

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

☪ **OCTOBER 24, 2010**

• **PENTECOST XXII** •

- **ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL** •
- **MISSION SUNDAY** •

Join us in prayer today for the missions, which include the Church in our own country and all the world. Catechism and Adult Education classes are at 10:40 A.M. Come to the gift shop and buy a book or a sacramental, for yourself or another, as a way of spreading the faith. Come back to Church this afternoon for the evening service of Vespers, and pray a Rosary with us as well before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed, for the Propagation of the Faith.

The Parish registration cards are in the pews, for those who have not yet used them, as well as the Poor Souls envelopes for November. Today's feast of St. Raphael closes our month of the angels.

### ☪ THIS WEEK

The great **Apostles Simon and Jude** (patron of despaired of cases) shine forth on **Thursday** (8, 11:20 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.) in what is otherwise a quiet week. We had a good showing of boys last **Monday afternoon** for the **Knights of the Sacred Heart**. Bring your boys to Sharon Woods Park for games with Fr. McGuire, and more. We're trying another **4:00 P.M. Mass on Wednesday**. Come to the last of our "**Rosary Fridays**" at **5:15 P.M.** with **Mass at 6:00 P.M.**

### ☪ OOPS!!

Saturday is the anticipated Vigil of All Saints. The fast and abstinence, however, are never anticipated, so please ignore the "fish and fast" notation in the calendar. It is, however, the last of Our Lady's October Saturdays, so do come to Mass and stay for the Rosary and Benediction at about 8:45 A.M.

### ☪ NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING

Bring the children dressed as Saints before the 9:00 A.M. Mass so they may process in together for our *All Saints Procession*. You are welcome to a party in



Helfta Hall after Mass, preceded by presentations about the Saints, for those who prepared something. Classes are cancelled. Festive Vespers, with Rosary and Benediction, are at 4:30 P.M.

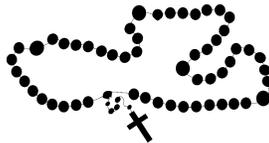
**Set Your Missal:** Christ the King, with commemoration and Last Gospel of Pentecost XXIII, Proper Preface.

### ☪ 2010 ROSARY CONFRATERNITY ENROLLMENT

Last chance to sign up!!!

### ☪ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The **October Devotions** (Rosary, Litany and Prayer to St. Joseph) are recited **every school day at 3:10 PM**. Every **Wednesday** the **Rosary** is recited **before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at 2:45 PM**, with **Benediction and Holy Communion** at approximately **3:15 PM**. Come join our children in prayer! The Rosary is also recited, **before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed on Friday** afternoon at **5:15 P.M.**, followed by **Mass at 6:00 P.M.** Saturday's Rosary is at 8:45 A.M. Sunday the Rosary is prayed at 7:10 and 11:10 A.M., and (approx) 5:15 P.M.



#### ☪ Ushers

OCTOBER 25 - OCTOBER 31, 2010

- **TUE 10/26** 5:00 PM LOW: J. Gunsher
- **WED 10/27** 2:45 PM: J. Lotarski, A.D. Kinnett, B. Loatarski, J. Lacy
- **FRI 10/29** 6:00 PM Low: Simpsons, J. Gunsher
- **SAT 10/30** 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons  
8:00 AM Low: M. Briggs
- **SUN 10/31** 7:30 AM LOW: A. & S. Brueggemann  
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, J. Lotarski R. Hill  
TH: S. Lawrence **Mitre:** A Richesson **Crozier:** A Wanke  
ACs: J Simpson, T. Simpson  
**TORCH:** J. Lacy, A. Wanke, A. Richesson, P. Lawrence, N. Puglielli, N. McClorey  
**Cross:** F. Puglielli **Banner:** N. McClorey  
**Cushion:** B. Lotarski  
11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, P. Lotarski  
4:30 PM VESPERS AND BENEDICTION: G. Miller,  
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller



#### ☪ Ushers

OCTOBER 31, 2010

- 7:30 AM Scott Pepiot, Volunteer, Volunteer
- 9:00 AM Mike Briggs, Mark Lotarski, Steve Weigand, Paul Puglielli
- 11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Volunteer
- 5:45 PM John Seyfried

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

#### Collection Report

Sunday October 17th .....\$3,009.00

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

### The Angels

**Modest, mild, inglorious  
along the outskirts of our world,  
they walk, and have walked, close to us  
since God's first limped dew was pearled.  
So sure, inviolate, and still,  
they move among us as we go  
and open doors and guide our will  
in wisdom that we cannot know.**

**And we would never guess them near,  
except that on some grievous day,  
some night of doubt or want or fear,  
kneeling in our hearts to pray,  
we find the broken spirit soars,  
the tongue takes voice again and sings,  
and straight into the frail flesh pours  
a strength like that of mighty wings!**

—Helen Harrington

### Hypocrisy

It is all in vain to preach of the truth  
To the eager ears of a trusting youth;  
If, whenever the lad is standing by,  
He sees you cheat and hears you lie.  
Fine words may grace the advice you give,  
But youth will learn from the way you live.

