

# ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MARCH 13, 2011 • LENT I •

### **Blessing of Religious Articles:**

First Sunday of the month after all Masses, at communion rail.

### **Blessing of Expectant Mothers:**

Third Sunday of the month after all Masses.

**Rosary Chain:** To request prayers for your special intentions or needs, or to assist in the Rosary Chain, please call the office.

**Baptisms:** Saturday morning by appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsor (only one sponsor is required) must be practicing Roman Catholics who do not belong to the Novus Ordo Religion. Novus Ordo and non-practicing Catholics may not serve as sponsors. The Church will provide a sponsor in case of necessity. The Churching of New Mothers follows the baptismal ceremony. Please make arrangements through the church office.

### **Mass Intentions:**

Individual Mass intentions as well as Purgatorial Society enrollments are available in the vestibule, and may be given in with the collection or at the office.



*And behold, angels came and ministered to Him.*

**Dress Code:** Ladies—Please wear a modest dress and a head-covering. No tight fitting, low-cut, short, slit, or sleeveless dresses. No pants or shorts. Men & Boys—Please wear a shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes. No T-shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, tennis shoes, sneakers, shorts, jeans or Sports logo jackets.

### **New at St. Gertrude's?**

Welcome! In the vestibule you'll find a pamphlet explaining the traditional rules observed here for the reception of Holy Communion. There is also a Visitor's Card to fill out if you want more information on St. Gertrude's or on the traditional Latin Mass. A free information packet on the traditional Latin Mass is available to newcomers. Stop by the Social Hall after Mass for refreshments.

### **Catholic Books & Religious Articles:**

A fine selection is available in the Gift Shop after the Masses on Sunday.

**Registration:** Please complete a card at the Gift Shop or phone the church. Collection envelopes will be mailed.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MARCH 13, 2011 • LENT I •**

 Today is the Solemn Sunday opening of Lent, the Church's Angel Sunday. Catechism classes are at 10:40 AM, offered for both children and adults. The **ushers** will distribute the **Lenten Offering Folders** today at Mass. Please take one and fill it out as a little Lenten Sacrifice, and return it to church on Good Friday. All current and former **Rosary Confraternity** members are invited to enjoy some coffee and cake this afternoon at **3:15 PM** as we discuss our future plans. We conclude with the recitation of the Rosary at **4:25 PM**. **Lenten Vespers and Benediction** are at **4:45 PM**: an excellent Lenten practice.

### **EMBER DAYS**

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week are the Lenten Ember Days. All Catholics, age seven and older, must keep the abstinence, partial on Wednesday and Saturday, total on Friday. All those between the ages of 21 and 59 are obliged to follow the Church laws of fast—one full meal a day.

### **KNIGHTS AND MAIDENS**

Our youth groups will meet at church at **3:30 PM Monday**. Please note the time. Our young ladies will be learning about the St. Joseph Table, and helping to prepare ours with some crafty crafts. Parents, be sure your boys and girls get in on these wonderful activities.

### **TO BURY THE DEAD**

Monday's Lenten Gospel stresses the Works of Mercy, required for our salvation. Once again, I ask you to join me in performing one. Let us give Craig Byrne the proper **Catholic** funeral his family denied him. **Rosary** is at **11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 15**, followed by the Requiem Mass, Absolution, and burial prayers. And in your charity please continue to pray for the repose of his soul and all of our dead.

### **ST PATRICK'S DAY**

 Be sure to wear a little green (to church, of course!) for the Patron Saint of the Irish on Thursday. Masses are at **8 and 11:20 AM** (a special High Mass) and **5:00 PM**. The fast is traditionally dispensed on St. Patrick's Day.

### **ST. JOSEPH'S DAY**

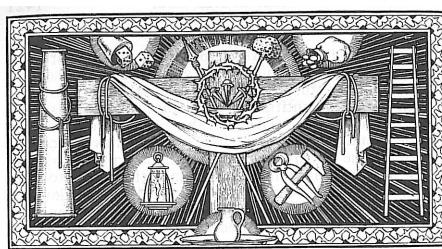
 Come, honor great St. Joseph with us! Another special Mass will be sung by our students at **8 AM** Saturday, followed by a little procession to the St. Joseph's Table in Helfta Hall, and the blessing of bread. Bring some food to share with the poor, or bread to be blessed for his feast. A continental breakfast is offered afterwards. The fast is dispensed for those who attend.

### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Set your Missal:** Lent II, with the Collects of Our Lady and the Saints, and for the Living and the Dead, Lenten Preface. **Vespers and Benediction** are at **4:45 PM**.

### **CONFessions**

We are often happy to hear Confession **during** Sunday Mass, priests permitting. Sometimes, however, this is not possible. To be on the safe side, always come early, before Mass, to insure your confession will be heard.



*"When I am near Him I would gladly crawl in the mud to pay Him homage. I'd jump into a furnace if I could get a spark of that infinite love which made Him give us this great Sacrament."*

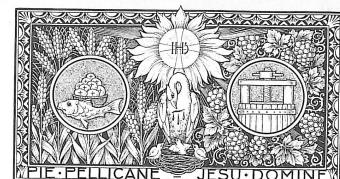
—ST. DOMINIC SAVIO



### **March Our Beloved Dead**

Name	Date of Death
Meyer, Lucy G.	3-03-1988
Bischak, Catherine J.	3-05-2005
Charles, Claude E.	3-10-1990
Kolb, John J.	3-10-2004
Sandmayr, Margaret	3-17-2006
Spicer, Dorothy B.	3-18-1986
Ryan, Marilyn L.	3-21-1997
Elmlinger, Howard	3-22-1990
Smith, William J.	3-25-2003
Grimes, Jack	3-27-1993

**St. Gabriel, lover of penance,  
obtain for all weak and fallen-away  
Catholics the grace of true repentance  
and a fervent return to the Sacraments.**



### **Servers MARCH 14 - MARCH 20, 2011**

FRI	3/18	5:45 PM Low: J. Soli, T. & J. Simpson
SAT	3/19	7:30 AM Low: C. Simpson 8:00 AM Low: School Servers, T. & S. Simpson, M. Briggs
SUN	3/20	7:30 AM Low: S. & D. Brueggemann 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, J. Soli Th: B. Lotarski ACs: S. & L. Arlinghaus TORCH: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, P. Lawrence, N. McClorey, J. Simpson, A. Richesson 11:30 AM Low: A.D. Kinnett, P. Lotarski 4:45 PM VESPERS: Simpsons, G. Miller 5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

### **Ushers**

#### **MARCH 20, 2011**

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

### **Collection Report**

Sunday March 6th .....	\$3,400.50
Second Collection .....	\$1,088.50

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

### **Masses Offered by Fr. Cekada at the Seminary**

Special Intention (*Barb Steinmetz*)  
Souls in Purgatory (*Connie Kamphaus*)  
Thomas Michael Peter (*John Seyfried*)  
†Tom Peter (*The McClorey Family*)

