

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

*In today's gospel, Phillip worried about "enough food" for the crowd. What is **ENOUGH**? When does our **ENOUGH** deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less. Can you family live more simply so that other families can simply live?*

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, July 30

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 31

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 1

8:30 a.m. Janet Funni +

6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 2

8:30 a.m. Deceased of the
Nungester, Sliemers &
Wukusick Families +

Friday, August 3

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of
the Kenneth Spangler
Family

Saturday, August 4

8:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m. Louis Acerro +

Sunday, August 5

8:30 a.m. Bob & Peg Good +

11:00 a.m. Ryan Cira +

Mary Celeste Christoff +

1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, July 29

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

Monday, July 30

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, July 31

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 1

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, August 2

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, August 3 (First Friday)

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

4:00-5:30 p.m. - First Friday Devotions

Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament with confessions

Saturday, August 4 (First Saturday)

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 5

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

WEDDING BANNS:

Matthew Metzger & Shelly Mooney, III

Michael Weber & Marlene Miller, I



FINANCIAL REPORT

Due to an early bulletin deadline, no financial report is available this week.

ONLINE GIVING:

Going on vacation? Please use online giving to catch up on your offertory gifts. Go to www.stgerardchurch.org and click on the online giving link - it's quick and easy!

ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH



ST. ALPHONSUS MARIA de LIGUORI ~ FEAST DAY AUGUST 1ST

(Founder of the Redemptorists,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church,
Patron of Moralists and
Confessors)

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST:



UNIVERSAL:

The Treasure of Families ...

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasure of humanity.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

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

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Gerard has 1st Friday devotions this month on Friday, August 3rd from 4-5:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions?

1st Saturday is August 4th - join us for 8:30 a.m. Mass with rosary following.

8 WAYS TO PRAY DURING ADORATION

- READ SPIRITUAL BOOKS
- ASK FOR INTERCESSION
- OFFER A HOLY HOUR
- WRITE A PRAYER JOURNAL
- PRAY SPONTANEOUSLY
- ASK THE SAINTS FOR HELP
- READ THE SCRIPTURES
- MEDITATE

CatholicLink

ST. GERARD SCHOOL NEWS:

Pre-K Registration



St. Gerard School still has openings in our Pre-K class for the 2018-2019 school year. Students must be 4 by August 1st. St. Gerard Pre-K is a 5 star rated through the Step-Up to Quality Program. There are a limited number of scholarships still available. If you are interested in enrolling your child or have any questions, please contact the school office at 419-222-0431.



******If you are making a payment towards your Capital Campaign***

Pledge, please be sure your envelope is clearly marked. Thank you.***

 **Summer Office Hours**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

During the summer months, our 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 closed the month of July, however, they will be checking their voice mail for messages.

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS:

Please be aware that we are ***NO LONGER*** accepting Campbell Soup Labels. We have discontinued this fundraiser. Thank you.

Have you made your pledge to our Capital Campaign? If not, it's not too late. No gift is too large or too small.

ROSARY AND MASS AT OUR LADY'S GROTTO:

During the summer on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m., Rosary and Mass will be held at the Grotto of Our Lady on the west lawn of St. Gerard Church. Rosary will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Mass at 6:30 p.m. Chairs will be available, but feel free to bring your own lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, services will be held in the church. Come spend a summer evening with Our Lady and others who love her.



ST. GERARD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:

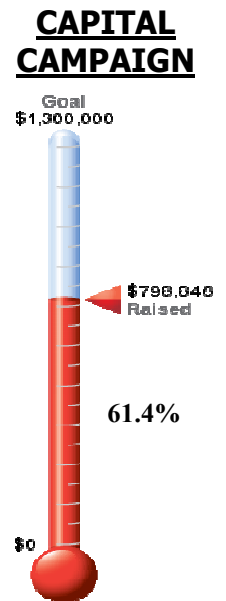
The Scope of the Project: Our parish is proposing a 3-part building proposal to better serve the needs of our parish and local community and to strengthen our long-term financial viability. This proposal is estimated at \$2.4 million. We are asking our parishioners and friends of St. Gerard to donate 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 and clicking on the On-line Giving tab. Please, prayerfully consider supporting this most important project.



**\$798,846.10
pledged!**

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, August 4:

5:00 p.m. *K. Canavan, M. Hinegardner, B. Flynn,
S. Tschuor, S. Parker, B. Peebles,
M.J. Miller, M. DeVita, J. Wolff, K. Smith*

Sunday, August 5:

8:30 a.m. *S. Ellinger, M. Hickey, N. Jenkins,
M. King, P. Huffman, G. Merkel,
R. Orwick, L. Dodge, J. Korzan, S. Martin*

11:00 a.m. *F. Mansfield, V. Carter, D. Warner,
J. Neville, M. Ayers, R. Ayers, S. Dew,
R. Carder, T. Meyer, R. Vagedes*

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

Aug. 4: 5:00 p.m. - *C. Schmenk*

Aug. 5: 8:30 a.m. - *T. Parker*
11:00 a.m. - *K. Wreede*

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

Aug. 4: 5:00 p.m. - *D. Dawson, K. LaRotonda,
G. Langhals*

Aug. 5: 8:30 a.m. - *J. Hahn, E. Hahn, C. Raines*
11:00 a.m. - *L. Wreede, A. Dackin,
A. Carter*

SACRISTY WORKERS - AUGUST:

Volunteers needed!

