

MARCH NEWSLETTER

March 14, 2024

*May the blessings of each day be the blessings you need most.
-An Irish Blessing*



*Hot Lunch Ordering for April opens March 18th & closes
March 25th!*



Registration for 2024-2025

We are wrapping up current family registration and have begun the new family registration process. All current families have been pre-registered for next year. If you have a new 3 or 4 year old preschooler to enroll for next year, please contact the school office. New family registration for preschool will take place Tuesday, March 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the School Library. Preferred spots may not be available after that time.

Note: The registration fee will be billed in your April statement on Blackbaud. If you have a student that will be attending our preschool and/or kindergarten this upcoming fall, you must add them in your Blackbaud Tuition account and get appropriate paperwork from the school office. If your child is not in Blackbaud, they are not considered registered and therefore do not have a spot. If your student(s) is not returning for the 2024-25 year, please let the office know by April 1st so that we may adjust your Blackbaud Tuition account. We want to make sure that our current families are served! Please make sure all registration paperwork is turned in ASAP. The office staff will need to follow up shortly with families that we haven't heard from.

Report Cards

The end of the 3rd Quarter is Friday, March 22nd. Report cards will be available online through PowerSchool on Thursday, March 28th.

Mileage Club News

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Spring 2024

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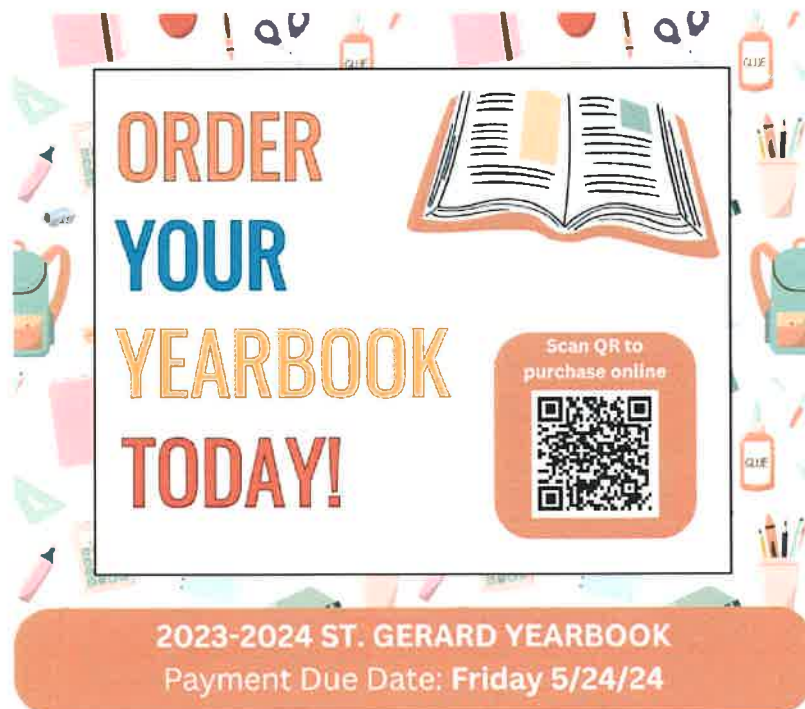
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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49AAAA2EABFF2-48523486-stgerard>

Order Your Yearbook!

Yearbooks for the 2023-2024 school year are on sale now! Yearbooks are \$25.00 a piece and are on sale until May 24, 2024. Yearbooks can be paid for via cash, check, or online. The order form is attached here.



Pay via Cash, Check, or Online

Make checks payable to St. Gerard School

Purchase online: <https://www.balfour.com/student-info?smi=34982>

Student Name: _____ Teacher Name: _____

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of Yearbooks _____ x \$25.00 = _____ total cost

Thank You for our Book Fair!

Thank you to all of our parents, friends, and PTO members who volunteered their time to help out with the Book Fair this year! Our students thoroughly enjoyed being able to put new books into their hands again.

