



St. Michael Catholic Church

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Pastor: Fr. Floyd McKinney



From the Pastor

When Jesus said that no one knows when the end of time would be, he sure was right. I have not heard a recent 'pronouncement' that the world is going to end on a certain date; but we can all remember when someone said that the end of the world is going to happen. For us today, while we might be deeply concerned about the growing critical condition of our planet, the real issue of our concern is about the end of our lives. We do not worry about the end of the world so much as we think about our life and eternity.

What Jesus wants to do for us today is what he did for his first disciples. He wants us to not let our hearts be troubled. Jesus knows he will be with us in the midst of everything. He wants us to have confidence that we are never alone. And, he wants us to trust that he has won the victory over sin and death - over every sin; over every death.

The way we can let our faith be deepened is to express our gratitude to our Lord several times each day. We can thank the Lord for being with us - in whatever situation in which we might find ourselves. And, the more we place our trust in the promise of eternal life, the more fearless we can become. We can be courageous. We can face great difficulties, knowing that we will fall into the hands of a loving Savior. This lack of fear, this freedom, makes selfless love so much easier. I don't have to "calculate" what this or that act of love will "cost" me. In fact, Jesus has assured us that the secret to happiness is that we will really find ourselves when we lose ourselves in love.

Let us be confident before the trials and tribulations of our day, placing our lives in his hands.

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
Secretary: Faith Paoni
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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 Nov. 17 - 25

Nov. 17	Saturday	4:00pm	Linda Davied	Arma
		5:30pm	Luke Andrew Walsh	Girard
18	Sunday	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
		10:00am	Ed Walsh	Girard
19	Monday	NO MASS		
20	Tuesday	5:30pm	Francis Buche	Arma
21	Wednesday	6:30pm	John Ziegler	Girard
22	Thursday	8:00am	Harry VanLeeuwen	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
23	Friday	7:00am	Clair Weston	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
24	Saturday	4:00pm	Barb Doue	Arma
		5:30pm	Stan Thomas	Girard
25	Sunday	8:00am	Linda Davied	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Next Saturday	Next Sunday
11/24/18	11/25/18
5:30 pm	10:00 am
Altar Servers:	Camden Leonard & Kaila Karhoff
	Abi & Carter Doherty, Kaylee Davied
EMHC:	Rhonda Stonerock
	Linda Garrett
Lector:	Tony Stonerock
	Denny Heidrick
Gift Bearers:	Steve & Kaye Bradshaw
	Bob & Alice Davied

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PSR SCHEDULE NOTICE

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be NO PSR classes on Wednesday, Nov. 21. Happy Thanksgiving!

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Parents of Confirmation students: a reminder that if you were unable to attend the Parent Meeting on Nov. 7, you will need to schedule an individual meeting for you, Fr. Floyd, and your student. Attendance for all Confirmation classes is mandatory. Please make sure students are attending each Wednesday.

ARMA CANTATA

The Arma Community Choir presents "Christmas Presence", a musical performance featuring selections by Pepper Choplin, conducted by Michael Doue. Performance will be Sunday, Dec. 2, at 6:00pm at St. Joseph Church. Refreshments will be served afterward.

ADVENT RETREAT

Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Pittsburg is hosting an Advent Retreat for Persons with Disabilities on Saturday, December 8 from 1:30 to 5:00pm, followed by Mass at 5:30.

LATIN MASS

The Traditional Latin Mass is held the first Sunday of each month at 11:00am, at the Newman Center in Pittsburg. All are welcome.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Nancy Church, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Jason Diskin, Gary Dowling, Wayne Kanute, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Donna Little, Herman Masser, Jean McClaskey, John Oplotnik, Rosemary O'Toole, Janice Madl Pennewell (daughter of Alban Madl), Alvin Perrin, Bernardine Shively, Edward Luke Walsh, and Tom Weston who are ill or in need of prayers.

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WESTRIDGE ACTIVITIES

Father leads a 'scripture study and sharing' two times a month at the Westridge facility in Girard, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM. If you would like to join us, feel free. On the other Wednesdays of the month, some of our parishioners are present to lead a rosary or other spiritual activity.

BUILDING FUND

The building fund envelopes will remain in the pews so those who wish to continue to help us be prepared for the future may contribute to the cause. We do not have any immediate plans for building, but our buildings do need to be maintained so having the resources is a benefit and a blessing.

COLLECTIONS	Last Week	July 2018 to date
Contributions	\$2,684.00	\$52,586.26
Children's Offering	\$8.00	\$268.55
Expenses		\$53,466.44
Over / (Under)		(\$611.63)
Building Fund Contributions	\$20.00	
Building Fund Loan Balance	-	

SUPPORT FOR MADISON

Madison Smith, daughter of Hank and Carrie Smith, would appreciate your prayers and support as she prepares for her upcoming mission. To follow her experiences, you can read Madison's blog at www.madisonelaine.home.blog. You can also help support her financially by sending donations to Family Missions Co., 12624 Everglade Rd., Abbeville, LA 70510. You can also receive weekly updates and contribute online at www.madisonsmith.familymissionscompany.com. Madison is going into the world representing our parish family, let us support her as she dedicates herself to serving God's children.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

CHRISTMAS HOMES TOUR

The First Christian Church and the Girard Sesquicentennial Committee are pleased to present a Historic Christmas Homes Tour on Sunday, Dec. 2 from 2 to 5:30pm. Join us for a tour of some of Girard's most historically significant homes! Tickets are \$10 each or 5 for \$45 and can be purchased at the FCC, the Girard Chamber office, or from any FCC member. Sesquicentennial Committee member and St. Michael parishioner, Nancy Bauer also has tickets to sell, 724-8533.

KAPAUNS MEN

Kapauns Men meet Friday mornings at 6am in the parish hall. All men are welcome.

SUNDAY ROSARY

Come join us to pray the Rosary on Sunday mornings at 9:30 before St. Michael's Mass for the sick and homebound (Nursing Home Care included) of St. Michael and St. Joseph - and your own prayer requests. Please join us! If you would like to help lead the Rosary on Sunday or would be interested in leading a Rosary before the Saturday evening Mass, please call or text Deanne VanLeeuwen at (620) 238-0504.

TRAVELING CATHOLICS

If you or your loved ones will be traveling this holiday season, you can always find a Catholic Church near you at masstimes.org. You are advised to call the parish in advance and confirm listed mass times are correct.