Honor's a word that a thief may use,  
High-sounding language the base may choose.

Speech is empty and preaching vain,  
Though the truth shines clear and the lesson's plain;

If you play false, he will turn away,  
For your life must square to the things you say.

He won't tread the path of your righteous talk,  
But will follow the path which you daily walk.

"Not as I do, but do as I say"  
Won't win him to follow the better way.  
Through the thin veneer of your speech  
he'll see,  
Unless you're the man you would have him be.

The longer you live you will find this true:  
As you would teach, you must also do.  
Rounded sentences, smooth and fair,  
Were better not said if your deeds aren't square.

If you'd teach him to live to his very best,  
You must live your life to the selfsame test.

Edgar A. Guest

## ✠ THE CALENDAR

<b>MON</b>	<b>10/25/10</b>	<b>Ss CHRYSANTHUS &amp; DARIA, MM</b> 8:00 AM <b>Low Mass</b> Karen Puglielli (Birthday) ( <i>Paul and Children</i> ) 11:20 AM <b>Low Mass</b> Poor Souls - gratitude - Kathleen 3:10 PM <b>Rosary Devotions</b> 4:00 PM <b>Knights of the Sacred Heart</b>
<b>TUES</b>	<b>10/26/10</b>	<b>ST EVARISTUS, PM</b> 8:00 AM <b>Low Mass</b> Joe Soli ( <i>Mary Lacy</i> ) 11:20 AM <b>Requiem High Mass</b> Purgatorial Society 3:10 PM <b>Rosary Devotions</b> 5:00 PM <b>Low Mass</b> †Ruth Bastaja ( <i>Sue Bastaja</i> )
<b>WED</b>	<b>10/27/10</b>	<b>VIGIL OF Ss SIMON &amp; JUDE</b> 8:00 AM <b>Low Mass</b> †Thomas Kamphaus ( <i>O.W.M. Association</i> ) 11:20 AM <b>High Mass</b> Nadine's Intentions 2:45 PM <b>Exposition, Rosary Devotions, Benediction, Distribution of Holy Communion</b>
<b>N.B. Special Time</b>		
	4:00 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> Poor Souls - Special Intentions ( <i>Bishop Dolan</i> )
	6:30 PM	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>THURS</b>	<b>10/28/10</b>	<b>Ss SIMON &amp; JUDE, APP</b> 8:00 AM <b>Low Mass</b> †Thomas Kamphaus ( <i>Emily Harten</i> ) 11:20 AM <b>High Mass</b> The Rois Family ( <i>The Arlinghaus Family</i> ) 3:10 PM <b>Rosary Devotions</b> 5:00 PM <b>Low Mass</b> Nadine's Intentions
<b>FRI</b>	<b>10/29/10</b>	<b>FERIAL DAY</b> 8:00 AM <b>Low Mass</b> †Thomas Kamphaus ( <i>B.C.A.</i> ) 10:55 AM <b>Confessions</b> 11:20 AM <b>Votive Low Mass for the Remission of Sins</b> <i>All My Godchildren (Katie Bischak)</i> 3:10 PM <b>Rosary Devotions</b> 5:00 PM <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> 5:15 PM <b>Rosary Devotions</b> 5:20 PM <b>Confessions</b> 5:45 PM <b>Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction</b> 6:00 PM <b>Low Mass</b> Mary Ann Evans & Family ( <i>C. Simpson Family</i> )
<b>SAT</b>	<b>10/30/10</b>	<b>VIGIL OF ALL SAINTS</b> 7:15 AM <b>Confessions</b> 7:30 AM <b>Low Mass</b> Honor of St. Catherine of Siena ( <i>Tom &amp; Stella Simpson</i> ) 8:00 AM <b>Sermon and Low Mass</b> St. Gertrude the Great - Thank you for prayers ( <i>Ernie</i> ) 8:45 AM <b>Exposition, Rosary Devotions, Benediction</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>10/31/10</b>	<b>CHRIST THE KING</b> <b>PENTECOST XXIII</b> <i>CONFESSIONS HEARD AT ALL MASSES</i> 7:30 AM <b>Low Mass</b> Poor Souls ( <i>Regina Gilliam</i> ) 9:00 AM <b>All Saints Procession &amp; High Mass</b> Six Year Anniversary of death - Kenneth Brown III ( <i>Susan Brown &amp; Children</i> )