A special thank you to Katie Barrons for your time and dedication!

Upcoming Dates

Friday, 3/15- No School, Staff Retreat

Tuesday, 3/19- Preschool "New" Family Registration @ 6:00 p.m.

Friday, 3/22- End of 3rd quarter

- No Waverly Buses AM or PM

Sunday, 3/24- Holy Week begins

Monday, 3/25-Thursday, 3/28- No Waverly Buses AM or PM

Thursday, 3/28- Holy Thursday all school prayer service @ 8:10

Friday, 3/29- No School; Good Friday and start of spring break

- Childcare closed

Monday, 4/1-Friday, 4/5- Spring break; child care closed

Monday, 4/8- School resumes

Tuesday, 4/16- First Communion Rehearsal @ 6:00 p.m.

- 7th grade retreat @ LCHS

Thursday, 4/18- Kindergarten Roundup; no school for kindergarteners!

Saturday, 4/20- First Communion @ 10:00 a.m.

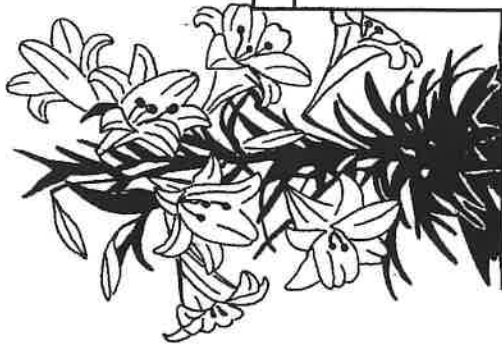


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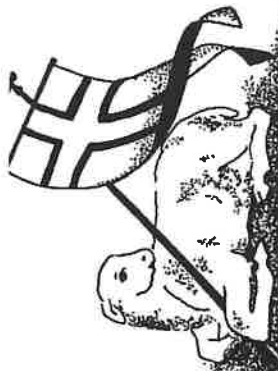
Trust in the Lord with
all your heart
and lean not
on your own understanding;
in all your ways
acknowledge him,
and he will make
your paths straight.



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.



APRIL



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Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7		1 April Fool's Day	2	3	4	5	6
		ENJOY	YOUR	SPRING	BREAK!!!!		
		CHILD	CARE	CLOSED			
14	ORDER MAY/JUNE HOT LUNCH 18 th -25 th	8 Welcome Back! Bosco Sticks Marinara Salad Fruit & Milk	9 Lucky Tray Sweet & Sour Meatballs Rice, Eggroll Fruit & Milk PTO mtg. 6:30 pm	10 French Toast Sausage Yogurt Fruit & Milk	11 Chicken Nuggets Potato Smiles Vegetable Fruit & Milk	12 Cheese Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk	13
		15 Spaghetti Salad Garlic Toast Fruit & Milk	16 Hamburger/ Cheeseburger French Fries Vegetable, Fruit, Milk 7 th gr. Retreat field trip First Communion Rehearsal 6:00 pm	17 Waffles Sausage Yogurt Fruit & Milk	18 Chicken Sandwich French Fries Vegetable Fruit & Milk K Round Up-No School for K only	19 Cheese Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk	20 2 nd gr. First Communion 10:00 am
		22 Earth Day Hot Dog Chips Carrots & Dip Fruit & Milk	23 Macaroni & Cheese Dinner Roll Vegetable Fruit & Milk Choir Concert 6:30 pm	24 Breakfast Pizza Hash Brown Fruit & Milk	25 Chicken Tenders French Fries Vegetable Fruit & Milk 5 th gr. field trip	26 All School Mass Pepperoni Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk	27
21	ORDER MAY/JUNE HOT LUNCH 18 th -25 th	29 Pepperoni Calzone Salad Fruit & Milk 6 th gr. Vocation Mass at LCHS	30 Beef Taco Mexican Rice Refried Beans Fruit & Milk				
		28					



Easter



St. Gerard 1st-4th grade IM Basketball Registration for 2024 – Mark the Date!

