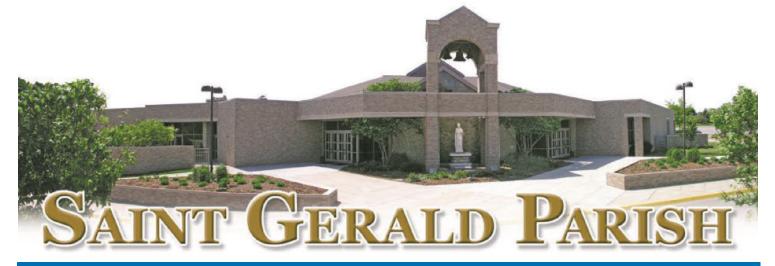
December 26, 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



SAINT GERAD CHURCH 9602 Q ST.-OMAHA, NE 68127 LAKEVIEW CHAPEL 7859 LAKEVIEW ST.-RALSTON, NE 68127 WWW.STGERALD.ORG ENCOUNTERING JESUS - MAKING DISCIPLES - TRANSFORMING LIVES

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CC

<u>Masses</u> <u>Church - 96th & Q</u> Sat 5:00pm Sun 8:00am, 10:00am and 12 Noon

Daily 12:15pm (M-F)

Chapel - 78th & Lakeview St. Sun 7:00am Daily (M, T, TH, F) 6:45am *Wed Mass is currently for school personnel only Daily (Sat) 8:15am

Live Stream: <u>stgerald.org/live</u> Sat 5pm and Sun 10am

<u>Reconciliation</u> 96th & Q Mon-Fri: 12:00-12:15pm Sat: 3:00-4:30pm Lakeview M, T, Th, F: 6:30-6:45am Sat: 8:00-8:15am

<u>Ministry to the Sick</u> If you, a relative or friend are hospitalized or shut-in (short or long term) please let us know by calling the parish office.

<u>Registration in the Parish</u> If you attend St. Gerald then it is important that you register. You can do this via the website: <u>stgerald.org</u>. If you have any questions, please contact the business office 402-331-1955.

<section-header><section-header>

sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47 Parish Office 7859 Lakeview St. Phone: 402-331-1955 Fax: 402-339-8733 Email: office@stgerald.org Hours: M-F 7:30am-4pm Website: www.stgerald.org School 7857 Lakeview St. 402-331-4223 Pastor...Fr. Mark Nolte Associate Pastor...Fr. Marcus Knecht Deacons & their Wives Fred & Marie Abboud George & Deb Butterfield Lonnie & Mary Dinneen Steve & Angie Luna Doug & Carol Marsh Rick & Debby Melrose Wayne & Angie Reed John & Patty True Business Administrator...Charlie Hoover Principal...Christy Keenan Director of Music Ministry...Teresa Paal Director of Evangelization & Discipleship...Mark Nelson Coordinator of Evangelization & Discipleship...Jenny Wiswell Coordinator of Evangelization & Discipleship...Deacon George Butterfield Parish/School Accountant...Jim Steele Development Coordinator...John Yochum Parish Secretary...Connie Farrell Parish Building Facilitator...Brian Barnes Volunteer Head Sacristans... Pat Seier (96th & Q), Judy Morrison (Lakeview)

Baptisms

You must be a registered parishioner and attend a baptism class. This class is held the second Wednesday of every month. A registration form can be found on the website or in the kiosk at church. **The form MUST be completed and turned in the Monday before the Baptism class.** If not turned in by this deadline, you will need to attend the class the following month.

Marriage

According to the Archdiocesan guidelines and to ensure adequate preparation for this very important Sacrament, **you must make arrangements at least six (6) months ahead of the Marriage date.** Please complete the registration form found on our website. Special instructions are required for any Catholic party under 19 years of age. No date can be set for this marriage. A Civil Marriage License should be obtained two weeks in advance of marriage. To set a wedding date here at St. Gerald Catholic Church, you must be a registered parishioner.