FOLLOWED BY PRESENTATIONS AND PARTY IN HELFTA HALL

11:30 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> †William & Marcella Hable ( <i>Jean Bischel</i> )
4:30 PM	<b>Festive Vespers, Rosary Devotions and Benediction</b>
5:45 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude

## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

What beautiful Fall days have fallen to our lot this month! We are grateful for the glorious weather, and are getting ourselves, slowly, ready for Winter. An icy patch of parking lot has been corrected near the garage, and the fish pond is being seen to. The asphalt in the parking lot needs some repair, but this will have to wait for Spring, as the asphalt factories have closed for the season.



An amiable gypsy popped into the sacristy after Benediction the other Wednesday, with a "too good to be true" deal on asphalt for us. It was. One has a certain sympathy for Sarkozy, president of France, who took quite a bit of heat from the liberals for deporting some of their squatting Gypsies or Roma people.

France seems to be in even worse shape than America these days, with rioting and strikes and fuel shortages to protest the proposed retirement age of 60! It is currently 58, which sounds good to me!

Besides politics, America's great folly at this season is football, which has gone from a game for the young to a national religion for all. Football has its temples (stadiums) its priesthood (the players) and its long and complex sacred ceremonies which may be viewed with devotion in the comfort of one's living room all week long, etc. Can you think of an added analogy or two? It even has its martyrs, the poor players who suffer a concussion, on the average of one per game, the N.F.L. reports.

In summary, I'll remind you of that quotation I cited in my sermon the other Sunday: "In his senate days, Minnesotan Gene McCarthy had it right when he said that 'being in politics is like being a football coach; You have to be smart enough to understand the game and dumb enough to think it's important.'"

Enjoy this glorious season, follies and all. Try to get out and appreciate the fragile beauty of the last of the fine weather. Come on out and join us this afternoon to pray our Vespers Rosary for our missions and missionaries, who are our real heroes.

St. Raphael guide and protect your journeys!

—Bishop Dolan



### WHAT EVERY CHRISTIAN MUST BELIEVE

Every Christian must believe that there is one God, and no more than one God: that God is a pure Spirit, the Lord and Maker of heaven and earth, Who has neither beginning nor end, but is always the same; Who is everywhere present; knows and sees all things; can do all things whatsoever He pleases; and is infinite in all perfections.



### The Mission of the Twelve

The Church is the mystery of the Incarnation prolonged throughout the centuries, the Church is essentially a mission. That is the meaning of the word "apostolate." It is sent. It is a mission: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (John 20:21).

This mission character of the Church is of infinite importance because the authority of the Church is derived from this mission. It is because it is sent that the Church can address itself to the entire world, because, precisely, it is totally entrusted with the presence of Jesus it bears throughout history in order to gather all mankind in one flock under the leadership of one sole shepherd...

We are all sent by the One who sends us, by the Only One who sends us, who is Jesus Christ, and each degree of authority is essentially the repetition of being sent, of mission: *Ite, Missa est*. This is of absolutely prime importance. It is clear that as a priest I am not myself. I am a priest precisely so as not to be myself, in order to be the sacrament of Jesus Christ.

It is clear that if men entrust their soul, their deepest secrets, to a priest, it is because the priest is not himself, it is because he is the sacrament of Jesus. It is clear that the priest could never enter into the mystery of man if he was not sent. And even if he is mediocre, he is sent. And even if he is mediocre, he has the grace of the mission.

It happens that the priest gives some souls some counsels that are infinitely beyond him, because he is a sacrament and that, insofar as he conforms to this mission, he can count on the help of God. I have experienced that, I know that I must never undertake anything on my own, because I am sent.

-Fr. Maurice Zundel

Father Zundel (†1975) was a Swiss mystic, poet, philosopher, liturgist, and author.



