

ST GERARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

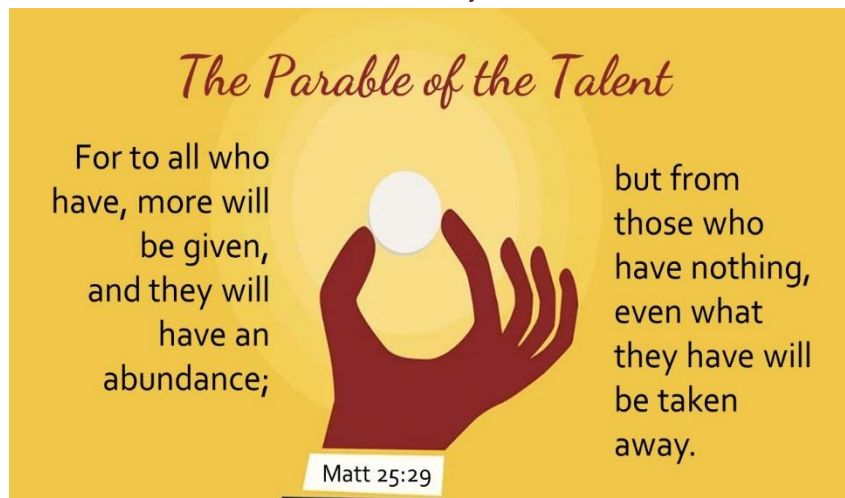
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November 19, 2023



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Key events Coming Soon:

- Fall Bazaar, **November 18**
- Permanent Diaconate, **November 18 (see page 3)**
- Snow Shovel Fundraiser, **November 18/19**
- Songs for the Faith Journey, Denis Grady, **Nov. 25**
- Session Four Reconciliation **December 2**
- Session Two Confirmation **December 2**
- Christmas Concert Cappy Smart Band **December 5**
- Knights of Columbus, Lecture series, **December 6**
- Living Rosary **December 8**
- Simbang Gabi, **December 10**
- CWL Christmas Dinner, **December 12**
- St. Catherine Christmas Concert, **December 13**
- Parish Reconciliation **December 14**
- Children Reconciliation **December 16**

MASS TIMES

Tuesday 6:30 pm
Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am

ADORATION

Tuesday 5:00 - 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

PARISH TEAM

Pastor: Fr. Ignatius Tran

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WEBSITE: www.stgerards.ca

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday:

9 am to 12 pm (noon)

Closed noon - 1 pm (*lunch break*)

Afternoons **by appointment only:**

from 1 pm - 4:30 pm

Closed Holidays

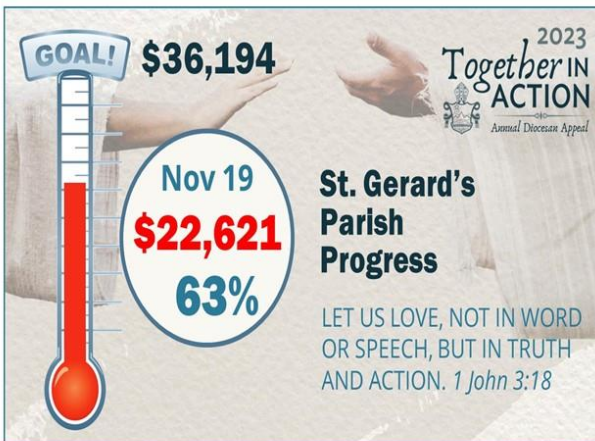
Deadline for Parish Newsletter

Wednesday at 4:00 pm

Our Weekly Financial Pulse as of November 17, 2023:

Have you officially registered to become a member of our parish? *Sign up*

Our Financial Picture General and TIA Collections



November 2023 - Weekly Target:
\$8,184 vs actual weekly collections

Nov. 5 (corrected) \$12,649
(over - \$4,465)

Nov. 12 \$11,627 (over - \$3,443)

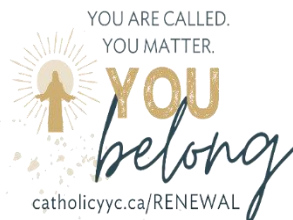
today!

<https://stgerards.ca/becoming-a-registered-member> Thank you for your support and generosity.

Make your donation count! Please include your address to receive tax receipt. For on-line giving, visit <https://stgerards.ca/donate>:



You Asked, and We Listened!



FOR ONLINE GIVERS:

I gave online cards now available

If you give electronically, please pick up one of these cards at the hospitality table. To be used by online givers during the offertory.



CWL Upcoming event:

CWL Christmas dinner is December 12. **Tickets available this weekend - \$20.** Dinner commences immediately after the 6:30 pm mass.

THE CHOSEN Season 3

Nov 19th, 2023

ALL are WELCOME to watch Season 3 for a 2 back-to-back **Episodes 3 & 4** at 1:30 pm (Parish Hall).

Join us for an afternoon movie, great conversations, and some popcorn too!



Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

You are invited to the upcoming ordination of [12 permanent deacons](#) in our Diocese! Doors will be opened at 10 am. Livestream information will be shared closer to the date. When: **Sat, Nov. 18 at 11 am, St. Mary's Cathedral.**

Snow Shovel Fundraiser - November 18/19 weekend

The Knights of Columbus (Holy Spirit branch) are selling snow shovels as a fundraiser, this will happen next weekend.

They are \$30 each. Payment can be by cash, e-transfer, or credit/debit card. Please support this by buying one or two for yourself or a friend.

