

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

In today's gospel, the disciples were returning home so "downcast" they did not recognize Jesus walking with them. In our homes we can be so overwhelmed with responsibilities we don't see God with us. Today's gospel tells us to stop and open our eyes to the blessings we are to one another.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 27

8:30 a.m. -

Tuesday, April 28

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Wednesday, April 29

8:30 a.m. -

Thursday, April 30

8:30 a.m. -

Friday, May 1

8:30 a.m. - People of St. Gerard
Parish

Saturday, May 2

8:30 a.m. -

5:00 p.m. - Terry & Dan O'Brien +
Joe Barnes +

Sunday, May 3

8:30 a.m. - Rosie & Ralph Sroufe +
Mary Lyle +
Carmen Hardesty +

11:00 a.m. - Dick Gibson +
For the Living & Deceased
of the Kaple & Becker
Families

1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, April 26

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Online only)
9:00-10:30 a.m. - NO RCIA classes in the Cafeteria
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FINANCIAL REPORT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
April, 2nd week On-line: \$ 2,061.50	\$ 11,854.15	\$ 12,841.50
# of Envelopes	284	171
YTD Totals:	\$ 452,190.21	\$ 439,839.00

During this time of uncertainty, we ask that you please continue to support St. Gerard Church by sending in your weekly offertory donations, signing up to give online or consider giving a monthly donation. Thank you.



ST. GERARD PRAYER REQUESTS:

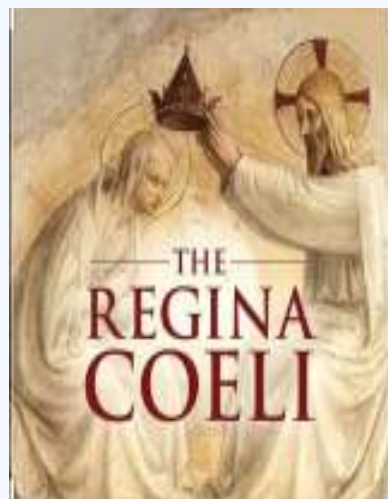
Requests for prayers, or if you would like to become a prayer warrior, email your request to: stgprayerchain@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 419-224-3080. A team of prayer warriors will pray daily for all the requests for 30 days.

Requests for prayers are kept confidential and last name need not be given.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL:

Freedom from Addiction:

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.



THE REGINA COELI translates to Queen of Heaven

This prayer celebrates Jesus' Resurrection and is used as a hymn of Joy during the Easter Season. It replaces the Angelus as a daily prayer, from Easter to Pentecost.

Queen of Heaven, rejoice. Alleluia.

For He, whom thou was worthy to bear. Alleluia.

Has risen as He said. Alleluia.

Pray for us to God. Alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.

Because the Lord is truly risen. Alleluia.

O God, Who by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has been pleased to give joy to the whole world, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER DURING COVID 19:

Loving, ever-living and compassionate God, You understand the pain of loss, the heartache of bereavement,

May we hold in our hearts all those whose families or friends have died.

You are a light that shines in the darkest times,

Guide us and heal us in our sickness and sorrow.

You comfort us in times of fear,

May we comfort each other, even as we keep apart.

You console and lead us in times of doubt and confusion,

May we follow the light of your love and spread hope.

You move our hearts to acts of generosity,
May we be led to share what we have with those in need.

God of life,

We thank you for the signs of your light in the midst of our darkness,

May we be signs of your compassion in the heart of your world.

Amen.

Prayer: Linda Jones-CAFOD



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PRAY

Daily Rosary with Dr. Tim Gray

Divine Mercy Chaplet with the Franciscan Friars

Watch Daily Mass video

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Dedicate 1 hour of television time to FORMED



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FORMED Live: Bible Studies

Sunday Mass live at 10am, recording available

Learn from Augustine Institute professors in the Faith at Home Collection!



INDIVIDUAL PRAYER:

Just a reminder that our church is open from 9:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday for Individual Private Prayer.

VIDEO STREAMING:

Is your family taking advantage of watching Mass online with us? We hope your family is joining us and participating in the Mass. Our webcam is on 24 hours a day.

FACEBOOK:

Social media is so important at this time in our lives. If you have not checked out our Facebook page, please do! Just look up St. Gerard Church and be sure to like us! Brother Dan shares a beautiful daily reflection each day on our facebook page. You will also find and updates concerning St. Gerard on this page.

ONLINE GIVING:

On-line giving is a great alternative to using your envelopes. It's easy to sign-up and you can do so by going to our website at: www.stgerardchurch.org and click on the on-line giving tab.

- **Safety.** In times when there are concerns about exposure to disease or spreading of a virus, Online Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission.
- **Forget your envelope?** Use Online Giving to keep up on offertory. Go to our church website and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.
- **Make giving easier.** Visit your church website on your mobile device, click the Online Giving link, and begin giving.
- **Manage gifts.** Another easy way to manage your church giving is with Online Giving. You can manage your giving or give a one-time gift right from your phone.

Your support during the year helps sustain our church.

**** Please note that the Parish Office is open from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.****

ST. GERARD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:

PLEDGES TO DATE

Amount Pledged: \$986,758.52
Amount Paid: \$853,157.01

Outstanding Balance:
\$133,601.51

Goal: \$1,000,000.00

Only \$13,241.48 to go before we reach our goal!

Thank you to those who have sent in their envelope or dropped them off to the Parish Office. We have also had a nice increase of parishioners sign-up for online giving! We greatly appreciate it!

If you would like to mail in your offertory contributions, please send them to:

**St. Gerard Church
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