Hello,

We will have registrations for the IM basketball program on Weds March 27th from 530pm-630 pm.

This is just a registration event and no skills testing will be needed. The program will run just like last year as more of a clinic where the first half is working on skills and then scrimmage the 2nd half of the hour. The program will be on Tuesdays and Thursday starting on April 9, with 1-2nd graders at 500pm and 3-4th graders at 600pm. We will finish up with IM on Thursday May 2.

We do need Parents to help with this program. We are looking for parents that can work with the students to get a better understanding of the game which involves Dribbling, Passing, shooting and the betterment of the students to enjoy the game and to continue on with this sport. If we do not have parents to help us then times and dates may be reduced or cancelled. Please look to see what your availability is to help us out. There will be someone from the AC there to help get the day started.

Thank you and look forward to seeing you at Registration.

Please contact Pat Malacina at 517-230-7380 if you have any questions

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Scan QR to
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2023-2024 ST. GERARD YEARBOOK
Payment Due Date: **Friday 5/24/24**

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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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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

ST. GERARD
SUMMER
ADVENTURE

2024

STARTS JUNE 10

A SUMMER CHILD CARE PROGRAM OPERATED BY
ST. GERARD PARISH AND LICENSED BY THE MICHIGAN
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU

LOCATED INSIDE ST. GERARD
SCHOOL AT
4433 W. WILLOW HWY
LANSING, MI 48917

OUR ACTIVITIES

WEEKLY THEMES, ARTS &
CRAFTS, SCIENCE
EXPLORATION, GROUP GAMES,
OUTDOOR EXPERIENCES,
WATER PLAY

AIR-CONDITIONED FACILITY!

FIELD TRIPS
FOR SCHOOL-AGE
CHILDREN

FOR CHILDREN
ENTERING
PRESCHOOL-7TH
GRADE IN FALL 2024

PRESCHOOLERS MUST
BE AT LEAST 3 YRS
OLD AND POTTY
TRAINED BY FIRST DAY
OF ATTENDANCE

\$34

PER DAY

PROGRAM RUNS
WEEKDAYS 7 AM-6 PM

\$25 to enroll

**ENROLLMENT
BEGINS:**

MARCH 18 FOR CHILDREN
CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN
ST. GERARD CHILD CARE

MARCH 25 FOR ST. GERARD
STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY
ENROLLED IN ST. GERARD
CHILD CARE

APRIL 8 FOR NON-ST.
GERARD SCHOOL FAMILIES

CALL
FOR MORE INFO
517-853-0744

OR EMAIL DAVID AT
DGLTIERREZ@STGERARDLANSING.ORG

SCHEDULING/PAYMENTS MADE ON-LINE THROUGH
BLACKBAUD



EASTER

Season

Creative Bible Study workshop and Bible Journaling

VIA LUCIS

the
Way of Light

MARCH 18TH
6:30 PM

St. Gerard
Parish Hall

An Easter season creative Bible study and Bible Journaling workshop focusing on the Stations of the Light, with Ingrid Blixt. A visual and artful approach to studying the Word of God.

All art supplies will be provided. Admission is \$20. Admission waived with purchase of full Journaling kit (\$39) which includes devotional booklet, stickers and more to help you journey with God's word through the Easter season.

How to sign up:

You may sign up by email
womenofstg@gmail.com
or call the office at
(517) 323-2379.

Cash, check or Venmo accepted at the door.



St. Gerard Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30th at 10:00 am sharp!

- **Register by Tuesday, March 26th.**
- **Invite your friends and neighbors!**
- **Children 5th grade and younger!**
- **Groups divided by age.**
- **Meet by Fr. Weber Hall with your Easter basket.**
- **A surprise guest will be visiting!**
- **We are asking for donations of small individually wrapped candy that can fit into plastic eggs. Please drop off candy at the parish office by Tuesday March 26th.**

To register: go to our website, follow the QR code, or call the parish office!

