



St. Michael Catholic Church

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From the Pastor

Are you one of those people who has to have an alarm clock? Sometimes I do and sometimes I wake up before the 'noisemaker' goes off. I am not a 'night owl' and for the most part am not bothered by getting up early before the noise of the day starts. Today's readings give us another point of view by saying "stay awake". Jesus warns us not to be like the foolish bridesmaids who were unprepared. The theme is one that we like to avoid, that is, death. In this month of November, we have celebrated the saints and the souls; now we can look at ourselves who one day will follow in their footsteps. The idea is to be prepared. Even though we do not like the sound of the alarm, it is going to sound at the time we have it set. Even though we do not like to think about or talk about death, it will happen to us some day. The foolish bridesmaids remind us that we need to be ready when that alarm goes off, that is, the sound of the Lord calling us to eternal life. The oil of our life that we need to have on hand is our good deeds, our values lived for God, and a participation in the church that shows our desire to God's will. The first reading speaks of wisdom; may we have the wisdom to know the grace of God and how to grow in that grace.

<u>MASS SCHEDULE</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
Saturday	5:30 pm	4:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am	8:00 am

<u>CONFESSION</u>	<u>GIRARD</u>	<u>ARMA</u>
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
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www.stmichaelgirard.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Fridays from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Mass Schedule and Intentions for Nov. 11 - 19

Nov. 11	Saturday	4:00pm 5:30pm	Intention of the Celebrant Stan Thomas	Arma Girard
12	Sunday	8:00am 10:00am	Barb Born For the People	Arma Girard
13	Monday	No Mass		
14	Tuesday	5:30pm	Intention of the Celebrant	Arma
15	Wednesday	6:30pm	Verdan Davied	Girard
16	Thursday	8:00am 8:30am-12:30pm	NO MASS Eucharistic Adoration	Arma Arma
17	Friday	7:00am 8:00am-6:00pm	NO MASS Eucharistic Adoration	Girard Girard
18	Saturday	4:00pm 5:30pm	Jack Jarboe Ed Walsh	Arma Girard
19	Sunday	8:00am 10:00am	Jim Davied For the People	Arma Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	<u>Next Saturday</u> 11/18/17 5:30 pm	<u>Next Sunday</u> 11/19/17 10:00 am
<u>Altar Servers:</u>	Macy & Carly Reif, Davis Davenport	Carson Severt, Zack Benso, Kaylee Davied
<u>EMHC:</u>	Rachel Ausemus	Marilyn McCracken
<u>Lector:</u>	Teresa Davenport	Ryan Severt
<u>Gift Bearers:</u>	Loretta Bailey family	Dale & Bernadette Coomes

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FATHER AWAY

Fr. Floyd will be accompanying our youth to the National Catholic Youth Conference this upcoming week, so there will be NO MASSES OR ADORATION on Thursday, Nov. 16, or Friday, Nov. 17. Fr. Dwight Birket will be here to fill in for the weekend of Nov. 18 & 19. Please make him feel welcome.

FOOD PANTRY

St. Michael's Church has been by asked by the Girard Ministerial Alliance to have a food drive for the local food pantry. Let's work to fill Father Floyd's little red truck. Items may be left in back of the Church until the end of the month.

KNIGHTS NEWS

The 27th annual Knights of Columbus of southeast Kansas Farm Toy Show will be this Sunday, Nov. 12 at St. Michael's Hall from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be available.

Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets for their Charities Aid Foundation Religious Fund. We receive part of this money back from the KOC State Council to fund our CCD programs. Tickets are \$100 each, or multiple parties can share the cost of a ticket. There will be one \$25,000 winner, one \$6,000 winner, three \$4,000 winners, six \$2,000 winners, and twenty-one \$1,000 winners. Contact Dave Garrett for more information: 724-2743.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

Fiat Ministries is devoted to encouraging young women to answer "yes" to the vocation to which God is calling them. This retreat is an opportunity for young women to ask questions, pray, listen, and open their hearts to the Lord's will. Throughout this weekend of discernment, participants will receive wisdom through prayer, presentations by religious sisters, recreation, and fellowship. Single women, age 18-26 who are seeking to do God's will are invited. Dec 15-17, at the Spiritual Life Center. Cost, \$25, includes meals, lodging and materials. For more info, contact Emily Savage, esavage@stfranciswichita.com.

ST. PAUL'S GROUP MEETING

Our next meeting is Sunday, Nov. 19 at 1pm at the KOC building in Pittsburg. The St. Paul's Group is for single seniors. Hostesses are Sharon Starr, Angie Patterson, and Delores Vulgamore. New members welcome. Call Maxine Conrad 231-7802 for more information or with questions.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred and Marjorie Giefer, Ron Lallemand, Mark LaTurner, Donna Little, Herman Masser, Rosemary

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$3,141.00	\$49,266.85
Children's Offering	\$17.75	\$273.41
Expenses		\$44,487.56
Over / (Under)		\$5,052.70
Building Fund Contributions	\$170.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$89,440.40	

O'Toole, the family of Rhaysa Velazquez Paoni (in Puerto Rico), Howard Peak, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR MS/HS STUDENTS

On Wednesday, Nov 15, guest speaker Brooks Gibbs will be speaking at the Girard High School auditorium to all area youth groups. All middle and high school youth are asked to participate by attending this evening event. Doors open at 6:00pm. There will be NO PSR classes that evening; students are to meet at Shireman Auditorium by 6:15 pm instead.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

Daughters of Isabella will meet Tuesday, November 14 in St. Francis Hall. Audit meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. with pot luck dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by the meeting and concluding with the memorial service. Daughter of the month of October was Jane Anne Beachner. Regent, Linda DeGarmo has the Scholarship applications if any lady needs one for her daughter or granddaughter. November committee Mauricia O'Brien, Rose Harmon, Carolyn Balwin and Fidela Godinez. Come join us for an enjoyable evening!

NO PSR NOV. 22

Please note that there will be no PSR classes on Nov 22; we will be on break for Thanksgiving. Classes resume Nov. 29.

BAKE SALE

Our high school youth attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) this month will have a bake sale this Saturday & Sunday, Nov. 11 & 12 after both masses. This money will help with their expenses for the trip. Please support our youth and chaperones by purchasing some delicious homemade goodies!

CRAFT DAY

Craft day will be the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month from 8:30am until 1:30pm in the parish hall.



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