Knights of Columbus Fall “Meat” Sale

Stock Up Now for the Holiday Season!

The Knights of Columbus are once again holding their Meat Sale Fundraiser. The deadline to order is **December 3**. Pick-up is December 12. All proceeds towards the Knights of Columbus charitable works. Thank you for your support!

Click [here](#) to place your order


Knights of Columbus Fall ‘Meat’ Sale Fundraiser

See stgerards.ca for details



Order by Dec 3
Pick-up December 12

Beef
Chicken
Salmon
and more!



The Knights of Columbus Lecture Series presents:

Our World, the Environment and the CPP

with Alf Fischer

Wednesday, December 6, 7:30 pm
St. Gerard's Hall, **FREE** Admission & Coffee

See stgerards.ca for details

Little Rock Scripture, Gospel According to John, Part 2

Participate in an engaging discussion in this ten-week course where you can explore the Gospel of John with fellow parishioners. Every Wednesday 9:45 -11:30 am.

November 22, review *Lesson 3*.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

December 2, Session Four: 1st Reconciliation at 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Please pray for 37 First Reconciliation candidates and their families.

December 2, Session two: Confirmation – Chosen, Journey to Confirmation

Focus on: Lessons 4, 5, 8 and 10

Please pray for 21 Confirmation candidates and their families.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Children

Are you someone, or do you know someone who: *Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Was baptized as a child but not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist?* For more information, please contact our [parish office](#)

Calling all unbaptized School-Aged children (ages 7 – 17 years old):

- Let the children come! *Has your child expressed interest in becoming Catholic?* Inquire today to become part of God's family here at St. Gerard's.

Fill out our on-line registration by visiting: <https://stgerards.ca/sacraments-1>

Celebrating Life – Birthday and Wedding Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to all November celebrants including...



November 20 – Felicia Robert, Gay Abuan-Summers
November 21 – Raphael Gbadebo / Scarlett Gingera / Jeffrey Schture & Kathleen Symons
November 22– Ysabelle Adviento
November 23 – Gio Andrew Quimpo
November 24 – Nicolas Charbel
November 25 – Athena Aslarona / Reina Castro / Adelyn Marshall/ Teresa McLaren & Lynn Rowley
November 26 - Alieh Apitan / Novelita Ebiel / Seyram Hedihor

MASS INTENTIONS – NOVEMBER 2023 **RIP – Rest In Peace; SI – Special Intentions

Important note: 2023 Mass Intentions are full. Booking intentions for February 2024

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| Tuesday November 21 | Mark Wiber | RIP |
| Wednesday November 22 | Paul and Betty Thompson | SI |
| Thursday November 23 9:00 AM | Mark Wiber | RIP |
| Friday November 24 9:00 AM | Charbel Nicolas | SI |
| Saturday November 25 - 5:00 PM | Andy Szakony | RIP |
| Sunday November 26 - 9:00AM | Darleen Frazier | RIP |
| Sunday November 26- 11:00AM | Albert Hess | RIP |

Cappy Smart Band, December 5

Come join us for an evening of fun and music.

Get your tickets early!

Thank you to all volunteers who are assisting us sell the tickets!



Book of Remembrance, deadline to sign up is November 23 at noon.

Sign the Book of Remembrance

Click [here](#) to sign on the online Book of Remembrance, or sign in person in the church (to the right of the altar). Please do not sign both. The names of the deceased received will be read at the St. Gerard's Memorial Mass on Thursday, November 30 at 7 PM.



Our Parish Prayer Wheel – Visit Parish Hall to participate

Every prayer counts!
Remember to take time to build relationship with Jesus. **Start today!**

Select a time (i.e., 7 am), decide on a prayer; pick a dot to write your initials. Post the dot!



Simbang Gabi 2023, Come and Join us!

Simbang Gabi at St. Gerard's parish on Sunday, December 10. Carolling at 6:30 pm, Mass at 7:00 pm. **Volunteers required**, please contact the office if interested.

PRAY The Living Rosary



Friday Dec 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
St. Gerard's Parish

Participants are
needed who can pray
and lead the Rosary
in different
languages. Candle
bearers are also
needed.

REGISTER ONLINE
by November 30
[stgerards/
the-living-rosary](https://stgerards.ca/the-living-rosary)

In honor of our Blessed Mother, help us lead the rosary in different languages.

To sign-up, please visit: <https://stgerards.ca/the-living-rosary>

Children's Christmas Eve Mass



Calling for 
**Children's Christmas Eve
Mass VOLUNTEERS**
December 24, 5 pm
There are many roles available.
Check out this week's Bulletin
for details.

Please visit the
website to sign up
under 5PM Christmas
Eve Mass Sign Up.

<https://stgerards.ca/>

Rehearsal will be on
December 16th from
1:00-3:00PM.

This Christmas

Adopt-a-family

Deadline is Dec 15

See stgerards.ca for details

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Event

Every Christmas they deliver approximately 140 hampers to individuals and families who are experiencing financial difficulty.

For families in need, they are once again inviting parishioners to support their **Adopt-a-Family** program.

Click [here](#) for full details to learn how you can get involved and assist those in need.

SONGS
For the Faith
JOURNEY
MUSICAL REFLECTIONS
ON THE JOYFUL
MYSTERIES
WITH SINGER SONG WRITER
DENIS GRADY



In Concert
Saturday November 25, 7pm
St. Gerard's Parish 8944 Elbow Drive SW



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KIDS Bulletin – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- [Colouring page this Sunday](#)
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