

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ MAY 25, 2008 - SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Today is the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**. The High Mass is of the feast with the Commemoration and Last Gospel of the Sunday. The Low Masses are of the Sunday within the Octave.

Our annual outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament takes place this morning after the High Mass, with outdoor Benediction, as well as Benediction in the church at its conclusion. *The Blessed Sacrament is exposed all day today* for the adoration of the faithful until our closing Benediction that follows the 4:45 PM Vespers. Members of the Rosary Confraternity are kindly asked to *take turns adoring* the Blessed Sacrament from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. There will be a Holy Hour from 3:00 PM - 4:00PM. If you have not yet spent time in adoration this Corpus Christi, come this afternoon and visit with Our Savior, King and Friend. Don't leave Him alone as we observe the eight hundredth anniversary of this feast.

✠ THE SACRED HEART



The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friday, May 30th, should be marked with special fervor in our families where He has been enthroned as King of Love. Decorate your Sacred Heart shrine, renew your consecrations as a family and receive Holy Communion at the 11:25 AM or the 5:45 PM Mass.

This feast offers us an opportunity to make reparation to His Sacred Heart for our coldness and indifference to the Blessed Sacrament, as well as to remember just how much He loves us. Make an effort to attend an extra Mass in His honor during the Octave.

Remember, this is a feast Our Lord specifically requested personally of St. Margaret Mary. Shouldn't you come?

✠ MEMORIAL DAY

On Monday, begin your day by praying for our recent war dead, all deceased veterans and all of our dear departed. The Blessed Sacrament will be

exposed at 8:30 AM with Memorial Day and May Devotions, and High Mass at 9:00 followed by Benediction.

✠ THE QUEENSHIP OF MARY



May closes with the Feast of Our Lady's Queenship this Saturday. End the month with your Blessed Mother. Masses are at 7:30 AM and 8:00 AM, followed by final May Devotions.

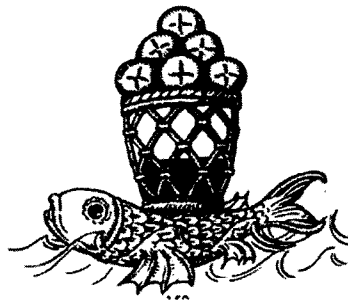
✠ NEXT SUNDAY

The Blessing of Religious Articles follows all Masses at the communion rail.

Join us, won't you, for the Jog-a-thon awards and final results in Helfta Hall following the High Mass at approximately 11:00 AM.

The usual first Sunday of the month second collection will be taken up for the support of our Seminary. Please be generous.

Set your missal: The Sunday within the Octave of the Sacred Heart. Commemoration of the Sacred Heart and St. Angela Merici. Preface of the Sacred Heart. Vespers and Benediction are at 4:45 PM.



✠ Servers

JUNE 1, 2008

7:30 AM John Wiesman, Kent Maki, Joe Andreotta, Eldon Neukam
9:00 AM Dale Wilker Richard Smith Jim Gebel, Bernie Brueggemann
11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Will Wiegand
5:45 PM Jim Kolenich

✠ Servers

MAY 26 - JUNE 1, 2008

•MON 5/26 5:00 PM LOW: G. Keaveney, M. Briggs
•TUE 5/27 5:45 PM LOW: G. Wnek
•WED 5/28 6:30 AM LOW: T & C. Simpson
5:00 PM LOW: M. Derksen
•THU 5/29 5:00 PM LOW: G. Keaveney & C. Ritze
•FRI 5/30 5:45 PM LOW: M. G. Keaveney, C. Ritze, J. Bayer, J. Soli
•SAT 5/31 7:30 AM LOW: T & C. Simpson
8:00 AM LOW: M. Briggs, G. Keaveney
•SUN 6/1 7:30 AM LOW: D. & S. Brueggemann
9:00 AM HIGH: MCs: A. & Jn. Lotarski ;
TH: R. Hill; ACs: B. Lotarski, G. Wnek;
TORCH: N. McClorey, J. Simpson, P. Duff, N. Piuglielli.
11:30 AM LOW: J. Soli, T. Kunkel
4:45 PM Vespers & Bene.: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

✠ POETRY CORNER

AWAKENING

O holy Child, O little Child
How long I looked for Thee!
How often have I dreamed that Thou
Some day my Guest would be!

For Thee I kept the whitest bread,
For Thee was stored the wine,
For Thee was saved the little robe
That was so soft and fine.

O holy One, O little One;
At last my blind eyes see,
I fed and clothed a starved child,
And found I sheltered Thee.

—Julia Johnson Davis

WELCOME

My heart Thy stable is, dear Lord,
Oh grant that it may be
Not fair or wide or rich enough,
But *poor* enough for Thee.

—Marie Blake

TWIN LOVES

God loves the little children
Whose souls are spotless white;
All day He watches o'er them,
And all the lonely night;
When they are bright and happy,
It fills His Heart with joy,—
God loves the little children,
For Jesus was a boy.

