

**St. Gerald Guardian Angel Dinner and Auction**  
**Boots and Buckles Ball**  
**February 4, 2017**  
**D.C. Centre 11830 Stonegate Drive**



Dear St. Gerald Parish Family,

**Save the date!** Our annual Guardian Angel Dinner and Auction will be held on **February 4, 2017**. We invite you to be a part of this memorable celebration to enjoy an evening of friends and fellowship all in the spirit of raising money for our beloved school. Last year, the auction reached capacity! After much consideration, the auction committee decided to move the event off site this year. The costs incurred in holding the auction will be the same, but more people can attend with additional space to mingle and peruse auction items.

Wonderful, exciting things are happening at our school! This past year, through a grant from the Archdiocesan Ignite the Faith campaign, St. Gerald Preschool was established and our first preschoolers started class this August. In addition, a new math curriculum was introduced last year and math fluency among students increased significantly. Over the last 18 years, the generosity of parishioners, school families, and community businesses has driven the success of the Auction resulting in over \$1 million towards capital and operating improvements of St. Gerald School. This year's auction proceeds will help fund the school's operating budget and be used for future projects, such as improving building security and implementing additional technology for teaching students.

Today, we ask that you prayerfully consider a donation to the Auction. Consider donating a single item, a themed basket, a gift card, or a cash donation to help subsidize purchase of auction items. All donors receive recognition in the event program. **Together, we can continue to make a significant impact on the quality of St. Gerald education!**

Please review the attached information regarding donations and return the donation form to the church office, in the Sunday collection basket marked "**Auction**", or contact one of us for pickup.

We hope you can join us in a big "Yee-Haw" at the end of the evening on **February 4<sup>th</sup>**!

With thanks and appreciation,

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**CASH DONATIONS**

All levels of cash donations are much appreciated and will be used to purchase auction items or to underwrite auction expenses. Cash donations received will be specially recognized in accordance with the following guidelines:

\$1,000..... Guardian Angel\*\*  
\$500..... Angel of Love\*\*  
\$250..... Large St. Gerald Pride Paw^^  
\$100..... Small St. Gerald Pride Paw^^

\*\*Guardian Angel and Angel of Love donors will be displayed at St. Gerald School indefinitely with donor names inscribed on a plaque.

^^For every \$250 or \$100 donation, the donor name will be displayed on a paw print at St. Gerald School for the 2017-2018 school year.

All cash donors, regardless of amount, will be recognized in the Auction program.

**LIVE & SILENT AUCTION ITEM DONATIONS**

Our goal for the Auction is to offer a variety of quality items that appeal to many interests. You might consider:

- ◆ What would you bid on at the Auction?
- ◆ Maybe you, a friend or a business you regularly patronize has a service or hobby to share with others as a donation?
- ◆ Does your employer provide special discounts or benefits that may be able to be contributed?
- ◆ General HOPE certificates—a double winner for the School and you!  
(You become eligible for a tuition discount through the HOPE program and we earn extra money for the School)

We have also provided a Wish List of items that have been popular in the past and also a few items that are truly “wishful thinking.”

Non-cash donations are due by **Friday, December 9!** After this date, **only** cash donations will be accepted. This may seem early, but the Auction committee needs time to enter the donations into the computer system and prepare the auction catalog.

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**DONATION FORM (DUE DECEMBER 9, 2016)**

**Donor name**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Donor email**

\_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to make a:**

**Cash Donation**

**Amount: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Item Donation** (please complete information below)

**Description of item or service being donated (useful for our Auction Catalog)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Value of donation (if known, useful for our Auction Catalog)**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Provide additional details below, if necessary, on delivery or timing of donation.**

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**Guardian Angel Dinner & Auction Tickets:**

**Reservations received by January 16th will be entered to win \$200 in auction credit!**

**I would like to purchase individual tickets to the event:**

**Number of tickets** \_\_\_\_\_ **x \$75 = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to purchase a table sponsorship to the event for \$1,000**

Table for 10 at event, including sponsorship recognition

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

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**AUCTION WISH LIST**

**Luxury Items**

Hotel/Getaways (local, in-state, out-of-state, abroad)  
Airline certificates  
Beach house/condo rentals  
Guided hunting or fishing trip/excursion  
Wine tours  
Accessories (jewelry, handbags, scarves, etc.)  
Furniture (including antiques)  
Art  
Electronics (home theatre, digital cameras, DVD players, iPod, iPad, Kindle, gaming systems)  
Show tickets (plays, musicals, movies, etc.)

**Sports**

Tickets to local or national sporting events (pro, college, car racing, horse racing, etc.)  
Sports memorabilia  
Sports equipment

**Services**

Personal chef/culinary lessons  
Portrait studio packages  
Car detailing package  
Home remodeling (roofing, painting, landscaping, interior design, fencing, etc.)  
Spa and hair services  
Tax and estate planning  
Cleaning/maid service  
Limo/party bus service

**Other**

HOPE certificates (general certificates are most useful)  
Parties (pool, skating, bowling, laser tag, bounce house)  
Hosted theme parties/dinners  
Tools