

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:**

*Jesus reminds us in today's gospel "a house divided against itself will not stand." Are the tensions and issues which divide your home worth the struggle? Even if you win an argument you lose a relationship. Don't let pride and pettiness divide your home.*

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Monday, June 11**

8:30 a.m. Vincent DeVita +

**Tuesday, June 12**

8:30 a.m. Maurice Brown +

**Wednesday, June 13**

8:30 a.m. Louise Williams +  
6:30 p.m. Sue & Elaine LaRouch +

**Thursday, June 14**

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of  
the Bryan & Stippich  
families

**Friday, June 15**

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of  
the Christen, O'Connell  
& Flick families

**Saturday, June 16**

8:30 a.m.  
5:00 p.m. Laurie Zerante Snider +  
Living & Deceased of  
the Moyer, Devlin,  
Thompson & Mansfield  
families

**Sunday, June 17 - Father's Day**

8:30 a.m. Father's Day Novena  
11:00 a.m. Father's Day Novena  
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:**

**Sunday, June 10**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**Monday, June 11**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, June 12**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
6:00-7:30 p.m. - CATHOLICISM Series in the Parish Hall

**Wednesday, June 13**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
1:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena  
6:00 p.m. - Rosary/Benediction/Mass at 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, June 14**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
12:00 Noon - 5:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00 p.m. - Charismatic Prayer Group Mtg. in the Rectory

**Friday, June 15**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday, June 16**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, June 17 - Father's Day**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

| <u>DATE</u>                            | <u>2017</u>   | <u>2018</u>  |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| June, 1st week<br>On-line: \$ 1,670.00 | \$ 9,729.00   | \$ 6,523.76  |
| # of Envelopes                         | 221           | 190          |
| <b>YTD Totals:</b>                     | \$ 530,411.14 | \$533,529.54 |

**ONLINE GIVING:** On-line giving allows you to make donations while you're away. It's easy and convenient to do. Just visit our website at [www.stgerardchurch.org](http://www.stgerardchurch.org) and click on the tab titled: "On-Line Giving."

**ST. GERARD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:**

**The Scope of the Project:** Our parish is proposing a 3-part building proposal to better serve the needs of our parish and local community and to strengthen our long-term financial viability. This proposal is estimated at \$2.4 million. We are asking our parishioners and friends of St. Gerard to donate a total of \$1.3 million. Our projects are:

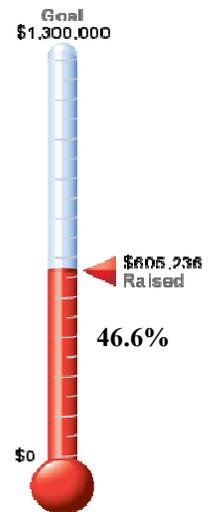
**1. Church Gathering Space:** Our church needs a gathering space. The gathering space will be used for after weekend Masses, baptisms, anniversaries, funeral viewings, and meeting space (i.e. prayer/study groups, RCIA). We propose to seal off our front doors and level out the partitioned walls and floor to create a sizable gathering space including a new handicap-accessible bathroom.

**2. Parish Office Relocation:** The current parish office location is inadequate and difficult for our aging and handicap parishioners (i.e. over a 100 yard walk from the church parking lot). We propose to relocate the parish office to our under-utilized parish hall entrance and small meeting room. This would allow for handicap and general parking in a close vicinity to better serve our parishioners.

**3. Eight Additional Classrooms:** St. Gerard School is in need of more classrooms. We propose to add eight additional classrooms and two bathrooms onto our new school building. St. Gerard Parish has looked at options of renovating our old school building. Estimated renovation costs are \$3.6 million which is financially out of reach for our parish (and this cost doesn't even include the six basement classrooms).

*To help us reach our goal, we are asking every family to participate. Every gift, no matter how large or small, is appreciated. Pledge cards are available in the church and at the rectory or school offices. You may also give online by visiting our website at: [www.stgerardchurch.org](http://www.stgerardchurch.org) and clicking on the On-line Giving tab. Please, prayerfully consider supporting this most important project.*

**CAPITAL  
CAMPAIGN**



**\$605,236.00  
pledged!**

***Thank you to all who have turned in your pledge card.  
If you haven't, please do so as soon as possible.***

# SPIRITUAL GROWTH



Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.

~ Anthony of Padua

**Feast of St. Anthony of Padua  
is June 13th**

AZ QUOTES

## CATHOLICISM - FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM:

Journey around the world and deep into the faith. With creator and host Father Robert Barron, you will learn what Catholics believe and why while being immersed in the art, architecture, literature, beliefs and practices of the Catholic tradition. The **CATHOLICISM Faith Formation Program** brings the beauty, goodness and truth of the Church to life so that you can better understand and share your faith.