Family Formation: K-8

Children of the parish are supplied with Family Formation either in our 5-day school or in our Family Formation Program. Regular and sustained Family Formation is a life-long process. Parental support at home for their children's religious formation includes attendance at the Sunday Eucharist, prayer at home, and support of the catechetical program of their choice. Parishioners who homeschool are encouraged to visit with the Family Formation Director about their children's preparations for the sacraments.

Victim Assistance

To report sexual abuse by any member of the clergy or an archdiocesan employee: go to www.archomaha.org/safe-environment/victimassistance or contact Mary Beth Hanus at 402-827-3798 or mbhanus@archomaha.org



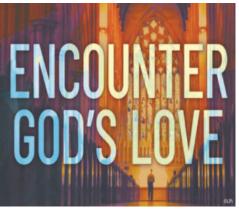
We would like to wish all of our parish family a very Happy New Year!

The business office will be closed December 31st.



School of Prayer The January 1st School of Prayer has been canceled.

We will begin the Saturday sessions again in February.





On the **First Friday of the month** the 12:15pm Mass will be available for

you via Live Stream. Thanks to Mark Huse for stepping up to help make this possible!

You're Invited to the Omaha Mens Conference



Bart Schuchts From NFL dream to encountering the Father's dream

MEN'S CONFERENCE

Bart Schuchts is the founder of Church on Fire and has been associated with the John Paul II Healing Center since its inception.

Bart grew up in a Catholic home yet drifted away from God while in college. Following a desperate plea to God while sitting in an NFL locker room, Bart had a powerful encounter with the Father's love that transformed his life forever.

Bart travels the country presenting at conferences and retreats, bringing thousands into an intimate and powerful encounter with the Father's love, transforming lives, and equipping people to live more fully into Christ's mission.

Bart is married to Brooke and they have four children.

A pastor summed it up well when he said: "Bart is one of the most passionate men for God that l know... His heart is for people to live into the fullness of who they are Called to be."

Get more info or sign up at OmahaMensConference.com





Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Saturday, Dec. 25 (Christmas Day): 8:00am, 10:00am and 5:00pm (96th & Q) Sunday, Dec. 26: 7:00am (Lakeview), 9:00am and 11:00am (96th & Q)
Friday, Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve): Normal Friday Mass schedule. No vigil Mass Saturday, Jan. 1 (New Year's Day-Mary, Mother of God): 9:00am (96th & Q)

**5:00pm Mass on Christmas Day fulfills either your Christmas obligation or Sunday's obligation, but <u>not</u> both.

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Day) is <u>not</u> a holy day of obligation this year. Confessions will be as usual on Saturday, Jan. 1 3:00-4:30pm (96th & Q)



O Come Let Us Adore Him Eucharistic Adoration HOLIDAY Hours

<u>New Year's:</u> December 29 (Wed) and December 30 (Thur). <u>we WILL have</u> <u>Adoration at our regularly scheduled times.</u>

New Year. New Goals. New Hope. Try Alpha!

What are your hopes for 2022? Where is God inviting you to grow? Alpha is a dynamic course that allows you to explore the questions around faith and meaning in a friendly, casual, and engaging way. Men and women of all ages are invited to join for 11 weeks as we unpack the essentials of the Christian faith, ask deep questions, connect faith and life, listen to one another, and enjoy new friendships. People who attend Alpha are all across the faith spectrum, but finish Alpha with a renewed relationship with God, a deeper hunger to serve him, and a new faith community to support their faith!

When: For 11 Sunday nights, starting Jan. 23, from 5:30-7:30pm

Where: St. Gerald Fellowship Hall

What: Meet new friends, share a meal and dynamic video through the Alpha Film Series, and break into small groups for authentic discussion on life's most important questions. No cost and childcare is available

Try something new for your life in 2022! Try Alpha! Check out our website to learn more or register at <u>http://stgerald.org/</u> <u>alpha</u> or email <u>stgeraldalpha@gmail.com</u> for any questions.

