



St. Michael Catholic Church

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From the Pastor

When someone tells you that you 'have to' do something, our reaction can be different depending on who tells us that command. In the first reading to day, the apostles are being told that they must stop teaching the name of Jesus. Their response is that they need to / must obey God rather than men. For me, one thing that comes out of this reading is the idea that I need to obey the values that have been taught to me by living my faith. I think of our conscience that has been formed in us as we live our faith; that is considering that we have lived our faith. In the Catholic Catechism starting with #1776 we see some ideas on how the Church sees us using the freedom that God has implanted in our being.

"Deep within his conscience, man discovers a law which he has not laid upon himself but which he must obey. Its voice, ever calling him to love and to do what is good and to avoid evil, sounds in his heart at the right moment. . . . For man has in his heart a law inscribed by God."

Under several previous popes we have had examples of bishops claiming to decide for laypeople what their conscience is on particular issues. But most Catholic Christians have recovered some trust in their own conscience. Francis supports this when he says that conscience "is the most secret core and sanctuary of a person. There each one is alone with God."

It is not always easy to make a decision when there are many factors that we need to include in our decision making. **Catholic moral theology promotes the necessity of having an informed conscience.** This means more than following our gut on difficult issues. And it definitely means more than trying to rationalize our own preferences and choices. Cultivating an informed conscience is work of the mind and the heart. May we, like the apostles, look for ways to include God in our decisions.

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

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions for May 4 - 12

Date	Day	Time	Intention	Location
May 4	Saturday	4:00pm	Joe Cizerle	Arma
		5:30pm	Charles Govion	Girard
5	Sunday	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
		10:00am	Ben Bradshaw	Girard
6	Monday	NO MASS		
7	Tuesday	5:30pm	Buche family	Arma
8	Wednesday	6:30pm	Claire Weston	Girard
9	Thursday	8:00am	No Intention	Arma
		8:30am-12:30pm	Adoration	Arma
10	Friday	7:00am	Verdan Davied	Girard
		8:00am-6:00pm	Adoration	Girard
11	Saturday	4:00pm	Frank & Barb Doue	Arma
		5:30pm	Greg Evans	Girard
12	Sunday	8:00am	Bill Harman	Arma
		10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

	Next Saturday 5/11/19 5:30 pm	Next Sunday 5/12/19 10:00 am
Altar Servers:	Zack & Natalie Benso	Isabella Walsh & Makenna Smith
EMHC:	Rhonda Stonerock	Marilyn McCracken
Lector:	Tony Stonerock	Denny Heidrick
Gift Bearers:	Dean & Tonya Davied	Robert & Alice Davied

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MAY CROWNING/8th GRADE RECOGNITION

Congratulations to our 8th grade students as they begin their high school journey. Thank you to all the 8th grade students and families for helping to honor Mary as queen of heaven and earth in our May Crowning ceremony!

Trevor Amershek	Laklyn Arthur
Sara Goble	Brandon Leritz
Luke Niggemann	Jaden Norris
Kaleb Scales	Dawson Stegman

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Please congratulate all of our St. Michael PSR students who had perfect attendance during the 2018-2019 school year. We honor their commitment to faithful attendance!

3rd grade: Easton Clark, Jaxton Smith
4th grade: Elijah Walsh
5th grade: Layla Arthur-Soliven, Aiden Ashbacher,
Gannon Clark, Jocelyn Goff
6th grade: Isabella Walsh, Aydin Sisney
7th/8th grade: Carly Reif
9/10/11th grade: Peyton Amershek, Heston
Kavanagh, Broc Scales, Evan Sisney
11th grade: Kreed Curran, Abi Doherty, Carter
Doherty, Cory Puckett, Carson Severt

SAVE THE DATE: TOTUS TUUS

Totus Tuus week is scheduled for July 7-12, 2019, at St. Michael, Girard. Please mark your calendars for a fun & energetic week at St. Michael's parish hall to participate in Totus Tuus - a parish based summer catechetical program for youth, dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting our faith through evangelization, catechesis, Marian devotion & fun! The program is led by college students and seminarians, teaching and inspiring youth in participating parishes throughout the diocese. Totus Tuus, a Latin phrase meaning "totally yours," was the motto of St. John Paul II and signifies our desire to give ourselves entirely to Jesus Christ through Mary. This is a FREE program, each family is asked to bring a sack lunch daily & a healthy snack like fruit to share the first day of the program. Children in grades 1-6 meet Monday-Friday from 9-3 and youth grades 7-12 meet Sunday-Thursday in the evenings. Enrollment forms will be available in June the back of the church. All are invited to attend the potluck dinner on Wednesday. Parishioners are needed for dinner hosts and to provide lunches for the team.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

Our PSR program is in need of catechists for our Wednesday afternoon & evening programs beginning next fall. Please prayerfully consider assisting in this important parish ministry!

GMA PANTRY NEEDS

The Girard Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry is in need of the following items: canned fruit, jelly, peanut butter, pancake mix (made with water), syrup, cereal, spaghetti sauce and any canned meat except tuna. There will be baskets in the back

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2018 to date
Contributions	\$1,347.00	\$122,719.96
Children's Offering	\$13.35	\$585.63
Expenses		\$96,663.04
Over / (Under)		\$26,642.55
Building Fund Contributions	\$65.00	

of the church to put your items in. Right now they have a lot of canned vegetables, tuna, Ramon noodles, spaghetti and soups. Thank you for your help.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

The Church Women United will meet on May 10, 2019 at 12:00noon. This will be at the Girard Methodist church. Please bring a covered dish to share. All women of the parish are invited.

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Nancy Church, Allie Davied, Gerald Davied, Mary Davied, Jason Diskin, Gary Dowling, Lisa & Jocelyn Goff, Ron Lallemand, Crystal Larmer (Marilyn Bradshaw's sister), Donna Little, Herman Masser, John Oplotnik, Rosemary O'Toole, Bernardine Shively, George Stonerock, Edward Luke Walsh, and Tom Weston who are ill or in need of prayers.

PLAY, LEARNING, FELLOWSHIP FOR LITTLE ONES

Our littlest parishioners and their families are invited to the Hall following this Sunday's mass for a short Sunday School-style activity and some free play. This is for all children from birth through kindergarten age (kind of a Pre-PSR program). Older siblings are welcome. Games, Singing, and Lesson will only take 15 minutes and then you can leave for lunch or stay to play with our floor scooters and balls. The kids have a blast! This is not a drop-off activity; at least one parent or caregiver is required to stay in the hall. If you are not going to Mass on Sunday you are still welcome to meet us in the Hall around 11:00am.

VISITORS FOR SHUT INS

We are looking for a wonderful group of volunteers who are available to visit the sick/shut ins of our parish. We will meet at the Hall after Mass, Wednesday, May 22 at 7:00pm to schedule the next 6 months of visitations.

BULLETIN CONTACT INFO

Please note that my email address has changed. If you have information for the bulletin(s), please email it to: bauerbackes@yahoo.com. Thanks, Nancy Bauer