### Of Forgiveness

*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I lovingly call to mind Thy commandment that we forgive our enemies and do good to those who treat us ill. I wish, therefore, to forgive all those who have injured me for Thy sake. Give me, my God, the great grace of a forgiving heart!*

*Thou hast pardoned my innumerable sins; Thou art never weary of forgiving. Let me, likewise, for Thy sake, pardon those who have offended me; and the more they have grieved me, the more may my pardon be generous and full. Remove from my heart all the remains of resentment. Make me realize the prayer in the Our Father, "Forgive us as we forgive." Grant, also, Lord, the same spirit of forgiveness to all those whom I love and to my enemies as well.*

*"Forgive our sins as we forgive,"  
You taught us, Lord, to pray,  
But Thou alone can grant us grace  
To live the words we say.*

*How can Your pardon reach and bless  
The unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let  
Old bitterness depart?*

*In blazing light Thy Cross reveals  
The truth we dimly see:  
What trivial debts are owed to us,  
Forgiven as we be.*

*Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls  
And bid resentment cease.  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love,  
Our Lives will spread your peace.*



O Immaculate Virgin... we seek in your heavenly assistance and tender mercy comfort for our aching hearts... Draw us onward with the sweetness of your voice that one day, after our exile, you may show us Jesus, the Blessed Fruit of your womb.

-Pope Pius XII

The Hebrew name "Raphael" signifies "God has healed" and the Archangel who bears this name is revered and invoked as God's agent in the cure of human ills, "God's travel agent" for those on the road; and also for the choice of a good spouse. In the East, this feast has been observed since the ninth century; in the West, since the time of Pope Benedict XV. The New Testament tells us that one of the duties of St. Raphael is the offering to God of the sweet sacrifice of Christian prayer. The Missal mentions St. Michael as performing the same office. We know that the seven Archangels surround the throne of God, adoring and praising Him, and that they act as His agents in the direction of human affairs. As today's Collect teaches us, these pure spirits extend to us the shelter of their guardianship and the strength of their assistance. We should venerate them and beg their intercession on our behalf.



***What purity can be anywhere found,  
even amongst the holy angels,  
comparable to the purity of her who  
was deemed worthy to be made the  
living sanctuary of the Holy Spirit  
and the dwelling of the Son of God?***

-Saint Bernard

O my Mother, extend your hand to a poor creature who has fallen, and asks your help.



# THREE DAYS OF GRACE



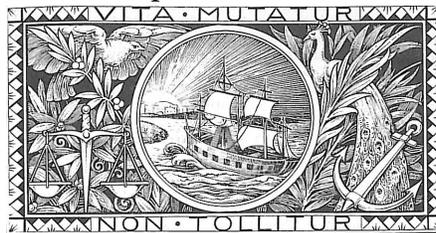
Sunday October 31st - Christ the King

- Bring your children dressed as saints to process in before the 9:00 A.M. Mass.
- After Mass, those who wish to may give a little presentation, and all are invited to the All Saints party.
- Later on in the day, in the quiet of the afternoon, come back to Church for the Solemn Vespers of All Saints, with Rosary and Benediction.



November 1st - All Saints

- Hear Mass for the Holy Day of Obligation: 9:00 A.M. or 5:45 P.M. (Come after work, even if you'd be late!)
- If you're coming early on Monday November 1st, plan to pray the Rosary with us before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed: 5:15 P.M., followed by Benediction.



November 2nd - ALL SOULS DAY

- Hear one or more Masses for the Dead. Masses are offered just about all day long. Consult the bulletin for a convenient time, around 8 A.M., around 11:20 A.M. and around 4:00 - 5:00 P.M.
- In addition, note the Requiem High Mass at 11:20 A.M., with Absolution, and the closing of the Month of the Rosary at 2:45 P.M., with Rosary and Benediction.
- Be sure to fill out your All Souls Day envelope and hand it in.
- Gain the Plenary Indulgence "As often, So often" (Toties Quoties) for the Poor Souls from noon on All Saints through All Souls Day night, each time you enter Church and pray six times the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be. The usual conditions for a Plenary Indulgence apply. (Holy Communion and Confessions within a week of All Souls, and Perfect Contrition)