ICE MELT <u>SHOULD NOT BE USED</u> ON THE SIDEWALK AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE due to the new concrete

YEAR END TAX PLANNING & GIVING

As we approach the end of 2021, don't forget to keep your St. Gerald Parish Community in your thoughts. If you are considering year end contributions, our parish has opportunities for you to review, including:

Gift to St. Gerald Church General Fund
Gift to Father Foster Memorial Fund
A directed gift to a project at our church or school

- Memorial Gift in the name of a Love One

We are blessed that YOU are helping us *Build the Kingdom of God* here at St. Gerald Catholic Church & School. Call John Yochum, Development Coordinator, at the parish office (402-331-1955) if you would like to discuss any opportunities.

Thank You!





ST GERALD SCHOOL

January 4 - School Resumes

<u>Winter Weather Policy</u> If St. Gerald Catholic School is closed due to inclement weather, there will be no 6:45am Mass at the Lakeview Chapel <u>and</u> the business office will be closed as well.



The 24th Annual St. Gerald Guardian Angel Dinner and Auction "Sit Down for the Fun(raiser)" will be held on February 26, 2022 in the St. Gerald School Gymnasium from 6-9pm. This is our parish

community's largest fundraiser!

There are many ways to participate... Donate! Serve! Attend!

- **Donate:** The committee is in need of cash donations and donations of items for the live and silent auction. Visit <u>stgerald.org/</u><u>guardianangel</u> for our wish list of auction items.
- Serve: There are many volunteer opportunities before, during and after the event.
- Attend: Ticket information will be coming soon. Attendees will be able to enjoy games, cocktails, dinner, and silent and live auctions. Mark your calendar to attend a fun night out!

Want to donate, serve, attend, or have questions? Please contact Molly Diamond, 402.301.4480, <u>diamondmj1202@gmail.com</u> or John Yochum, 402.331.1955 jyochum@stgerald.org.

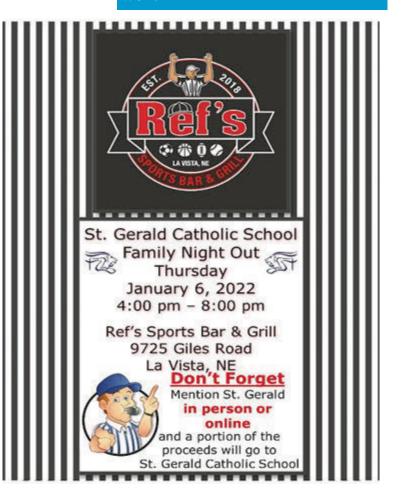


Do you have one hour a week to spend with Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist? We have openings available for a Perpetual Adorer for the following time:

Thursdays 10am to 11am

If you are available to fill this time, you may sign up at <u>https://adorationpro.org/</u> <u>geraldne</u> (Weekly Commitment); or email us at <u>stgperpetualadorer@gmail.com</u>.

Questions? Call Mary at 402-320-0047 for more information.





Altar Server Training Current 5th-8th Grade January 3rd - 1:30-3pm January 8th - 1:30-3pm 96th & Q Please contact Marge Harman if you are interested at <u>marge.harmware.net</u> or text 402-917-4626.

Please let her know which training session you will be attending.

Why become an altar server? You will meet other parishioners and make new friends, you will learn more about the Mass, allows you to get involved in the community, and it will help to discern your vocation. Please join us!



If you or a loved one has been hospitalized, please let us know because we do not always hear from the individual hospitals. Please call the business office if you would like to have a

visit made. We have a wonderful hospital ministry that would love to reach out and offer the medicine of prayer. You can call the business office at 402-331-1955.