Sweet Mary loves the children
And sends God's angels down,
To guard her tender dear ones
Lest they should lose their crown;
Each day she prays that Jesus
Will keep the undefiled,—
Sweet Mary loves the children,
For Mary was a child.

—T. E. B.

Collection Report

Sunday, May 18.....\$5,381.00

*Thank you for your generosity!
Remember St. Gertrude's in your will!*

✠ THE CALENDAR

MON	5/26/08	WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI ST. PHILIP NERI, C MEMORIAL DAY
	8:30 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, May Devotions & Memorial Day Observance
	9:00 AM	High Mass <i>For our beloved poor souls especially veterans and other victims of our wars</i> Benediction follows Mass
TUES	5/27/08	ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE, C ST. JOHN I, PM
	11:25 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament High Mass †M/M Joseph Ostertag & †Al Arlinghaus (Paul Arlinghaus Family) Benediction follows Mass
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass †Janet Sniezek (Robert Wnek)
WED	5/28/08	WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CORPUS CHRISTI ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, C
	6:30 AM	Low Mass †Eileen Bartels (Carolyn McClorey)
	11:25 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament High Mass Bp. Dolan (M/M Victor Ritze) Benediction follows Mass
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass <i>In honor of the Blessed Sacrament for Perpetual Adoration here</i>
	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
THUR	5/29/08	OCTAVE DAY OF CORPUS CHRISTI ST. MARY MAGDALEN DE PAZZI, V
	11:25 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament High Mass <i>Special intention (H. O. & Becky Hinton)</i> Benediction follows Mass
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass <i>All our benefactors (Mary Ann Evans)</i>
	7:00 PM	Compline (Boys' Schola)
FRI	5/30/08	THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS ST. JOAN OF ARC, V / ST. FERDINAND, KING
	11:00 AM	Confessions
	11:25 AM	Low Mass <i>In Reparation to the Sacred Heart</i>
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM	High Mass †Rita Brueggemann (John Seyfried) Benediction, Novena, & Confessions follow Mass
SAT	5/31/08	QUEENSHIP OF MARY ST. PETRONILLA, V <i>Our Lady Mediatrix of all Graces</i>
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Mary Macchia -15 Ann. (Tom & Stella Simpson) Confessions follow Mass
	8:00 AM	High Mass <i>Pro Life (Rosary Confraternity)</i> May Devotions & Confessions follow Mass
SUN	6/1/08	SUNDAY WITH THE OCTAVE OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS ST. ANGELA MERICI, V
	7:30 AM	Low Mass <i>Jim Soli & Family (Frances Mattingly)</i>
	9:00 AM	High Mass B. & †R. Brueggemann
	11:30 AM	Low Mass <i>Elizabeth Eilerman (Her Godmother)</i>
	4:45 PM	Vespers & Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass <i>For the people of St. Gertrude the Great</i>

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER



For our country this is Memorial Day Weekend, the opening of summer, a time to picnic and party outdoors. It is also, of course, *in intent*, a time to remember the veterans of all our wars – thus the parades and speeches. It used to be know as Decoration Day, and graves still are decorated with flags or flowers. By a happy inspiration, it is a kind of spring All Souls Day, a time to remember all of our beloved dead and to pray for them as we perhaps visit the cemetery and refresh the graves after the winter.

For the Catholic, however, this Memorial Day is a *true* day to remember the greatest sacrifice in history, and the only way which truly makes us free. “Do this in memory of Me.” We visit not the grave, but the living tabernacle or monstrance, of our Risen Liberator, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Parades don't interest us so much. We are weary of the propaganda. (Prayers, yes!) But a procession – that's the ticket. A triumphant procession for the Hero who alone has conquered every enemy, and the only real enemy we possess – the devil, the true terrorist. Let us loyally remember our Eucharistic King and Conqueror these days of Memorial Day, not only by visits and the procession, but most of all by Mass and Holy Communion. Happy Memorial Day!

Congratulations to *our* little soldiers – of Christ – who today received Him for the first time! Thanks to all who make this beautiful Feast of Corpus Christi so beautiful. Please, you, dear reader, remember to remember, and come back for a visit or a Mass this week.

On Friday, let us close these beautiful days with the family feast of love and reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to make up for our faults and forgetfulness during Corpus Christi, and to remember just how much Jesus loves us.

On Saturday take one last look at the loving Queen of the May. A good meditation on her universal Queenship should close this lovely month.

Oh, and please, please, remember our veterans– of this and all wars. Remember them in a way that counts. Remember them with your daily prayers. Our hearts go out to them in their sufferings. So should our prayers!

God bless you. Now, you remember this Memorial Day to bless God!

—Bishop Dolan

✠ THE THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY

THE NATIVITY

✠ King of Kings, poor indeed, yet most lovely in the crib of Bethlehem, Thou callest the simple and the poor to be Thy first adorers: poorer and no less amiable to the eyes of faith in the Sacrament of Thy love, Thou art still delighted to see around Thy person the humble and the little.

