

February Newsletter

February 15, 2024

We love because he first loved us.

John 4:19

The window to order hot lunches for March is open
Feb. 18th-25th!



Parent Teacher Conferences

We are looking forward to seeing many of you this afternoon & evening at parent teacher conferences! Conferences are today, Feb. 15th, in the afternoon (12:00-2:30 p.m.) and evening (5:00-7:30 p.m.)

Last Call for St. Gerard Financial Aid!

The link to the application for Financial Aid is here:

<https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3YZNQ>

All applications MUST be completed by March 1, 2024 to be eligible for Diocesan aid. Anyone who wishes to be considered for financial aid from St. Gerard Parish must also apply using this link.

Kindergarten RoundUp

On Thursday, April 18, 2024 we will hold an informational meeting on kindergarten for incoming kindergarten parents. Additional information is sent home to preschool families from Mrs. Gracik.

On Thursday, April 18th there will be no school for kindergarten students only. See you then!

Registration Packets for Next Year

Please complete the forms sent home and return to school as soon as possible. Thank you!

REMINDER

There will be no Waverly buses Tuesday, Feb. 20th through Friday, Feb. 23rd!



Dates to Note for the 2024-2025 School Year

The calendar is in the works for next school year~ however it will take a few months to finalize as dates are still coming in from the Diocese in regards to staff professional development, and routines we will iron out. Here is what we do know right now:

The first day of school will fall in the week of August 19, 2024; the exact date that week is TBD.

Spring Break will be March 31-April 4 2025.

Be Prepared for Cold Weather

Please make sure your child(ren) is prepared for outdoors with the cold weather. Our students go outside to recess daily as well as before and after school. Children should have coats, hats, gloves,

snow pants, and boots. Please label your child's items as well to make it easier for the classroom teacher. Students only remain indoors when the wind chill temperatures are zero degrees or below.

Mileage Club

Thanks to our amazing volunteer, Bridget Melinn, we will have Mileage Club again this year for all kindergarten through sixth grade students. Watch future communication for more details to come. Thank you to Bridget for all your hard work!

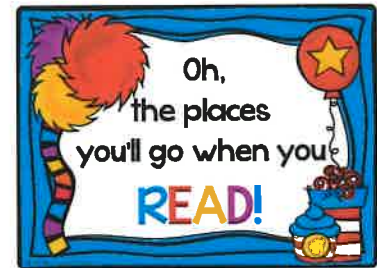
Service Project: Fundraiser for Hannah's House

Girl Scout Troop 30152 is hosting a fundraiser to raise money for Hannah's House in Lansing! Next week between Feb. 26th-Feb. 29th, students are encouraged to bring in donations. The classroom with the most donations brought in will win a Girl Scout Cookie Party on Friday, March 1st! See the flier in your communicator today for additional details.

March is Reading Month

If you are interested in helping support our 2024: March is Reading Month, we could really use your help! Please check out our [Amazon Wish List](#) and our [Sign Up Genius](#) to find ways to donate and volunteer to make this year's, "Reading Out of this World," a success! Thanks for helping make the month of March a magical time of year for our St. Gerard kiddos!

Please email bbecht@stgerardlansing.org if you have any questions!



Technology Tip



Digital Skills and Parent Tips

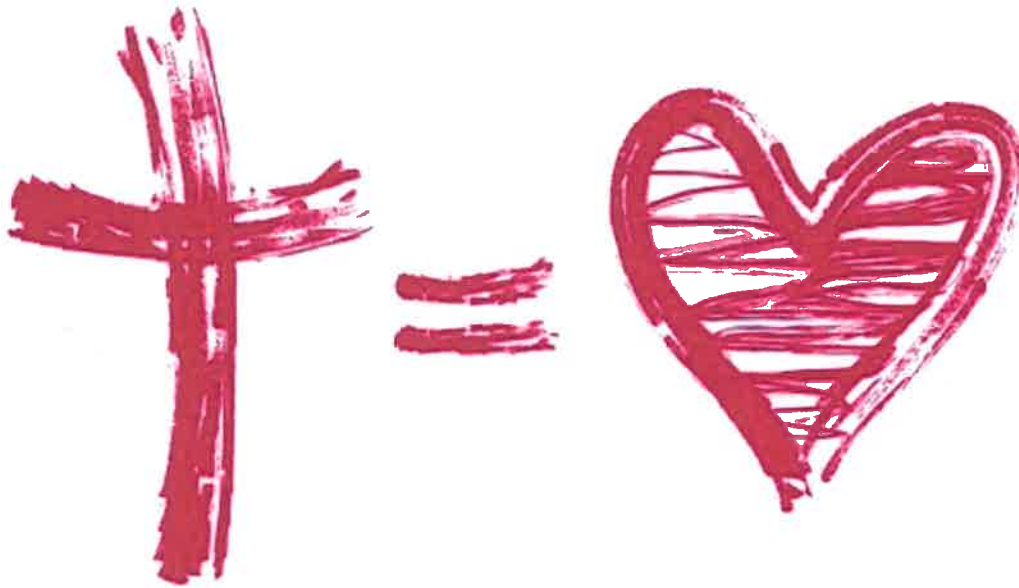
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Upcoming Dates

