

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:**

*In today's gospel the rich man died and was condemned to "a place of torment" because he ignored the poor. He asked Lazarus to go and warn his five brothers to change their ways. Evidently ignoring the poor was a family pattern. Is your family sensitive to the poor?*

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Monday, September 30**

8:30 a.m. Fr. Dave Beck +

**Tuesday, October 1**

8:30 a.m. David Steinbrunner +  
Melba LaRoche +

**Wednesday, October 2**

8:30 a.m. Robert Wagner +  
6:30 p.m. Rick & Ryan Young +

**Thursday, October 3**

8:30 a.m. James Bogner +

**Friday, October 4**

8:30 a.m. Dan Walsh +  
Dan Sunderhaus +

**Saturday, October 5**

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the  
Moyer, Devlin, Thompson & Mansfield families  
5:00 p.m. Irene & Ralph Peebles +

**Sunday, October 6**

8:30 a.m. Pete Leugers +  
Kathleen Coffee +  
Living & Deceased of the  
Recker & Mauceri families  
11:00 a.m. Vincent DeVita,  
Katherine & Lorenz  
Ganshirt & Ida Ganshirt+  
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:**

**Sunday, Sept. 29**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
9:00-10:30 a.m. - RCIA classes in the Cafeteria  
9:30-10:45 - Parish School of Religion Classes in the Parish Hall  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**Monday, Sept. 30**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, Oct. 1**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
7:00-8:30 p.m. - Bible Study in the Parish Hall

**Wednesday, Oct. 2 - Mass at 8:30 a.m.**

1:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena  
6:00-6:30 p.m. - Confessions

**Thursday, Oct. 3**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
12:00-5:00 p.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Friday, Oct. 4**

Mass at 8:30 a.m. - **Right to Life Rosary to follow Mass  
4:00-6:00 p.m. - First Friday Devotions with confessions**

**Saturday, Oct. 5**

Mass at 8:30 a.m. - Rosary immediately following Mass  
11:00 a.m. - Blessing of Animals near Risen Christ Statue  
4:00-4:30 p.m. - Confessions  
Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, Oct. 6**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
9:00-10:30 a.m. - RCIA classes in the Cafeteria  
9:30-10:45 - Parish School of Religion Classes in the Parish Hall  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass  
3:00 p.m. - Healing Mass  
6:00-7:30 p.m. - Youth Group Meeting in the Parish Hall

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
September, 3rd week On-line: \$1,371.00	\$ 9,863.46	\$ 9,274.07
# of Envelopes	253	244
<b>YTD Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 124,911.85</b>	<b>\$ 123,524.31</b>

**ST. GERARD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:**

As many of you know, we have now completed Phase I and Phase II of our Building Project. Now we are focused on securing the contract for the addition of classrooms to our school. Together, we can make this a reality!

To help us reach our goal, we are asking every family to participate. Every gift, no matter how large or small, is truly appreciated.

Pledge cards are available in the church or at the parish & 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.



**\$934,311.10**

**Goal: \$1,000,000.00**

*Thank you to all who are supporting this building campaign.*

**PLEDGES TO DATE**

Amount Pledged:	\$934,311.10
Amount Paid:	\$737,144.50
Outstanding Balance:	\$197,166.60

**PRIESTS CONVOCATION/  
SCHEDULE CHANGE:**

Our priests will be attending their Convocation the week of October 14th through October 18th. Due to their absence, all weekday Masses, and most related services will be cancelled. We will, however, have Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday. Please keep our priests in your prayers.

**BLESSING OF  
ANIMALS:**



In honor of St. Francis, our annual Blessing of Animals will take place on Saturday, October 5th at 11:00 a.m. Please gather with your pets near the east entrance of Church near the Risen Christ statue. All pet owners and their furry friends are invited.

*The Feast of St. Gerard  
will be celebrated at the  
11:00 a.m. Mass on  
Sunday, October 13, 2019*



*Come celebrate our  
Patron Saint!*

# SPIRITUAL FORMATION



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## **HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR**

### **OCTOBER:**

"Spring" in the Church ~ that the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.



During the month of October, we will recite the rosary 30 minutes before the weekend Masses. Please join us!

## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

The Toledo Diocese 40 Days for Life Campaign starts September 25-November 3.

Join together in committing to a daily rosary for this important cause.



## **FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

According to the words of Christ through St. Margaret Alacoque, there are 12 promises to those who practice the 1st Friday Devotions:

1. I will give them all of the graces necessary for their state of life
2. I will establish peace in their houses
3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions
4. I will be their strength during life and above all during death
5. I will bestow a large blessing upon all their undertakings
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source & infinite ocean of mercy
7. Tepid souls shall grow fervent
8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection
9. I will bless every place where a picture of My Heart shall be set-up and honored
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts
11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be blotted out
12. I promise the gift of final penitence to those who receive the Eucharist on the First Friday in nine consecutive months

**RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS):**

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults into the Catholic faith. RCIA is for anyone who:

- Is a non-baptized adult.
- Baptized in another Christian Church and is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, with or without the intention of becoming a member.
- A baptized Catholic who never received Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation.

***RCIA is held on Sundays from 9-10:30 a.m. in the Cafeteria Building.***

**MEET OUR**



**NOVICES:**

Each week we will feature one of our Novices that are residing in the Rectory.

**Let's meet Joseph Nguyen:**

Joseph is 21 years old and calls Portland, Oregon his home.