# THREE DAYS OF GLORY



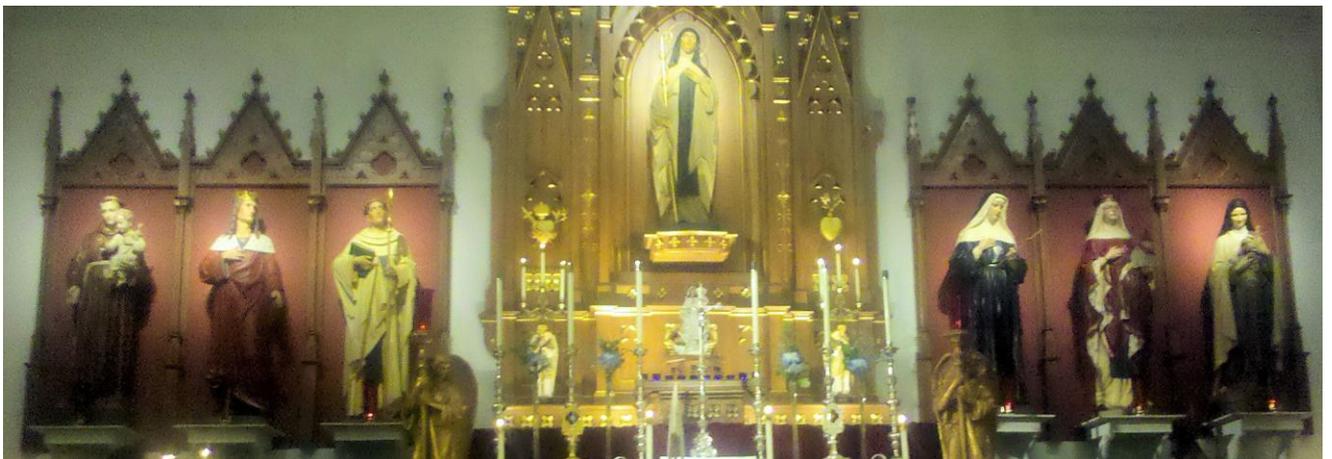
# THE GERTRUDIAN

DEDICATED TO HELPING YOU KNOW OUR CHURCH BETTER.

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**D***id You Know...?* *THE GERTRUDIAN* has learned from Bishop Dolan that the most common questions he receives regarding the church's interior are "Who are those saints?" and "Where did those statues come from?" Most often the questions are referring to the large figures above and behind the main altar. Fortunately we know a lot about them as you are about to find out... so hold on to your seats.

On page 161 of Father Cekada's book *Work of Human Hands*, we learn that some of the statues came from Saint Stanislaus Church in Bay City, Michigan. In 2003 they were moved from the old SGG church in Sharonville to their current location in West Chester. (Father's book contains additional interesting statue information and is available in the church bookstore or online from Philothea Press at [www.philotheapress.com](http://www.philotheapress.com).) In addition, His Excellency believes some of the statues are made of wood and were probably hand-carved in Poland.



From left to right: **Saint Anthony of Padua** (1195-1231). Thirty-two years after his death St. Anthony's body was exhumed and found to be corrupt except his tongue, which was as fresh as the day he died. This favor was given by God because by his

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tongue he was “a hammer of heretics.” **Saint Louis IX** (1214 –1270), the only canonized king of France who fought in the Seventh and Eighth Crusades. (We named this saint St. Louis, when he came to us, but are now pretty sure he’s really **Saint Casimir**, a patron of Poland and of youth.) **Saint Bernard** (1090-1153), second founder of the Cistercian order and Doctor of the Church. He was offered three bishoprics, each of which he declined in his humility. He is often portrayed in art with three mitres at his feet. **Saint Gertrude the Great** (1256-1302) died in Helfta, Germany, which is why we have a Helfta Hall here at SGG. She was a mystic who once had a vision of Our Lord, in which He invited her to rest her head on His breast to hear the beating of His heart. **Saint Rita** (1386-1456) said, "Please let me suffer like you, Divine Saviour." Suddenly, a thorn from a crucifix fell from the crown of thorns and stuck in Rita's forehead. As a result depictions of St. Rita often show a forehead wound. **Saint Hedwig** (1174-1243), Duchess of Silesia, endowed and founded numerous monasteries, convents and hospitals, personally tended to the care of lepers, and spent her royal widowhood in a humble religious habit, in constant prayer and mortification and continued charitable care of the sick and poor. Bishop Dolan remembers as a boy being impressed with how she heard Mass after Mass all morning long, and always on her knees. **Saint Thérèse of Lisieux** (1873-1897) better known as the Little Flower of the Child Jesus. In her quest for sanctity, she believed that it was not necessary to accomplish heroic acts. She wrote, *"Love proves itself by deeds, so how am I to show my love? Great deeds are forbidden me. The only way I can prove my love is by scattering flowers and these flowers are every little sacrifice, every glance and word, and the doing of the least actions for love."* This “little way” of St. Thérèse is the foundation of her spirituality.

One thing our saints have in common: all are holding something. **Identify what each has in their hands.** [First two who e-mail correct answers get \\$5 cash.](#) You may ask a priest or sacristan for help. Fathers McGuire and Larrabee are most eager to help.

Previous contest winners: **Carolyn McClorey** and **Veronica Briggs** found the errors in issue #2 and each won \$5. Carolyn graciously asked us to give her winnings to SGG school's new second grade teacher **Michelle Mikesell**. *THE GERTRUDIAN* staff had another surprise: it turns out there were more than two errors!

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