- Thursday, 2/15: Parent Teacher Conferences 12:00-2:30 & 5:00-7:30
- Friday, 2/16: NO SCHOOL; Child Care open
- Monday, 2/19: NO SCHOOL; Child Care closed
- Tuesday, 2/20-Friday, 2/23: No Waverly Buses AM or PM!
- Saturday, 3/2: Second grade parent/child workshop for First Eucharist 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- Sunday, 3/3: 4th-8th grade choir @ 9:00 mass
- Monday, 3/4: NO SCHOOL, Staff Professional Development Day; Child care open

- Wednesday, 3/6: Book Fair (students to go during the school day) & Staff floor hockey event PM with Book Fair
- Thursday 3/7: 6th grade visit to LCHS for musical "My Fair Lady"
 - Book Fair for preschoolers
- Tuesday, 3/12: 5th grade visit to LCHS 12:00-1:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, 3/13: 3rd grade field trip to the Capitol
- Friday, 3/15: NO SCHOOL; Staff retreat day; child care open
- Tuesday, 3/19: Preschool New Family Registration 6:00 p.m.
- Friday, 3/22: End of 3rd quarter
 - No Waverly Bus AM or PM

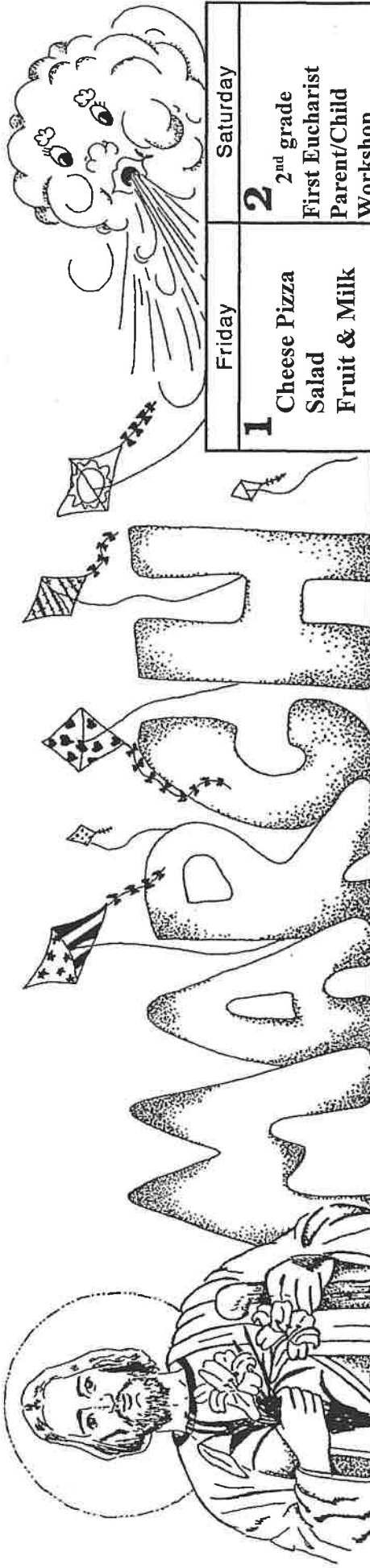


St. Gerard School, in partnership with family and church, provides a Catholic education that focuses on faith, academics, and service while living and sharing the light of Christ.