We meet every Tuesday from 6-7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Join us for one or all of the sessions. There is no cost to attend. Call Melinda at 567-242-8748 if you have any questions.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Adoration hours at St. Gerard are 12-5pm every Thursday. Come and experience some quiet, personal time with the Lord.



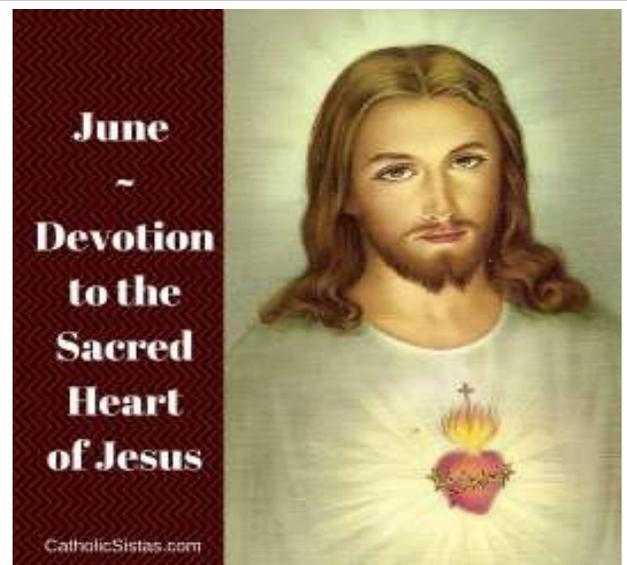
## Holy Father's Prayer

### Intentions for June:

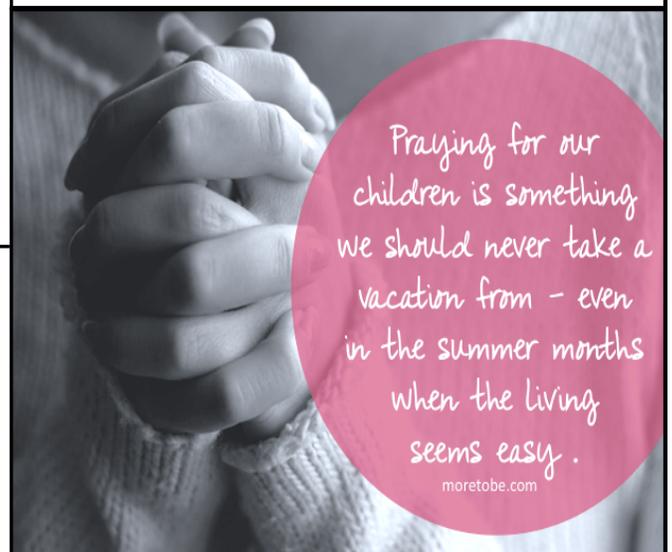
**UNIVERSAL:**

### *Social Networks*

*That social networks may work toward inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.*



**JUNE** - Month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Praying for our children is something we should never take a vacation from - even in the summer months when the living seems easy.

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## St. Gerard Festival ~ June 1-2-3



### **2018 ST. GERARD FESTIVAL** **RAFFLE WINNERS:**

**Thanks to all who sold tickets and  
also those who purchased tickets.**

**The lucky winners were:**

- \$10,000 – Jim Kuhn
- \$1,000 – Carmen Helsel
- \$1,000 – Theresa & Mitchell Hoffman
- \$1,000 – Jake Davisson
- \$1,000 – Dan McNamara
- \$1,000 – Tony Sroufe
- \$500 – Rebecca Vagedes
- \$500 – Tom Krouse
- \$500 – Tom Doorley
- \$500 – Mike Gast
- \$500 – September Camps
- \$500 – Sharon Cole
- \$500 – Brent & Heather Dawson
- \$500 – Lucy Garland
- \$500 – Tom Ayers

### **THANK YOU!**

*Another successful festival has come to a close. We feel very blessed to have such dedicated parishioners and volunteers who chair and work our festival. It is amazing to see the transformation of our grounds the week before and after the festival. We cannot thank enough all of our parishioners who baked items for the cake wheel. Did you know that we had over 2500 items donated to the cake wheel and made over \$11,000 profit?! How amazing is that? Thanks to all of our volunteers who spent countless hours working at the festival. If it wasn't for our volunteers, our festival would not happen. We also want to thank the entire Lima community for coming out and supporting our festival. A special thanks to all of you who were praying for the success of our festival ~ it just may have been a record setting year! The weather was perfect too. Thank you everyone!*

### **FATHER'S DAY CARDS:**

Father's Day cards are available at the exists of church. There is a beautiful card to give to your father, as well as an envelope for your donation to the Novena of Masses that will be offered for all fathers ~ both living and deceased. Please return them in the collection basket or to the rectory office. Thank you.



