



# St. Michael Catholic Church

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## *From the Pastor*

Some of us in our life at some time or another have said, "It is not fair". If you have said that; join the crowd. The workers in today's gospel think that they have been 'cheated' because those who worked less than them got the same pay. It seems neither fair nor just, does it? What about those at the foot of the cross who saw a criminal simply ask and receive an eternal reward? This is neither fair nor just by our standards. Today's gospel tells us that God is far more gracious than any of us. It is encouraging us to realize that we do not have the right to make either judgments or comparisons in the realm of spiritual affairs. What the Lord sees in the late conversion of someone who had been far from Him is the response to a Graced moment. We might today call them God drops.

A Graced Moment is an occurrence in our lives that causes us to stop and think about the role we are called to play in the Kingdom of God...the birth of a child, or at the death of a Loved One. Marriage can be a Graced Moment as a couple decide that they want infinitely more than a legal agreement or even a blessing on their marriage. They want Jesus Christ as the Center of their love. For many Teens confirmation is a Graced Moment as they realize that they need to take their faith seriously and commit to Jesus Christ. A Graced Moment can come when a major decision is to be made, or when a person feels the need to change his or her lifestyle. The Lord is concerned that we respond to His call to grace.

"Take advantage of the graced moments the Lord provides." We do not have the right to think that we know better than the Lord how He should lavish His goodness, whether that be on others or on us.

### MASS SCHEDULE GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 5:30 pm 4:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am 8:00 am

### CONFESSION GIRARD ARMA

Saturday 2:00-2:30 pm 3:15-3:45 pm

Before all Masses, anytime by appointment

### RECTORY HOURS & INFORMATION

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - Noon

Rectory: (620) 724-8717

In case of Emergency: (785) 917-1828

### STAFF Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney

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### PARISH WEBSITE:

www.stmichaelgirard.com

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Finance Council Parish Council

Tony Stonerock, Chair TBA

TBA

Altar Society Knights of Columbus

Sept. 25 @ 6pm 1st Tuesday of month

St. Michael's Hall St. Michael's Hhall

Helping Hands Daughters of Isabella

Carrie Smith Marilyn Bradshaw

724-6684 724-7133

Kapaun's Men: Friday mornings at 6am

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for Sept. 23 - Oct. 1

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Location
Sept. 23	Saturday	4:00pm	Annett Petrey	Arma
		5:30pm	For the People	Girard
24	Sunday	8:00am	Charles & Virginia Schaub	Arma
		10:00am	Jim Davied	Girard
25	Monday	No Mass		
26	Tuesday	5:30pm	Joe and Betty Jouvan	Arma
27	Wednesday	6:30pm	Claudia Murnell	Girard
28	Thursday	8:00am	Gertrude McKinney	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
29	Friday	7:00am	Daughters of Isabella	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
30	Saturday	4:00pm	Jack Jarboe	Arma
		5:30pm	Verl Diskin	Girard
Oct. 1	Sunday	8:00am	Fred Bogina	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday (9/30/17) 5:30 pm	Next Sunday (10/1/17) 10:00 am
Altar Servers:	Macy & Carly Reif	Broc & Kaleb Scales, Cory Puckett
EMHC:	Linda Degarmo	Marilyn McCracken
Lector:	Butch Reif	Michelle Puckett
Gift Bearers	John & Mary Gilpin	Doug & Kristen Graham family

## ST. MICHAEL'S 2017 FALL BAZAAR

Mark your calendar, the Fall Bazaar will be Sunday, Oct. 22. Work list/ticket envelopes will be in the entrance of the church for the next two weeks, then they will be mailed. Please stop by and pick yours up to save on postage. We need everyone's support to make our Bazaar a success once again. Thank you so much!

### ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Our next meeting will be at 6pm at St. Michael's hall on Sept. 25 to stuff envelopes for the Bazaar. Come and join us. Thank you for all the support!

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

I will be hearing confessions before all Masses; that means I will be in the confessional until 10 Minutes before each Mass, daily and weekend. At the present time I will continue the 2:00pm time in Girard except for Sept 30, and Oct 14 which have weddings at 2:00. - Fr. Floyd

### CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER

The First Christian Church is having their annual Chicken Noodle Dinner on Sunday, Sept. 24th from noon to 1:30 at the 1st Presbyterian Church, 202 N Summit in Girard. Adults \$7.

### ADORATION OPENING

Paula Sevart needs someone to share her 10:00am adoration spot on Fridays. Call her at 724-7585 if you can help.

### EMHC TRAINING

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Save the date... there will be a training "update" on Wed., Oct. 25 from 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg.

### CRAFT DAY

Craft day will be the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month. It will be from 8:30 until 1:30. If anyone has flannel they would like to donate, bring it to the Hall and put "Barb Mikrut" on it. We are going to make receiving blankets and burp pads.

### PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Teresa Davenport, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred and Marjorie Giefer, Mark LaTurner, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, Howard Peak, Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Office of Respect Life and Social Justice asks you to please mark your calendars for the following dates: Oct. 28 the

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>		
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$2,786.15	\$32,208.85
Children's Offering	\$6.85	\$190.61
Expenses		\$26,731.39
Over / (Under)		\$5,668.07
Building Fund Contributions	\$140.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$93,759.43	

diocesan office will hold a Respect Life Conference. Additionally, the diocesan March for Life Pilgrimage will be Jan. 16-21, 2018. Prayerfully consider participating in these events which promote the sanctity of life. If you cannot attend the events, they would appreciate your prayers for their efforts and the safe travel of other participants.

### DIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

Bishop Kemme would like to hear your responses to the following three questions that will be posed at diocesan listening sessions:

- 1) As a diocese, what do we do well?
- 2) As a diocese, what could we be doing better?
- 3) As a diocese, what should our pastoral priorities be for the next three to five years?

The sessions close to us will be Sunday Oct 29 at 1:00pm at St. Patrick in Parsons and Saturday Nov. 18 at 10:00am at Our Lady of Lourdes in Pittsburg. Go to the "Listening Session" link under "Find It Here" on the homepage of our diocesan website ([www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org](http://www.catholicdioceseofwichita.org)) to submit your written responses if you are unable to attend in person. To register to attend a session, call the Chancery at 316-269-3900 or e-mail [winslowt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org](mailto:winslowt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org).

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE TO BEGIN IN WICHITA

From September 27 through November 5, you're invited to join other Parishes and Churches for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside South Wind Women's Center - 5107 E Kellogg Dr, Wichita, KS 67218. Please spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Respect Life Social Justice Office (316)269-3935 or to sign up go to: <https://40daysforlife.com/Wichita>.

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