

# 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

**RECTORY HOURS**  
Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-Noon  
Rectory: (620)724-8717  
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**PARISH WEBSITE:**  
www.stmichaelgirard.com

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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**  
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.

## LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

In early July, many parishes in the United States face the question of how much “American” fare to include in Masses around Independence Day. There is a beautiful Collect for Mass on July 4 that reads, “Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace.” Most parishes will also include prayers for the nation in the Prayers of the Faithful. But conflicts sometimes arise over the use of songs like “America the Beautiful,” “My Country ‘Tis of Thee,” and even “The Star-Spangled Banner.” Some Catholics feel it’s fine to pray for the United States, others think that it’s out of place in the context of the Mass.

A deeper question may be this: When we pray for our countries, for whom are we praying? Often the prayers are for civic leaders and the military, both groups that need our prayers. But how often do we pray for the “liberties” of people who are overlooked: the poor and homeless, the immigrants and those with low-paying jobs, the inmates in our jails?

When I was growing up, we started every school day with the Pledge of Allegiance, which instilled a great love of country in me. That famous oath ends with the words “with liberty and justice for all.” *All* means *all*. So on Independence Day and beyond, can we pray that all people, in every country, may be treated with justice? And then act to bring about a world of “righteousness and peace.”

*Fr. James Martin is a Jesuit priest, editor at America magazine, and author of many books, including Learning to Pray and In All Seasons, For All Reasons, a collection drawn from Give Us This Day.*

## COLLECTIONS

	Last Week	July 2021 to Date
Contributions	\$ 1,999.00	\$ 170,258.73
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 134,259.84
Over/(Under)		\$ 35,998.89
Building Fund Contributions	\$ -	

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

On your marks!

*Is 66:10-14c / Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 16,20 / Gal 6:14-18 / Lk 10:1-12, 17-20*

“Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me.” This is a poignant declaration by today’s Psalmist. It hits at the heart of the New Evangelization. Let’s break down the Psalm. “Hear now”—don’t wait for the magic moment, start today! “All you who fear God”—the audience are those disciples, perhaps, who have not been sent or are still waiting and wanting to be called—find one, or two or twelve! “While I declare what he has done for me”—it’s story time! There is just something that draws us in when a personal testimony is expressed from the heart. It brings the power of God to life! Every disciple has a story about why they are following Jesus. What’s yours? Write it down, share it with a trusted friend, run it by a priest! Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel “the harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.” Ready, set, go!

## SERRA IN SOUTHEAST KANSAS

Next meeting is on Thursday July 7th from 6-7pm at 1723 Main Street, Parsons KS. All are welcome. For more information please call Angela at 620-870-9580 or email [vowella@gmail.com](mailto:vowella@gmail.com)

## MIDWEST CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE

“For the Life of the World”. Start a new family tradition by coming to the Midwest Catholic Family Conference August 5-7 in Wichita, KS. Listen to great speakers and take advantage of daily mass, adoration, and a beautiful Eucharistic procession. Save up to \$30 with early bird registration by July 29. Register online at [www.catholicfamilyconference.org](http://www.catholicfamilyconference.org) or call 316-618-9787. Email questions to [info@catholicfamilyconference.org](mailto:info@catholicfamilyconference.org).

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The K of C will meet on Tuesday, July 5th at 7:00pm in St. Michael’s Parish Hall.

## PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Audrey Casassa, Jerry Davenport, Mary Davied, Gary Dowling, Rosemary Gardner, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Jessica Goff, Lisa Goff, Tom Kovach, Marita Lopeman, Mary Kay Mason, Richard Mason, Herman Masser, Ronnie Michael, Bob Moore, Joseph Muia, John Oplotnik, Josie Oplotnik, David Peak, Betty Purdon, Frank Purdon, Tina Ruma, Anna Snow, 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](mailto:jmscales414@gmail.com). Thank you!

## TOTUS TUUS

Let’s welcome the Totus Tuus four-person team with our great St. Michael’s hospitality! They will arrive on Saturday, July 16 and depart on Friday, July 22. During their stay with us they will provide fun activities for our youth and help our youth grow in their relationships with the Lord as they learn about prayer, our Father, and the Luminous Mysteries. We also need volunteers to provide lunches and dinners for the four-person instruction team. Lunches will need to be brought to the parish hall and dinners may be brought there or provided in your home. Getting to meet and visit with these inspirational young adults is always a joy! We are blessed with a parish the size to accommodate these needs with each family only needing to take one one meal or task. There is a sign-up sheet in the entrance of the church or feel free to contact Beth Wilson 620-724-3380 by text or call. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

Permission forms are also available at the church entrance to register your youth. There is no charge, but it would be appreciated if you could send a snack that your child enjoys that will be shared and offered at snack breaks (fruit, package of cookies, chips, crackers, fruit snacks, etc). Our youth are invited to bring friends and share their faith and fun. Students attending Totus Tuus during the day will also need to bring their own lunch. Schedule for classes at the parish hall during the week of July 17-22, 2022 is: 1st-6th grade - 9:00-3:00 Monday-Friday and 7th-high school - 7:30-9:45 PM Sunday-Thursday.



## Mass Schedule and Intentions for July 2-10

Date	Time	Intention	Minister
July 02 Sat	4:00pm	Frances Buche	Arma
	5:30pm	Regina Butler	Girard
03 Sun	8:00am	Pro Populo	Arma
	10:00am	Donna Little	Girard
04 Mon		NO MASS	
05 Tues	8:00am	Tom Tierney	Arma
06 Wed	8:00am	Regina Butler	Girard
07 Thurs	8:00am	Rosemary O’Toole	Arma
	8:30am - 12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
08 Fri	7:30am	Charley Lanzrath	Girard
	8:00am - 5:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
09 Sat	4:00pm	Aaron Kranker	Arma
	5:30pm	Donna Little	Girard
10 Sun	8:00am	Ted Yoakam	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

## Altar Ministers for Next Weekend

Saturday (07/09/22)	Sunday (07/10/22)
5:30pm	10:00am
Altar Servers: Brandon Leritz & Nolan Leonard	Isabella & Elijah Walsh
E.M.E.: Makayla Ausemus	Austin Smith
Lector: Nancy Bauer	Ryan Severt
Gifts: Mark & Katy Karhoff Family	Doug & Kristen Graham Family

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