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, June 16:**

5:00 p.m. *C. Diaz, B. Muskus, B. VonLehmden,  
K. Canavan, J. Stewart, C. Hinds,  
M. Hinds, W. Peebles, M. Hinegardner,  
Mike Hinegardner*

**Sunday, June 17:**

8:30 a.m. *L. Hahn, M. Meyer, R. Orwick, B. Pinney,  
C. Altenbach, S. Ellinger, M. Hickey,  
M. King, J. Sroufe, T. Sroufe*

11:00 a.m. *C. Coleman, T. Meyer, J. Neville,  
D. Vondrell, G. Vondrell, S. Dew,  
R. Karbowiak, K. Wreede, K. Ladden,  
J. Landwehr*

**LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:**

**June 16:** 5:00 p.m. - *J. Wolff*

**June 17:** 8:30 a.m. - *T. Parker*  
11:00 a.m. - *S. Silone*

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:**

**June 16:** 5:00 p.m. - *B. Smith, N. & H. Chambers*

**June 17:** 8:30 a.m. - *S. & A. Parker, A. Fay*  
11:00 a.m. - *K. Meyer, G. Sutton, M. Sutton*

**SACRISTY WORKERS:** *P. Azzarello (Pls. volunteer)*

**ONE DAY BUS PILGRIMAGE:**

A one-day bus pilgrimage to Blessed Solanus Casey Center and Sainte Anne de Detroit Church, Detroit, Michigan on July 18, 2018 will leave Kalida K of C parking lot at 7am and return at 8:30pm. Cost is \$70. Included is a tour of the Center, confession, Mass, lunch, a Healing Service followed by a tour of Sainte Anne de Detroit, the second oldest continuously operating Catholic parish in America.

Fr. Solanus Casey, a native of Wisconsin, Capuchin friar, and known as "Detroit's Miracle Worker" was recently beatified in Detroit with 70,000 people in attendance. By his gentle, cheerful example, he taught others to have that same trust in God. Visitors flocked to the humble monastery doorkeeper, seeking physical cures, his wise advice, and spiritual renewal.

Deadline is July 1, 2018. Please contact Rita Borgelt at 419-532-3637 or [hborgelt@bright.net](mailto:hborgelt@bright.net) for more details.

**SUNDAY MORNING HEALTH CENTER:**

**Blackberry:** Nutritional Value: 1 cup of blackberries contains 60 calories and 8 grams of dietary fiber. Blackberries are also a good source of vitamins C and A, as well as minerals like calcium and iron.



Blackberries contain an antioxidant known as anthocyanin which can lower the risk of developing strokes and prevent cancer.

Blackberries also contain other antioxidants known as polyphenols which prevent cardiovascular disease and osteoporosis. Blackberry extract has also been shown to inhibit the growth of lung cancer cells.

Did you know? In ancient times, blackberries were used to treat gout and they were called "gout berries." Have you eaten your blackberries today?

**"THE VIRGIN MARY'S LAST HOME ON EARTH":**

Bill Quatman, President of The American Society of Ephesus, Inc. is presenting "**The Virgin Mary's Last Home on Earth.**"

No, it wasn't in Jerusalem.

After persecutions broke out there against the Apostles, including the beheading of St. James, all of them left Jerusalem to begin their missions. St. John, the beloved disciple, made his way to Ephesus in Asia Minor (today Turkey). St. Paul spent three years in Ephesus, and wrote his letters to the "Ephesians" after nearly causing a riot in that city. Did the Apostles leave Mary behind, alone in Jerusalem? St. John tells us that after Christ entrusted Mary to his care at the foot of the Cross, "*from that hour, that disciple took Her into his own home.*" The home was discovered in 1891 in Ephesus by Lazarist priests in a fascinating search using "visions" of a German nun, Blessed Anna Catherine Emmerich. Come hear the compelling story of the house, it's amazing discovery and the million Christians and Muslims who make pilgrimages there each year. You won't forget his compelling story. All are invited.

**The event will be held on Thursday, June 21st from 7-8:30 in the Great Hall at LCC.**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:**

Gear up for five days of super-hero training where kids discover their strength in God! St. John's, Lima, will be having VBS June 11th through June 15th in St. John's Hall, 8 am until noon each day. Registration forms are available in the rectory office. See you there.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Beginning June 4th, our parish office hours will be:

***Monday - Thursday  
8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
Closed on Friday***



**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:**

The school office will be open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. through the month of June.

**SUMMER PURSE**

**Thursday  
June 21st**



**at the K of C in Lima on North Cable Rd.  
Doors open at 5pm • Bingo at 6:30pm  
Tickets - \$35 per person includes 20 games of Bingo plus buffet supper (5-6:30pm) plus snacks • cash bar  
Reserved tables for 8 are available  
Designer purses • Raffles • Auctions • 50/50 & More  
For tickets call 419-223-0761 or 419-234-6730**

***A portion of the proceeds to benefit  
The Equestrian Therapy Program***