

St. Michael Catholic Church

106 N. Western Ave. Girard, KS 66743
 (620)724-8717
 www.stmichaelgirard.com



Pastor: Fr. Mike Klag In Case of Emergency: 316-619-5095
Secretary: Faith Paoni **Bookkeeper/Bulletin Editor:** Janel Scales jmscales414@gmail.com

COLLECTIONS		
	Last Week	July 2022 to Date
Contributions	\$ 5,462.20	\$ 155,679.93
Expenses	\$ -	\$ 119,615.81
Over/(Under)		\$ 36,064.12
Building Fund Contributions	\$ -	

Mass Schedule & Intentions for May 27-June 4			
05/27 Sat	4:00pm	Rosemary O'Toole	Arma
	5:30pm	Mary Lepoglow	Girard
05/28 Sun	8:00am	Wally Rons	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard
05/29 Mon		NO MASS	
05/30 Tues	8:00am	Mary Jane Cavanaugh	Arma
05/31 Wed	8:00am	Bernie O'Brien	Girard
06/01 Thurs	8:00am	Ned Sauer	Arma
	8:30am-12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Arma
06/02 Fri	7:30am	Daughters of Isabella	Girard
	8:00am - 5:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Girard
06/03 Sat	4:00pm	Linda Carpino	Arma
	5:30pm	Jim O'Toole	Girard
06/04 Sun	8:00am	Wally Rons	Arma
	10:00am	Pro Populo	Girard

Altar Ministers for Next Weekend		
	Saturday (06/03) 5:30pm	Sunday (06/04) 10:00am
Altar Servers	Marli Sisney & Gabby Graham	Aiden Ashbacher & Easton Clark
EME	Rachel Ausemus	Eileen Bland
Lector	Mary Twarog	Ruth Duling
Gifts	Dean & Tonya Davied Family	Brian & Jill Davied Family

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Liv Anderson, Carolyn Banning, Rick Bland, Kelli Bradshaw, Audrey Casassa, Maggie Casassa, Jerry Davenport, Gary Dowling, Tyler Edwards, Rosemary Gardner, Fred & Marjorie Giefer, Peter Graham, Ron Gray, Denny Heidrick, Tom Kovach, Marita Lopeman, Mary Kay Mason, Richard Mason, Herman Masser, Bob Moore, Joseph Muia, John Oplotnik, Josie Oplotnik, Mary Sayre, Anna Snow, Carly Twarog-Carnes, Dan Wendt, and Grant Wilks 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!

DROPS OF LIGHT

Have you ever had a "more than coincidence" experience – something you "just knew" was a gift from above, a spiritual intervention, or a sign meant for you when you most needed it? *Drops of Light* is the title of an upcoming book; a collection of true, personal, spiritual, "more than coincidence" stories of God's presence in our lives. Please consider sending your own "more than coincidence" stories to a.beasley.pittsburg@gmail.com. Whether short and simple or lengthy and complex, your story should not be dismissed or forgotten. For more information, contact Amber Beasley at the email address above. Thank you!

GIRARD CLOTHES CLOSET

Looking for people to work at Clothes Closet. The Catholics work on Friday. This is NOT every Friday. Hours are 8:00 until 1:00. The more people we have the less days you would work. In a 6 months time you could work only 4 times. Please contact Barb Mikrut at 620-249-9505.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

There will be a Memorial Day Mass at St. Aloysius Cemetery in Greenbush, at 9:30am on Monday, May 29th.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

The next Daughters of Isabella meeting will be on Tuesday, June 13th at St. Michael's Parish Hall in Girard at 6:30pm. Hostesses will be Mary Gilpin, Anna Fern Snow and Pauline (Pat) Davied. All ladies of St. Joseph and St. Michael are invited.

UNCHANGED RULES IN A CHANGING WORLD

We live in a world where things change rapidly. During the first half of my life, you could go to a store, buy an item that you liked and know that a similar one would be there when you again need it. Today, if I purchase a comb that works great for me or a box of cereal that I enjoy, I know when I return to that store, there's a 50% chance that there will be different combs on display and perhaps that cereal will be out of stock. You folks of a certain age know what I'm talking about---we cannot depend on buying that same product the next time we're at the store. In this fast-changing world we live in, we ask ourselves, 'are there any FIXED RULES that we can follow and know they will remain unchanged?' I scanned several religious books of our faith and arrived at FOUR FIXED TRUTHS on living the Catholic faith that we can depend upon.

