday, November 2. We will have tickets available at the meeting on Wednesday, October 12 and also at all weekend masses on October 22/23 and 29/30.



News from the Knights of Columbus



Bingos will resume in the near future.

Oct. 12 Rosary for the Unborn at 6:30pm
(near monument at west side of church)
General Meeting @ 7pm

The Knights of Columbus and the CWL will be hosting a Memorial Mass and banquet to honour our deceased members on November 9. Mass will be at 5.30 with the banquet to follow at 6.30. Tickets for the banquet are \$25 per person and must be purchased by November 2. The CWL and Knights will be selling tickets after each weekend mass on the weekends of October 22/23 and October 29/30. Please plan to attend to honour the memory of our faithful deceased members.

If you are interested in joining the Knights, please call Tom @ 306.782.8664. www.kofc-2031.ca



The Knights of Columbus will be doing a fall yard cleanup the morning of **October 15th** for seniors in the parish who are unable to do their own cleanup. Please contact Keith Hayward @ (306) 783-0963 if you would like us to come to your yard.



Knights of Columbus Yorkton Council #2031 will be hosting a Brunch after each Mass Sunday, **October 16th**. Pancakes, sausages, hash browns, scrambled eggs and fruit.



Now that fall is here we are looking forward to another season of **Knights of Columbus Curling**. If you are interested in playing you can enter as a team or as an individual and I will try to find a team for you. We are scheduled to start on **October 24th**. Please contact Jeff Kaspick by email or phone at ljkaspick@sasktel.net or 1.306.621.2394 (evenings or weekends).

PARISH FALL SUPPER PLANNING MEETING



Tuesday, October 11th at 7:30pm
Meeting Room A



Bringing Home the Word **+**

Paid with a Glass of Milk

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

A young Howard Kelly was poor and hungry, knocking on doors for a bit of charity. At the last door, discouraged with so little response that day, he merely asked for a glass of water from the young girl who opened the door. Realizing he was more than thirsty, she brought him a glass of milk. He asked what he owed her and she responded, "Nothing. Mother has taught us never to accept pay for a kindness." Little Howard responded simply: "Then I thank you from my heart."

Years later, the girl who gave milk to Howard had become a seriously ill, middle-aged woman. She was transferred to the city hospital and treated by a successful specialist. After months of treatment and medication, she overcame the disease and returned home. When the bill arrived, she feared to open it because, although not totally poor, she was of humble means. Upon opening the envelope, she found this message on the bill: "Paid in full with one glass of milk. Dr. Howard Kelly."

Our acts of kindness never go unpaid, and a little love goes a long way toward transforming the world. True gratitude is never just a word on the lips but a lifestyle and an attitude of a noble heart. A grateful-hearted person knows that everything is a gift, and we should, in turn, give to those around us. Our biggest benefactor is God himself, our Creator, who has given us life, love, and eternal salvation. May he be the first one to whom we express our gratitude!

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News from the Archdiocese of Regina

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL

Today marks the beginning of our 23rd Annual Archbishop's Appeal! The theme this year is "Hope: For nothing will be impossible with God". This year's financial goal is \$1.4 million. Let us live as people of Hope, waiting with expectation, knowing we serve a God who is with us always. Let us share that hope with others, and support growth in our Archdiocese through giving generously.



"Canada Needs Our Lady"

Rosary Rally

October 15, 2022

12 noon



Grotto at St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

The colourful month of October is once again upon us, and we are again reminded of Our Lady of Fatima and Her admonition to the world that She alone and Her weapon, the Rosary, can bring peace and tranquility to the world. As we look at the world around us there are more signs of chaos and division rather than peace in nations across the globe, and Our Lady's 'adversary' seems to be in total control. Let us again beseech Our Heavenly Mother, as our powerful advocate, to intervene with the Holy Trinity to bring about the Peace that we all long for. But She, in turn, has asked us to do our part in praying the Rosary.

YORKTON HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH CHILI SUPPER

(Enjoy chili, baked potatoes, buns, coleslaw and desserts)

FRIDAY OCT. 21, 2022

Supper 5:30 pm

Parish Hall

(Please use Church entrance on Darlington Ave.)

Adults: \$15.00

Children (10 & under): \$5.00

Advance Tickets Only

Don/Susan Geddes-306-786-7178

Howard Jones-306-621-4377

Church Office-306-728-9676

"Come and enjoy a great evening of fellowship."