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Sara Wade

Sara is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Choir 4 th -8 th 9:00 am Mass	4 NO SCHOOL Diocesan PD Day Child Care Open	5 Hot Dog Chips Carrots & Dip Fruit & Milk Book Fair	6 Scrambled Eggs Breakfast Meat Hash Brown, Muffin Fruit & Milk Book Fair/ Hockey Event	7 Chicken Nuggets Potato Smiles Vegetable Fruit & Milk 6 th gr. field trip Book Fair	1 Cheese Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk	2 2 nd grade First Eucharist Parent/Child Workshop 10:30-11:30 am
10	11 Mac & Cheese Dinner Roll Vegetable Fruit & Milk	12 Hamburger/ Cheeseburger French Fries Vegetable, Fruit & Milk 5 th gr. field trip PTO mtg. 6:30 pm	13 Blueberry Pancakes Sausage, Yogurt Fruit & Milk 3 rd gr. field trip	14 Pepperoni Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk	15 NO SCHOOL Staff Retreat Child Care Open	16
17 St Patrick's Day ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH 18 th -25 th	18 Sloppy Joe Chips Cheese Stick Fruit & Milk	19 Chicken Tenders French Fries Vegetable Fruit & Milk	20 Breakfast Burrito Muffin Hash Brown Fruit & Milk	21 Chicken Sandwich French Fries Vegetable Fruit & Milk	22 NO AM & PM BUS Cheese Pizza Salad, Fruit & Milk End of 3 rd qtr.	23 ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH
24 DON'T FORGET TO ORDER APRIL HOT LUNCH	25 NO AM & PM BUS Spaghetti Salad, Fruit, Milk Garlic Bread	26 NO AM & PM BUS Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Goldfish, Fruit & Milk	27 NO AM & PM BUS Waffles Sausage Yogurt, Fruit & Milk	28 All School Mass Holy Thursday NO AM & PM BUS Pepperoni Pizza Salad, Fruit & Milk	29 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL Child Care Closed	30
31 HAPPY EASTER! Choir 3 rd -8 th gr. 11:00 am						

G. GILLESPIE



Win A Cookie Party!

FUNDRAISER FOR HANNAH'S HOUSE OF LANSING



What is Hannah's House?

Hannah's House is a Christian organization that helps pregnant young women who are in need of housing. Hannah's house helps them learn how to take care of the baby, and helps them get back onto their feet!

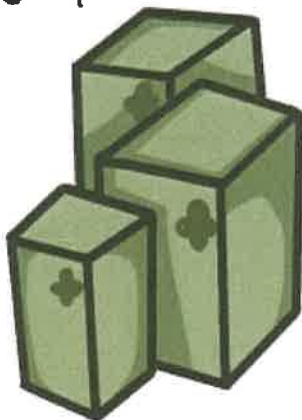
How do I participate?

Bring in Money!

When? February 26-29

Whichever class brings in the most money gets a Girl Scout cookie party!

100% Of donations go to diapers and baby wipes for Hannah's House.



Hosted by Girl Scout Troop 30152

ST. GERARD FACULTY HOCKEY GAME

**IT'S
GAME
TIME!**



**MEET UP WITH YOUR FRIENDS
AND CHEER ON OUR
ST. GERARD STAFF!**

MARCH 6TH 2024 / 6:00PM

**THIS EVENT SUPPORTS THE 8TH
GRADE WASHINGTON DC TRIP!**





ST. GERARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL

LANSING, MI

2024 St. Gerard Athletic Commission Golf Outing

WHEN: Saturday May 11h, 2023

- Registration and Donuts at 8:00 A.M
- Shotgun start 9:00 A.M

WHERE: Ledge Meadows Golf Course - 1801 E Grand Ledge Hwy

WHY: To benefit Athletic Programs at St. Gerard Catholic School

COST: \$70 per golfer / \$280 per team (**NOTE: Max of 72 golfers for this event**)

FORMAT: Four-person scramble

Lunch will be served at the turn. Many **PRIZE** holes will be featured; including a special mystery hole!

Team Captain: _____

Team Captain Phone / Email: _____

Player 2: _____

Player 3: _____

Player 4: _____

Return completed registration form with payment to the parish office by May 3rd.