✠ Jesus, in Thy destitution we adore Thee, to Whom belong all the treasures of the Godhead, and we beg of Thee, through the intercession of Thy holy Mother, detachment from goods of this world.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT.

✠ GAIN THE INDULGENCES!

The faithful who visit the Blessed Sacrament on the Feast of Corpus Christi and during the Octave may obtain a plenary indulgence on each day on the condition of confession and Holy Communion.

The faithful who receive Holy Communion for the first time or are present at the First Communion of others are granted a plenary indulgence on the usual conditions.

✠ UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Gertrude the Great High School Commencement Ceremonies will be held Sunday, June 15, following the 9:00 AM High Mass. Refreshments will be served in Helfta Hall. All are invited.

✠ FATHER'S DAY ENVELOPES

Father's Day is Sunday, June 15th. Envelopes can be found in the pews or in the vestibule for the *Father's Day Mass Remembrance*. Remember your father, grandfather, or any special father at Holy Mass. Simply fill out the envelope and return it to us before Father's Day.

Dear fellow traditional Catholic:



You are invited to join the traditional Catholic

version of MySpace/Facebook: TRAD CIRCLE. This totally Catholic social networking site is intended primarily to assist sedevacantist traditional Catholics from our chapels in finding a spouse as well as making new friends and keeping in touch with old ones. This website is brand-new, so we are looking forward to getting many new members from all over the country who will make this site a great success.

<http://tradcircle.ning.com/?zqi=e317nuU>

LUMEN CHRISTI

For the next fortnight the Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament for:

**HEALING AND RESTORATION
OF ALL OUR FAMILIES**

—*The Patton Family*

✠ KID'S KORNER

When we receive Holy Communion, Jesus leaves His home on the altar and comes to us. His heart and our hearts become one heart; His soul and our souls, one soul; His mind and our minds, one mind.

When you eat your food it becomes part of you. It helps you to grow and gives you strength. Holy Communion is the food of the soul. When you receive Holy Communion, Jesus enters your soul. Your soul grows. Of course, your soul does not grow bigger in size, for your soul has no size. But it grows bigger in virtue and love of God. Your Soul becomes stronger, too. Stronger to do what is good for you, even though doing what is good may sometimes be hard. And stronger to fight against all that is wrong.

We shall find that if we go to Holy Communion very often, that little by little we become different. Our hearts become more and more like the Heart of Jesus. We begin to think a little as He thinks, do as He does. We share His thoughts, His virtues, His life. And gradually we can say, "I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me."

St. Basil said that to receive Holy Communion every day is a most beautiful and profitable practice. You want to grow up into the best possible Catholic. Well, listen to what St. Theresa said: "There is no better way of becoming fervent than by frequently receiving Holy Communion."

Jesus, sweetest Child, born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary, wrapped in swaddling-clothes, laid in the manger, heralded by angels, visited by shepherds, have mercy on us.

✠ A MEDITATION

THE REAL PRESENCE

And see how the Eucharist began at Bethlehem. He was even then the Emmanuel, "God with us," Who was come to dwell among His people. On the first Christmas Day He began to live in our midst; the Eucharist perpetuates His presence. At Bethlehem, the Word was made flesh; in the Sacrament He is made bread in order to give us His flesh without stirring any feeling of repugnance in us. At Bethlehem He also began practicing the virtues of His sacramental state.

He was poor; He stripped Himself of every possession, He the Creator and Sovereign Master of all things. The stable was not His own; charity let Him have the use of it. He lived with His Mother on the offerings of the shepherds and the gifts of the Magi; later in the Eucharist, He would ask man for a shelter for Himself, the matter for His Sacrament, vestments for His priests and His altar. This is how Bethlehem heralds the Eucharist.

—*St. Peter Julian Eymard*

NO ROOM FOR HIM

No room for Him in Bethlehem's inn,
No room for Him in the world today,
The place is taken by pomp and sin,
The King of Glory is turned away.

"Why have they, sweet Lord, no room for Thee,
and why to the World are their portals wide?"
Because Thou comest in poverty,
And rich are the trappings of princely Pride.

Oh, come to my heart; it is cold and bare,
But Thou canst garnish it bright with grace.
With Thee and Thy Mother I long to share
This Bethlehem, even earth's poorest place.

— A. K. M.

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT SCHOOL

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We are currently accepting applications for in-parish students.

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Gertrude the Great School provides a Catholic liberal arts education, including an integrated core curriculum grounded in natural and revealed truth, the purpose of which at both the elementary and high school levels is to form the whole person for a life spent in the pursuit of truth and wisdom. Intrinsic to such an education is the formation of moral character and the fostering of the spiritual life. This education prepares students for their role as faithful, informed, and articulate members of Christ's Church and society.

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