



# St. Michael Catholic Church

106 N. Western Ave.  
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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



## *From the Pastor*

Several years ago there was a song called "Don't worry, be happy". It was a catchy little tune that spoke of the reasons that we should not let the worries of life get the better of us.

Most, if not all of us, can say that there has been some time in our life that we have had something that made us a little uneasy about life. There are many things that cause worry in life, job, children, family, spiders & snakes, well I might exaggerate a little.

St. Paul, in the second reading says, "I should like you to be free of anxieties". What he says after that implies that we can turn to our faith to help us. He speaks of pleasing the Lord; what better way to be free than to know that we are doing something to make the Lord happy. By simply living our faith, and living with faith, we are fulfilling our own need to find happiness. No, I can not say I am worry free, and I do what I can to live my faith. However, my worries and concerns in life are 'easy' because my faith gives me a different perspective, a different point of view that helps me see the grace that God pours into my life. Faith does not 'cure' or get rid of worries in life, but it does help us to know that God is with us in all of our worries as well as joys in life.

<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  
In case of Emergency: (785) 917-1828

**STAFF** Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney  
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**PARISH WEBSITE:**  
www.stmichaelgirard.com

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

## Mass Schedule and Intentions for Jan. 27 - Feb. 4

Jan. 27	Saturday	4:00pm	Fred Bogina	Arma
		5:30pm	Verdan Davied	Girard
28	Sunday	8:00am	Vernon Hershberger	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard
29	Monday	NO MASS		
30	Tuesday	5:30pm	NO MASS	Arma
31	Wednesday	6:30pm	NO MASS	Girard
Feb. 1	Thursday	8:00am	NO MASS	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	NO Adoration	Arma
2	Friday	7:00am	NO MASS	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	NO Adoration	Girard
3	Saturday	4:00pm	Matt & Troy Schmidt	Arma
		5:30pm	Robert Haderlein	Girard
4	Sunday	8:00am	Fred Bogina	Arma
		10:00am	For the People	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	<u>Next Saturday</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
	2/3/18	2/4/18
	5:30 pm	10:00 am
<u>Altar Servers:</u>	Abi & Carter Doherty	Carson Severt & Kaylee Davied
<u>EMHC:</u>	Carrie Smith	Marilyn McCracken
<u>Lector:</u>	Mary Twarog	Ryan Severt
<u>Gift Bearers:</u>	Mary Ann Lepoglow & Marilyn Bradshaw	Tim & Marilyn Hey

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### FATHER AWAY

Father will be on vacation from Jan. 29 to Feb. 9, so there will be no daily Masses during that 2-week period and no adoration on Feb 1-2 or 8-9. Fr. Bob McElwee will be here the weekend of Feb. 3-4 to offer the masses. Please make him feel welcome.

### 2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Your 2017 Contribution Statements are in the entrance of the Church. Please make sure to pick yours up. Thank you!

### FREE THROW CONTEST

Knights of Columbus #7607 Girard/Arma Council will be holding their annual free-throw contest on Sunday, Feb. 4 at 1:00 pm in the Girard Middle School gym. The contest is open to all boys & girls ages 9 to 14 as of Jan 1, 2018. The winners of Sunday's contests will advance to the district free-throw contest, which will be Sunday, Feb. 11 at the same place and time.

### SOUP & CHILI FEED

St. Michael's Soup & Chili Feed will be Feb. 24 from 5 to 7pm & Feb. 25 from 10am to 1pm. Come join us for fellowship, as well as delicious soup, chili & pie. Free will donations will be accepted.

### DONATIONS FOR BIRTHRIGHT

The Knights of Columbus #7607 Girard/Arma Council will be collecting baby items for Birthright through the months of January and February. There are tubs in the back of both St. Michael's and St. Joseph's churches that you can place items in. Birthright is a free crisis pregnancy center that promotes the right to life of the unborn, and helps expectant mothers with emotional support and practical assistance.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to the children of St. Michael & St. Joseph parishes who celebrated the Sacrament of First Penance / Reconciliation at St. Michael parish on Wednesday, January 24:

Natalie Benso  
Easton Clark  
Regan Oplotnik  
Brayden Reese  
Jaxton Smith  
Gianna Waterman

### DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

All High School youth: registration for the Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (March 10-11) is due now. Please contact Pat Westhoff or Michelle Puckett for registration forms and additional information.

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>		
	Last Week	July 2017 to date
Contributions	\$2,308.00	\$78,462.85
Children's Offering	\$21.75	\$418.18
Expenses - December	\$5,268.99	\$61,188.41
Over / (Under)		\$17,692.62
Building Fund Contributions	\$110.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	\$87,275.26	

### PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Gerald Azember, Mary Ita Brown (mother of Judy Widner), Audrey Casassa, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Donna Little, Herman Masser, Rosemary O'Toole, the family of Rhaysa Velazquez Paoni (in Puerto Rico), Howard Peak, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Marie Pyle, Carter Roberts, Sarah (last name withheld), Hank Smith, Tom Weston, and Judy Widner who are ill or in need of prayers.

### GIRARD'S SESQUICENTENNIAL

Girard will be 150 years old on Feb. 28. There will be a community birthday party at 1:00pm that day at the gazebo on the Courthouse lawn. We will have performances by our youth, a mayoral address, birthday cupcakes and more! Please plan to join us! In case of inclement weather, the celebration will be moved to the GHS gymnasium. We are celebrating the Sesquicentennial throughout 2018 with various events. Learn more at girard150.com or facebook.com/girard150.

### CRAFT DAY

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

### MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass said for a loved one please call the parish office, 724-8717.

### ROSARY HOSPITAL

If you have a rosary that needs fixed, place it in the Rosary Hospital box in the back of church. Please include your name and phone number, in case there are questions. If there are beads or metals missing, I will try my best to match them. Only prayer payment accepted. -Paula Sevart (620) 724-7585.



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