FATIMA, USA:

The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein will commemorate Our Lady's apparition and message at Fatima on Friday, August 10 at 7:30 p.m. Fr. Alexander Witt, ordained in 2017 and parochial vicar of Holy Trinity Parish, Coldwater, Ohio will celebrate the Mass. There will be confessions and a candlelight rosary procession. All First Communicants are welcome to join in the procession in their attire. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating and dress appropriately. Come join us for this Fatima Celebration!

HEARTBEAT OF LIMA CHARITY CAR

SHOW:

Heartbeat of Lima is having their Annual Car Show on August 11th at Tom Ahl



Family of Dealerships. Pre-registration by July 23rd includes car entry, car show shirt, dash plaque, lunch (drink, chips & hot dog) all for \$20. Open to all vehicles & cycles. Over 20 awards and top 3 "Best of Show" and "Kid's Choice Award." Many raffle items as well as family fun and a jump house. All proceeds benefit Heartbeat of Lima. For more information, call Trevor Howery at 419-371-0290 or email him at trevorhowery@tomahl.com.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MEXICO PILGRIMAGE:

Join Fr. Ron Schock and Toledo pilgrims as we travel to Mexico Nov. 28th through Dec. 4th to learn the nation's vibrant Catholic cultural heritage. We will visit three apparition sites: Our Lady of Guadalupe (viewing the miraculous tilma of St. Juan Diego), Our Lady of Ocotlan, and the Shrine of San Miguel del Milagro where St. Michael the Archangel appeared to Diego Lázaro. In addition to the many stunning - beautiful Mexican Catholic shrines, we will experience Teotihuacan, the most visited archeological site in Mexico, the Pyramids of the Moon and the Sun and the Quetzal-Butterfly Temple. Cost is \$2249 per person. Deadline for registration is August 20, 2018. Contact Maggie at 419-290-8782 or email her at Maggie@catholicfaithjourneys.com to register. Feel free to visit their website to learn more @ www.CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Mexico2018.



Lima Central Catholic Class of 1973 presents
for our Classmates "THE GATHERING 2018"
(aka our 45th Class Reunion)

Fun, Festivities, Food, Friends, Fantastic Music, Fabulous Door Prizes and a 50/50 drawing to
"FUND the 50th"

Saturday, August 4th

FUN and FESTIVITIES begin at 5:00 pm (Cash Bar)

FOOD served at 6:00 pm (Buffet Dinner by Milano Cafe)

\$40.00 per person

K of C Hall, 810 S. Cable Road, Lima, OH

Located south of L.C.C....Use the drive just past Happy Daz....The K of C Hall is the building at the back of the lot.

Visit with FRIENDS and listen to FANTASTIC MUSIC performed by our talented classmates

This is a VERY CASUAL event aimed at generating funds for our 50th Class Reunion

FABULOUS Door Prizes and 50/50 drawing

Visit "Lima Central Catholic Class of 1973" on Facebook for updates

Write "LCC 1973" on memo line of your check or money order, make payable to Patricia Briggs and mail to:
Patti Briggs, P.O. Box 5312, Lima, OH, 45802, OR local classmates can drop off payment to:
Groamy's, 1206 W. Robb Ave., Lima, OH. Payment must be received by July 27th

Additional copies of this flyer are available at Groamy's



As a fundraiser for our class treasury, we invite ANYONE
who appreciates FANTASTIC LIVE MUSIC to join us from
8pm – 11pm to celebrate "THE GATHERING 2018".

\$5.00 cover charge starting at 6pm.

Come listen to the music of some very accomplished artists, a *class*
act we are calling "THE '73 ALL-STARS". This group of our
classmates features two of the finest guitar players to ever come
out of Lima: Rick Vandivier and Ed Csibi!

The musical talents of "The '73 All-Stars" began "jamming" in the late 1960s as junior high school students. They have continued to perform together off and on throughout the years, sometimes as a group, sometimes as members of various other groups. For some, it is their life's work. Have you ever heard of *Ruby Darkness*, *Probable Cause*, *BMW*, *T.S. Eliot*, *Someones Kids*, *Acoustic Groove*? Some of the members of these bands are our classmates, our very own "The '73 All-Stars". They have captivated audiences locally at *Square Fair*, *Rally in the Square*, *Concerts in the Park*, and many area establishments including: *Milano Cafe*, *Mulligans*, *Acheson's at the Lake*, *The Elks*, *The Eagles*, *The American Legion*, and *The Moose*, and soon the *K of C*. We even have a classmate who played *Carnegie Hall*! Now "The '73 All-Stars" are reuniting again for a very special performance at our 45th Class Reunion. We invite you to join us in what is sure to be a memorable evening of fun and great music as we "Fund The 50th", THE GATHERING 2023.

We look forward to seeing you there!

The Gathering 2018 Committee

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!