THE WEEK AHEAD


- Tues. (11th): 7:30pm- Fall Supper Planning Meeting
(Meeting Room A)
- Wed. (12th): 7:00pm- CWL General Meeting
- K of C General Meeting
- Sat. (15th): 5:00pm- Sacrament Prep *(Parish Hall)*
- Sun. (16th): 7:00pm- Marriage Prep *(Lower Level-
please use east entrance)*




Archdiocese of Regina October 9, 2022

Bulletin

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time





Archdiocese of Regina
AGM

Wednesday, October 26
7:00 - 8:00 PM

Online

Archdiocese of Regina 2021 AGM

The Annual General Meeting for 2021 will be held online on Wednesday, October 26 at 7:00 PM. Register for the meeting [online](#), email mgurash@archregina.sk.ca or call 306-352-1651 ext 6734. The 2021 annual report can be read [HERE](#).

Night Hike – A pilgrimage experience for young adults

All young adults are invited to join us for an outdoor adventure on Sat. Oct. 8th from 2:00 pm until 10:30 pm. We will spend the day/evening out at Camp Monahan (Lebret, Sask.) The day will consist of canoeing, wall climbing, archery, Mass, Worship & Adoration, good food, great conversation, a Stations of the Cross hike, wiener roast/campfire. Everyone 18 and up are welcome. Cost: \$10 Please go to tinyurl.com/oyyam to register.

The Intersection Between Ecumenism and Justice

Archbishop Donald Bolen will give the 4th Annual Paul Wattson Lecture at the Chicago Theological Union Oct. 10 at 6:00 PM. This yearly lecture, sponsored by the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement and Catholic Theological Union, honours the founder of the Friars, Fr. Paul Wattson, and focuses on ecumenical and interreligious dialogue and understanding as an important part of the mission to which Fr. Paul devoted his life. Register for the livestream at ctu.edu/event/paul-wattson-lecture-with-archbishop-bolen/

Stewardship Bulletin Bit

"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Luke 17:18
Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

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Archbishops Appeal

The readings at Mass speak to us about healing – both in physical and spiritual ways. We hear the account of Naaman the Syrian being cleansed of his leprosy in the Jordan. When he is healed, his faith is healed as well. The prophet Elisha helps him realize that his healing was a special gift of God, and not something that can be bought. Saint Paul's letter to Timothy tells us that God is faithful to us. Sometimes the world we live in makes it challenging to live out the Gospel, but when we know that God is always with us, even if we reject that relationship, giving us the confidence to respond to His voice in generous and creative ways. When Jesus heals the lepers in the gospel, only the Samaritan gives praise to him. Samaritans were bitter enemies of the Jews, and so it makes the encounter even more powerful. Jesus shows us that the love and healing mercy of God is available to all. With the generous support that the Annual Appeal receives, many ministries of healing are able to happen. With outreach to the poor, to spiritual care in our healthcare system, your financial support contributes to many people being able to hear the healing words of Christ and experience His love.



The Archdiocese of Regina Lay Formation Program

Forming disciples for leadership, service and evangelization

- +We provide solid teaching from diocesan priests, religious and lay persons who are experts in the fields of theology, ethics, social justice, scripture, liturgy, canon law and a host of others.
- +We provide the skills, tools and opportunities to deepen your spiritual life, assess your God-given gifts and discern how best to offer these in service to Jesus Christ.
- +We provide a working knowledge of particular areas of service including; native ministry, ministry to the sick, dying and bereaved, youth ministry, parish government, and teaching the faith.
- +We provide the tools and the guidance to speak confidently about the church, faith and Jesus Christ in the home, the parish and the world.

We are currently accepting applications for our Fall intake. For more information on how to register or our COVID-19 health and safety protocols, please contact our Program Coordinator, Deacon Eric Gurash at 306-352-1651 ext 6724 or email him at egurash@archregina.sk.ca

TF317: Growing in Hope - Bishop Jim Weisgerber's Congress 2022

Keynote

Our Archbishop's Annual Appeal kicked off in September with our 2022 Congress featuring a Keynote address by Bishop Jim Weisgerber on "Growing in Hope". This week on Thinking Faith, we invite you to enjoy Bishop Jim's address and to prayerfully consider how you might contribute to this year's Archbishop's Appeal.