With Sympathy

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Thomas Hearty and Judith English (mother of parishioner Bob English). May their souls and all of the souls of the faithfully departed

through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Sunday Missals are still available at the business office and at 96th & Q. Cost is \$5

WEEKDAY MASSES FOR DEC 27-JAN 1				
Mon 12/27	6:45am - Chapel	† Bonnie Miller		
	12:15pm - Church	† Kolenda & Labanowski Families		
Tues 12/28	6:45am - Chapel	† Johnny Kinsella		
	12:15pm - Church	+ Kim Staroscik		
Wed 12/29	6:45am - Chapel	SI For the Poor Souls		
	11:00am Waterford	† Don & Mary Fucinaro		
	12:15pm – Church			
Thur 12/30	6:45am - Chapel	† Marc Cizek		
	12:15pm - Church	+Carrie DeSantiago		
Fri 12/31	6:45am - Chapel	+ Walt Bernady		
	12:15pm - Church	† Gregg Rueschoff		

The Epiphany of the Lord

Sat 1/1	9:00am - Church	Fr. Knecht	† Caroline Murante
	4:00pm - Chapel	Byzantine Liturgy	
	5:00pm - Church	Fr. Gary	† John Furlong † Steve Nelson † Jeff Lane
Sun 1/2	7:00am - Chapel	Fr. Soltys	† Angeline McCarthy
	8:00am - Church	Fr. Knecht	St Gerald Parishioners
	10:00am - Church	Fr. Gary	† Jerry Yarpe
	12:00pm - Church	Fr. Knecht	SI St Vincent de Paul

RENEWED Starting the New Year right



Alive and Well Young Adult Scripture Study

Discover that God is alive and well, active in your life, as you prayerfully explore His Word with other young adults. Find that God is actively helping you become stronger in your faith and grow in virtue.

He is with you as you face the week. We gather at 96th & Q on Sundays: 3-4:30pm.

Bring your Bible or something to follow along with the Sunday Mass readings. We end each session by saying how we will apply these readings to our lives throughout the week.

12/24 & 12/25 Chr

Knights Corner

Join the Knights by visiting <u>www.kofc.org/</u> join

12/24 & 12/25 Christmas Parking Lot security 1/14 & 1/15 Knights Retreat 1/15 Poker Tournament 1/15 & 1/16 One Rose One Life collection 1/20 Knights Mass 7PM 96th (all welcome) followed by Meeting 1/21 & 1/22 Men on Fire Conference 96th/Q 1/23 Free Throw Contest 1/29 Pulled Pork Drive thru dinner (tentative)

A new parish directory is coming in January!



Our last directory is SO outdated, and it is time for a new one. We want everyone to get a new picture taken so that our new directory will be complete - IT WON'T BE

COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU! **The photo dates are Jan 18-22 and Jan 25-29, 2022.** Please make your appointment online by going to our website: <u>stgerald.org</u> and click on the link. You can also sign up on Face Book or Flock Notes. **Families with 7+ members, please complete 2 consecutive time slots.** We will be following COVID guidelines for your safety.

Here is what you will get for helping us make the directory a success:

- FREE 8x10 portrait for participating families (choose your portraits immediately following your photo sessions via ZOOM)
- FREE directory for participating families
- Specially priced portraits and frames (credit cards accepted)
- 10% discount for seniors 65 and over Any questions, please contact: Jean 402.516.5846 - John 402.213.1358 - Kathy 402.658.4477.

We also need volunteers to help greet families as they come for their photo session. If you can help, please stop at the sign-up table in the back of church after weekend Mass. Or contact any of the three committee members listed above. Thank you for helping with the parish project.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who served in our Alpha ministry this fall! We had over 60 guests finish our Alpha courses that were held at St. Gerald and the Nebraska Brewing Company. So many graces were shared at our celebration of people being blessed with a new or deeper relationship with Christ, new friendships, a clearer sense of mission, and peace of mind and heart.

It takes many sacrifices to run Alpha well and we are SO thankful for the service and support from our Alpha meal team, childcare providers, and our small group team members. Thank you also to all our St. Gerald parishioners who provided food for our weekly meals. Your "YES" to love and serve our Alpha guests have changed lives!

Our new 2022 Alpha begins January 23! Please see our website at <u>www.stgerald.org/Alpha</u> for information or to register!





December 26, 2021