His interests include playing sports (especially basketball), drawing and working with arts & crafts. He also enjoys spending time reading.

He states that his most interesting job is what he is currently doing now . . . being a Novice!

While he is here he hopes to love God more; to love others more; and to discern his vocation.

When you see Joseph, be sure to say hello and welcome him to St. Gerard!

**CURSILLO:**

Cursillo will have an Ultreya get-together at 7:00 p.m. on TODAY, September 29th, in the St. Charles Gathering Space on the south side of the church located on the corner of Elm Street and Cable Road in Lima. Those who have attended a Cursillo weekend and any other interested persons are invited. Please bring a snack to share!

**FAMILY DAY:**

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, OH invites you to come for the annual Family Day today, Sept. 29th. Mass at 11:00 a.m. in the Basilica, followed with a free lunch served in the Shrine Cafeteria. At 1:30 p.m. there will be Devotions along with an outdoor Rosary procession. All are welcome! For more information, call the Shrine office at 419-396-7107 or [www.olcshrine.com](http://www.olcshrine.com).

**PRAYER CLOTHS:**

Prayer cloths are available at the parish office.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, Oct. 5:**

5:00 p.m. *C. Hinds, D. & J. Hollingsworth,  
M. DeVita, W. Peebles, J. Stewart,  
B. VonLehmden, J. Wolff, S. Urban,  
G. Gandy*

**Sunday, Oct. 6:**

8:30 a.m. *P. Huffman, J. Sroufe, T. Sroufe,  
V. Nguyen, J. Nguyen, D. Ho, L. Hahn,  
S. Ellinger, J. Korzan, G. Merkel*  
11:00 a.m. *S. Morrissey, D. Warner, S. Young,  
D. Vondrell, F. Mansfield, G. Vondrell,  
T. Meyer, C. Coleman, F. Gallegos,  
J. Landwehr*

**LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:**

**Oct. 5:** 5:00 p.m. - *D. Bilbrey*  
**Oct. 6:** 8:30 a.m. - *M. Hickey*  
11:00 a.m. - *S. Cira*

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:**

**Oct. 5:** 5:00 p.m. - *M. Chambers, J. Yahl,  
H. Lamb*  
**Oct. 6:** 8:30 a.m. - *D. Martin, E. Martin, A. Dackin*  
11:00 a.m. - *A. Carter, C. Raines, B. Dahill*

**SACRISTY WORKERS - October**

*J. Blackburn, J. Wolff, L. Dodge, M. Hickey,  
L. Curry, M. Dew, S. Dew*

**USHERS SCHEDULE:**

**Oct. 5:** 5:00p.m. - *D. Hollingsworth, R. Yahl*  
**Oct. 6:** 8:30 a.m. - *G. Merkel, B. Hahn, B. Polser*  
11:00 a.m. - *D. Ladden, R. Blevins,*

**"PLEASE LET  
ME LIVE LIFE  
CHAIN":**

Sunday, October  
6, 2019 from 2:00-  
3:00 p.m. Meet at the corner of East Second  
and Pierce Streets in Delphos. Rain or shine.  
Thank you for supporting life.



**ALLISON PALOOZA "A PAY IT FORWARD  
EVENT":**

Allison Palooza is a  
fund-raising event  
helping two breast  
cancer warriors  
from the Lima area.  
It will be held on



Saturday, October 19th at the LCC Gym/  
Common area. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.  
Featuring Sam Glenn, "The Attitude Guy"  
recently named one of the Top 100 Best  
Motivational Speakers today. Tickets are  
\$25.00, \$15.00 for students which includes hors  
d'oeuvres and can be purchased by calling  
Diane at 567-204-2699. Cash bar will be  
available. This is an annual event honoring  
the memory of Allison (Lee) Buehler.

**HEALING MASS:**

St. Gerard Parish will offer a Healing Mass on Sunday, October 6th at  
3:00 p.m. invoking the intercession of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos,  
a Redemptorist priest who lived and worked in America. He is known for his  
powerful intercession for the sick. The Healing Mass will include the Anoint-  
ing of the Sick and a Blessing with the relic of Blessed Seelos. Many miracles  
of healing of both body and spirit have occurred through his intercession.  
This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation. All are invited to come.



*Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos*  
1819 - 1867  
Redemptorist Missionary  
Memorial - 5 October



## TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!

### Attention Ladies!

Gather your family and friends for an evening of fun.

*St. Gerard School* is hosting a

### ***Ladies Night Out Designer Purse Bingo***

on Saturday, Oct. 19th with Bingo beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$35 each and are available for purchase now in the school and parish offices. Ticket price includes 20 games of Bingo, door prizes and a light meal.

Silent auction basket chances, 50/50 raffle and alcoholic beverages are available for an additional cost.

It promises to be a fun filled evening.

***Hope you can join us!***



### **OLPH SPIRITUAL BOUQUET CARDS NOW AVAILABLE:**

We now have Spiritual cards available in the rectory for sending to your family and friends who are celebrating a birthday, have lost a loved one or are in need of healing. They are enrolled and will be remembered in a Mass on the first Friday of each month for one year. You can mail the beautiful card to the recipient and then mail your donation and name to the Redemptorist Fathers. Stop by the parish office if you would like one.

### **CHESS BOARDS:**

St. Gerard School is starting a Chess Club and are looking for some donations of chess boards. If you have a board that you are willing to donate, please drop it off at the school office. Thank you!

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