For more information and to donate, visit <https://archregina.sk.ca/archbishops-appeal>

Show Snippet: "In English, hope means 'wishing'. "I hope the Roughriders will get a playoff spot..." and, I mean, that's nice, that's part of hope. But not by far the strength, the core, the heart of what hope means...in Latin 'expectare', in French 'esperance', same word. And it means, expectare, it means 'to wait for, and expect...'"

thinkingfaith.libsyn.com/growing-in-hope-bishop-jim-weisgerbers-congress-2022-keynote



Development and Peace Fall Workshop Online

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada invites you to join us in celebrating 55 years of solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South! Together, we will help renew our passion for action and rediscover our call to be good stewards of creation! ONLINE (Saskatchewan & Keewatin-Le Pas wide To give everyone in our beautiful and expansive region a chance to attend our Fall workshop, we are hosting a Zoom workshop on October 12th, starting at 7:00 PM. Absolutely everyone welcome! Please click [here](#) to register. Or, type in "bit.ly/SK-online" (case sensitive) to your web-browser.

Contact: Please send any questions to Michael LeBlanc (mleblanc@devp.org) or call 306-205-2334

Creation Care in our Places of Prayer: Energy Retrofits and other Faith-based climate action

Kairos Regina is hosting a gathering to help you and your church community learn, share, and begin to plan a path forward to decarbonize your church. We will tackle the questions of why does this question matter from a theological Christian perspective, what are others already doing about this, and what practical resources are out there to help us get started. We hope you will join us!

Saturday, Oct. 15, 9:30 AM–4:00 PM lunch included

Living Spirit Centre, 3018 Doan Dr., Regina

\$25/in-person, \$10 on-line

Register bit.ly/3QL2Ki1

Archdiocese of Regina Bulletin Submissions
To submit a bulletin announcement for inclusion in the diocesan bulletin announcements, please email it by Tuesday before noon to communications@archregina.sk.ca.

itwewin Corner (itwewin is the Cree word which means 'the word' or 'as it is said...')

Fr. John Weckend, Archdiocese of Regina Truth and Reconciliation Healing Committee.

Did you know... Treaty 4 created obligations and duties for the treaty partners, including the settlers (newcomers) who were represented by the Crown. These obligations are called treaty promises. Treaty 4 is "recognized as a solemn, sacred, and lasting agreement that create legally enforceable obligations on both parties" (p.13). First Nations immediately honoured their treaty promises while the Crown (Canada) has yet to completely fulfill its treaty promises made to First Nations people. (OTC, 2008, We are All Treaty People)

Saskatchewan ProLife Association Employment Opportunity

Are you looking for a rewarding and fulfilling job promoting a basic tenet of our faith – the sanctity of life? This is your opportunity!! We are in need of a committed individual to manage our work.

POSITION: Office Coordinator

Full time position based in REGINA

(partial work-from-home may be possible)

Find full job description at saskprolife.com/events

CHAS 79th Annual Convention

On October 27th- 28th, 2022 the Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan will hold its 79th Annual Convention at Queen's House of Retreats in Saskatoon! Hospitality is such an important part of caring that leads to healing. This year's convention theme is Hospitality: The Link that Builds Community. We are very pleased to announce that Fr. Ron Rolheiser will be a keynote speaker. The convention will cover topics such as palliative care, addiction recovery, and care for people with dementia and it will feature panelists who will help us appreciate the steps we need to take toward reconciliation with our Indigenous and Metis sisters and brothers. Register at queenshouse.org

Trinity Manor at Westerra:

Welcome Home! Experience the true meaning of retirement with a world of choices, beautiful architecture, and a variety of programs and services. Your neighbours are caring people who make you feel welcome. One of our residents said, "If I was still living in my home, I would be so isolated now. But, living at Trinity Manor I have friends all around me". Regina's own Trinity Manor, a part of Emmanuel Care, is under the leadership and sponsorship of the Catholic Bishops of Saskatchewan. Whether you need assisted living, short stay, customized care plans, or to age in place, we are challenging the standard for retirement living. With our affordable pricing starting at \$2245, enjoy premium retirement living at affordable rates! Attend daily Mass, receive the sacraments, or spend time in quiet reflection in our tranquil chapel. Start your day by enjoying the country sunrise, 10 mins from downtown. Book your personal tour now by contacting Janet at 306-550-8077 or visit us at trinitymanorregina.ca.