Please make checks payable to St. Gerard Athletic Commission

Questions? Contact Ashley Crosser at ashleysimrau@gmail.com



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LANSING, MI

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Saturday May 11th– Registration and Donuts 8:00 AM– Shotgun Start 9:00 AM

Ledge Meadows Golf Course, 1801 E Grand Ledge Hwy

Sponsorship Information

Proceeds will support the St. Gerard Athletic Program. Sponsors can be corporate or individual/family.

The St. Gerard Cup Hole-in-One Sponsor: \$1000.00

- *Free Golf Team for Outing*
- *Recognition on the hole*

The Masters: \$500

- *Signage at registration, breakfast, and lunch*
- *Recognition on the St. Gerard Athletic Commission Facebook page*

The Open: \$300

- *Signage at registration and breakfast*

The PGA: \$100

- *Signage on hole*

Sponsor Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Sponsorship amounts enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to St. Gerard Athletic Commission and return to the school or parish office – Attn: Athletic Commission – by May 3rd.

Questions? Contact Ashley Crosser at ashleysimrau@gmail.com

Middle School Youth Group

For all 7th & 8th Grade Students

Wednesday
February 21, 2024
6-8pm Youth Room

To sign up, follow
the QR code



WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP!

March 3rd | 7-9PM | Parish Hall

**Starting March 3rd, 8th graders are welcome
to attend High School Youth Group!**

No Registration Required, just show up!

What is Youth Group? Youth Group is a group of teens that gather every Sunday night from 7 – 9 p.m. to build on their relationship with God. At Youth Group we play games, play music, EAT FOOD, get to know each other, as well as pray together. All through which we grow closer to each other and God. Since 8th graders are getting geared up for High School, they are now welcome to come to Youth Group starting March 3rd.

**Other Events Youth Group
Participates in:**

Mission Trips
Retreats
National Conferences
Camping Trip
Michigan's Adventure
Lock-Ins



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Website

www.stgerard.org/youth-ministry

**Troop 30709 on behalf of
Delta Township Girl Scout
Invites you to our 2024 Charity**

TAYLOR SWIFT THE ERAS TOUR

DANCE PARTY

**Thursday February 22, 2024
6pm-8pm**

**St. Gerard Parish Hall
Lansing, MI**

**VIP Guest Entry: \$7 per girl &
Bring a new or gently used toy for donation**



*Let's
Party*

D.J service provided by: D.J Hot Chocolate



2024 SPRING YOUTH

COED SOCCER



DELTA TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION

SIGN UP

ONLINE:

www.deltami.gov/registration

IN PERSON:

7710 W. Saginaw Hwy
Lansing MI 48917

DATES

Registration Deadline:
3/29

(\$10 Late fee after 3/29
if space permits)

Practice begins:

Week of April 15th. Once
a week Monday - Thursday
from 5:30 - 6:30 OR 6:30
- 7:30 pm. Times/days
determined by volunteer
coach.

*No practices for the Itty
Bitty Kickers program.

Games:

Saturdays beginning April
27th and runs for 6
weeks. Itty Bitty Kickers
runs for 5 weeks. (No
Memorial weekend)

Coaches Meeting:

Wednesday, April 10th,
6:00 - 7:00 pm. Delta
Township Administration
Bldg. Room A (7710 W.
Saginaw)

LEAGUES OFFERED

All groups are recreational in nature,
introducing the basics of soccer while
having fun! Scores will not be kept.

(AGES ARE AS OF
4/27/24)

Itty Bitty Kickers will use 4x4 rules and a
size 3 ball

3 year old

Micro leagues are played on a smaller field
with no goalies. Coaches will officiate games.

4 year old

5-6 year old

Traditional leagues play on larger fields
with goalies. Referees will officiate all
games.

5-6 year old (6v6)

7-8 year old (7v7)

9-10 year old (8v8)



FEES: Itty Bitty Kickers

\$30 residents

\$35 non-residents

Micro & Traditional

\$40 residents

\$45 non-residents



Volunteer coaches are a crucial part of the program's
success. If interested in helping out, please check the
appropriate box when signing up on-line or contact
Recreation Specialist Mark Sanford at (517) 816-8214
or msanford@deltami.gov



Team equipment will be
provided by the Parks & Rec
Department. Personal
equipment such as cleats and
shin guards are recommended
but not required



Reversible jerseys are
required. These reversible
jerseys can be used for all of
our youth sports with the
exception of flag football.



LOCATION

Mt. Hope Park (7419
E. Mt. Hope Hwy.)