- 1)The dignity of the individual. There is some of Christ in every one of us. It must be respected and acknowledged by all human beings. Again, this TRUTH is held by people of our faith, not necessarily the entire world, we wish...
- 2)The attitude of dealing with one another with LOVE. You can never go wrong here. St.Paul spoke of the three great virtues of faith, hope, and love. Faith is only temporary, for someday we won't need it. The same applies to HOPE. You will have realized both of these after death. But love, it is the greatest of all virtues. There is a case study of a Mongoloid child--a living vegetable so to speak, who responded to none of the physical attempts by doctors & psychologists. He would just lie there. Yet, when a certain nurse would attend to him---brush his hair, touch his face--he would smile and respond. When the world has lost everything, it will ALWAYS respond to LOVE. And love is something that SO MANY PEOPLE in our world long for desperately!
- 3)There is a larger purpose beyond life. We might as well become accustomed to it and submit to it. We aren't placed here to just 'live', for life isn't put together right for any individual, unless he or she uses it OUTSIDE of himself or herself. Our lives must have PURPOSE or we won't be happy! This is a definite truism of life.
- 4)THE BIG ONE! In all of life, there is something real beyond ourselves. (God) is the major one. We KNOW God is around us & that he made the world. His immensity is too great to go unnoticed: the beauty of a rose, the hand of a baby, the changing seasons. Things just don't fall into place. The universe couldn't have just been 'thrown together' or it wouldn't work so perfectly. Take a broken watch and all of its attachments and toss them across the room. It won't just 'go back together'. It will take a master jeweler to make it tick. Our universe was put together by the greatest of masters--God, Himself! You can definitely say, "there is something real beyond me/" and mean it!

Yes, God, a person, which implies thinking and knowing---created this universe. The term, CREATED, is used loosely today. To CREATE is to make something out of nothing. An artist paints a picture; an author writes a story. They formed their work from things that are already here. Even thoughts aren't created--they come from our senses! God made something out of nothing. Think about that for a while. It is truly amazing. ---Marcel Normand

A LASTING PROMISE

The Office of Marriage and Family Life presents: A Lasting Promise. It is a Friday and Saturday relationship enhancement course that combines what God has revealed about marriage, along with the latest research on relationships, and clear examples from the lives of other married couples who present the sessions. This course will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes, at the SMC Fieldhouse on June 2nd from 6pm-9pm and June 3rd from 7:30am-8:00pm. The cost is \$50 a couple (meals included) and scholarships are available. Register at: www.ollsmc.org. Couples will learn how to: build on existing strengths and add critical life and relationship skills to create safer, more stable marriages * implement life skills using the Speaker/Listener Technique * create fun and exciting milestones together * address the vulnerabilities couples face and how to overcome them. Contact Information: Lori Ann (620) 704-4366.

Totus Tuus: July 9-14, 2023 SAVE THE DATE!

Please mark your calendars for 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 provide lunch for the team each day.

Farmers Bank
 A BRANCH OF GOPPERT STATE SERVICE BANK
 WALNUT | HEPLER | ST. PAUL | GIRARD
 (620)354-6435 (620)368-4311 (620)449-2800 (620)724-4774

O'TOOLE CONSTRUCTION INC.
 LAND IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS
 952 W. 47 HWY GIRARD, KS 66743
 Improve Your Land-Increase Your Worth
 Margaret O'Toole office 620-724-8536
 Ronnie O'Toole 620-632-5165 620-724-2754 c
 Tim O'Toole 620-724-8990 620-238-0430 c

CARPET · TILE · VINYL · HARDWOOD · CABINETS
 FURNITURE · AREA RUGS · MATTRESSES · LIFT CHAIRS · RECLINERS & MORE!
 Locally owned and operated
 in Brazilton KS for nearly 50 years!
DERAILED COMMODITY
 FLOORING & FURNITURE
 EST. 1967 620-395-2141

ESB EXCHANGE State Bank
 108 E. St. John PO Box 187
 Girard, KS 66743 620-724-4911
 Banking with friends!
 Go Mobile www.esbks.com
 Member FDIC

PAINTED BARRELS
 ON · THE · SQUARE
 DECOR · GIFTS · VENDORS · CONSIGNMENT
 127 S. Summit, Girard, KS
www.paintedbarrels.com

BEDENE FUNERAL HOME
 Barry W. Bedene
 517 East Washington
 Arma, Kansas 66712
 (620) 347-4200