

St. Michael Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE GIRARD ARMA
Saturday 5:30pm 4:00pm
Sunday 10:00am 8:00am

CONFESSION GIRARD ARMA
Saturday 2:00-2:30pm 3:15-3:45pm
Weekdays before Mass, anytime by appointment

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Fridays from 8:00am to 6:00pm

**Bulletins are being posted on the website once again.

**Quarterly Mass Duty schedule is also posted on the website.

THE TIMELESS INCARNATION

The Christ is not the same as Jesus. Now don't be shocked, don't be scandalized, don't think I've lost faith. Jesus has existed only for 2,000 years. The Christ, the King of the Universe, the pattern of all things, has existed, according to our present understanding of the universe, for 14.6 billion years.

From the best we know through science, the Big Bang is when God first decided to show God's self. That's the original Incarnation, or the Alpha point. We're the first people who ever had a name and approximate date for it. Now our telescopes reveal that this universe is still expanding. After 14.6 billion years it's still moving outward from the first explosion. The Christ is still unfolding, just as Paul said in Romans (8:18-23). Perhaps the Second Coming of Christ is when, as scientists predict will happen, the whole thing stops expanding and in a quick moment everything will implode and return to the Source. . . .

I don't know if this is how it will happen. We don't need to know. Last week's Gospel said this very thing. We don't need to worry about it. It's not our problem. But what we do know is the Alpha and Omega are the same thing. What God revealed as Plan A—the Christ, to reveal who God is in the universe, in creation, in every creature, in everything that exists on this planet and all planets right now—is a revelation of the mystery of God from beginning to end. . . .

That's why, in a moment of time, this eternal Christ mystery came as a person that you and I call Jesus. Creation itself is the timeless Incarnation which we call Christ, and Jesus is the personal Incarnation born in a moment of time when we could begin to understand and love a person. Christianity is the religion which dares to believe this. Do you realize what a daring belief system we have?! Can you really believe that one ordinary looking man, born in a little dusty town in Palestine, is the eternal blueprint of what God has been doing since the beginning of time "in Christ"? That is what we believe when we say we believe in both "Jesus" and "Christ."

Fr. Richard Rohr, *Sick, and You Cared for Me*

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2021 to Date
Contributions	\$ 3,316.31	\$ 62,719.64
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 61,769.93
Over/(Under)		\$ 949.71
Building Fund Contributions	\$ -	

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14 / Rev 1:5-8 / Jn 18:33b-37

Jesus did not usher in the kind of Kingdom the Jews were expecting. In today's Gospel, Jesus says, My kingdom is not of this world." His statement was confusing to Pilate, and his message was blasphemous to the Jews. But today, as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday, we acknowledge Jesus Christ as King of the Universe. He established not a political kingdom, but a Heavenly one. His dominion is infinite, yet His focus is narrow — His focus is YOU and I! He challenges us to give Him reign over our lives, not our lands! In Jesus, we have been given a perfect, righteous, and loving King who wants to sit on the thrones of our hearts. Will you allow it? Will you invite Jesus to reign over your life?

PRAYER BEFORE PREPARING A FAMILY FEAST

Lord, you know all the things that still need to be done—the cooking and cleaning, the preparation and anticipation, the anxiety and worry that everything will be just right. As I prepare this meal, help me also to prepare myself that I may not be distracted by all these concerns. And when you enter this home and sit at this table, may I sit beside you and remember that only one thing is needed: to love you with all my heart, with all my being, with all my strength, and with all my mind, and to love my neighbor as myself. Amen.

-Diana Macalintal, *The Work of Your Hands*



PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Jerry Davenport, Mary Daved, Gary Dowling, Rosemary Gardner, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Jessica Goff, Lisa Goff, Waylon Humble, Tom Kovach, Marita Lopeman, Mary Kay Mason, Herman Masser, Ronnie Michael, Bob Moore, John Oplotnik, David Peak, Betty Purdon, Frank Purdon, Sheila Reif, Tina Ruma, and Dan Wendt who are ill or in need of prayers. Please note that individuals on our prayer list are left on until a request is made to remove them. Requests to be added or removed can be sent to jmscales414@gmail.com. Thank you!

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendars for December 11th at 6:30pm!

We're having a **Wine and Cheese night at SEAS** *sharing the life-changing grace God's pouring out in Medjugorje!* Testimonies will be given from those who took part in this year's **Apostolate of Priestly Consecration's** pilgrimage, whose mission is to **provide priests free pilgrimages** to Medjugorje, and *for whom Bishop Kemme has prayed and offered 42 masses for its success!* We'll have **hors-d'oeuvres and music to celebrate Mary** on this Vigil of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This will also be a **Fundraiser for Priests** with a *Silent Auction with items brought back and blessed by Mary in an apparition in Medjugorje as well as other services and items* - with all proceeds going to help the Apostolate bring priests to Medjugorje and Total Consecration.

3 pilgrimages are planned for both priests and laity during this 40th Anniversary year:

March 16-26, 2022, June 10th - 18th, 2022 and June 20th - 28th, 2022 - with **7 priests already signed up**. So we already have a great need and rely completely on divine providence. All donations are tax deductible.

Please join us and come find out more about Medjugorje, God's rescue plan for our world, where every day for 40 years Mary has reportedly been appearing and giving messages!

To find out more, to donate online, or to sign up for a pilgrimage - see priestlyconsecration.com or email Janet at miraclerosary@gmail.com

ST. PAUL'S GROUP

St. Paul's Group for widows, widowers, and single seniors will meet on Sunday, November 21st, at 1:00. Knight's of Columbus Hall, 11th and Joplin. Come enjoy dinner, bingo, prayer, and friendly companionship. Cost \$8.00. Hostesses: Dorothy Murphy, Mary Bow, and Mary Cashero.

Mass Schedule and Intentions for November 27-28

Nov 20 Sat	4:00pm	Gerald White	Arma
	5:30pm	Charles Snow	Girard
21 Sun	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
	10:00am	Stan Thomas	Girard
22 Mon		NO MASS	Girard
23 Tues	8:00am	Ted Yoakam	Arma
24 Wed	8:00am	Charles Snow	Girard
25 Thurs	8:00am	John Schaub	Arma
		NO Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
26 Fri	7:00am	NO MASS	Girard
		NO Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
27 Sat	4:00pm	John Schaub	Arma
	5:30pm	Charles Snow	Girard
28 Sun	8:00am	Violet Pazzie	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday (11/27/21)	Sunday (11/28/21)
5:30pm	10:00am
Altar Servers: Zack Benso & Seth Wilson	Evan & Quin Sisney
E.M.E.: Makayla Ausemus	Eileen Bland
Lector: Nancy Bauer	Faith Paoni
Gifts: Mike & Kathy O'Toole	Jean Nichols & Jim Senecaut

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