## ✚ THE CALENDAR

MON	3/14/11	FERIAL DAY
	11:20 AM	Low Mass Scott Wright ( <i>Loretta Golimowski</i> )
	12:15 PM	Vespers
	3:30 PM	Maidens of the Immaculate Heart and Knights of the Sacred Heart
TUES	3/15/11	FERIAL DAY ST CLEMENT MARY HOFBAUER
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Kathleen K. Edwards ( <i>S. &amp; C. Niehaus</i> )
	11:00 AM	Rosary for †Craig Byrne
	11:20 AM	Requiem High Mass and Absolution †Craig Byrne
	12:30 PM	Vespers
	5:00 PM	Low Mass In Honor of St. Anthony of Padua for Mom & Dad ( <i>A.M. Omlor</i> )
WED	3/16/11	EMBER WEDNESDAY ( <i>Partial Abstinence for All</i> )
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Gerald Muething ( <i>Brendan Blase</i> )
	11:20 AM	High Mass Cucina Clerical For Our Cooks ( <i>The Fathers</i> )
	12:20 PM	Vespers
	3:00 PM	Children's Stations and Holy Communion
	4:00 PM	(N.B. Special Time) Low Mass Souls in Purgatory ( <i>Connie Kamphaus</i> )
	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
THURS	3/17/11	ST PATRICK, BpC
		ST JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †William Bonace ( <i>P. Bonace</i> )
	11:20 AM	High Mass Irish Poor Souls, in honor of St. Patrick
	12:20 PM	Vespers
	5:00 PM	Low Mass In Honor of our Mother of Perpetual Help and for the Poor Souls (Patrick Omlor)
FRI	3/18/11	ST CYRIL OF JERUSALEM, BpCD
		EMBER FRIDAY - THE LANCE AND NAILS
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Pro iter agentibus ( <i>Fr. Cekada</i> )
	10:55 AM	Confessions
	11:20 AM	Low Mass Special Intention ( <i>R. Uhlenbrock</i> )
	5:15 PM	Confessions and Rosary
	5:45 PM	Low Mass In Honor of the Infant of Prague for Mom & Dad ( <i>A.M. Omlor</i> )
	6:45 PM	Parish Pot Luck Lenten Supper
	7:30 PM	Lenten Holy Hour: Stations, Candlelight Meditation, Sorrowful Mother Novena V, Blessing of the Sick and Benediction with Sacred Heart Novena, Holy Communion, Confessions
SAT	3/19/11	ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF OUR LADY
		EMBER SATURDAY
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered ( <i>Simpson Family</i> )
	8:00 AM	Sermon and High Mass †Bernie Brueggemann - month's mind ( <i>St. Gertrude the Great School</i> ) followed by Blessing of the Bread and St. Joseph Breakfast

## ✚ BISHOP'S CORNER

Our latest of Lent got off to a good rainy start on Wednesday. Rain sometimes symbolizes an abundance of heavenly blessings (on a wedding day, for example) and our Ash Wednesday was full of graces. How many of you made the sacrifice to come through the dark and the rain to receive your ashes and begin your Lent with prayer! May good St. Joseph reward you with perseverance all the way through the victory of Easter.



Our school children had their little Mardi Gras celebration before Lent, as did your clergy. But our penance is barely begun this Lent, and already it is suspended on Thursday in favor of the great Saint of the Irish, Patrick. St. Joseph's celebration is customarily a bit more sober (pun intended) and spiritual, rather than spirituous. Hear Mass for these great saints. Come to daily Mass in Lent. Be generous with the good God.

We have lost another faithful, loyal layman of St. Gertrude, the last of the too-long list which started in November with Ed Sayre, and includes Fred Hauserman, Richard Weik, Ernie Nellenbach and Bernie Brueggemann. Craig Byrne was a faithful of the 7:30 Mass, and used to lead the Rosary. He and his wife celebrated their Golden Anniversary with us back in Sharonville. When he could no longer come, he still for a long time sent in his envelope regularly, and the priests visited him with Holy Communion. He died on Saturday, February 26th. His family, taking no chances, informed us neither of his dying, nor of his death, until he was buried. I think there was a Novus Ordo clergyman, a family relative, involved. These things are some of the great sadnesses of life. God's will be done. We will offer yet another Requiem **in absentia** on Tuesday. May Craig rest in peace. Remember him, and pray for him. Oh, and resolve this won't happen to you. Make your arrangements now.

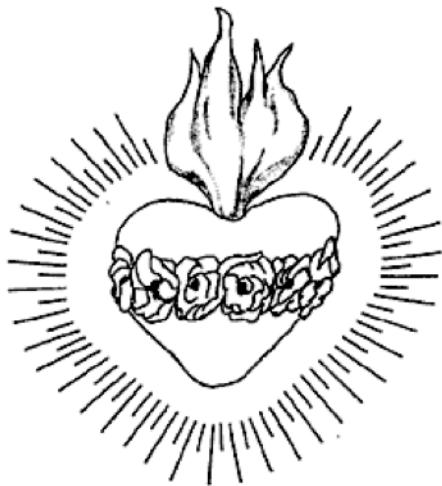
We have a moderately busy Lent planned for you. I'm sending home a Lenten calendar today, as well as the little Lenten daily devotional, as we do each year. Take advantage of **something** this Lent, won't you? It's raining with opportunities for holiness. Put your bucket out, and gather some graces these forty days. It's as easy as that.

May St. Joseph guide you.

-Bishop Dolan

SUN	3/20/11	LENT II
	7:30 AM	Low Mass Our Nephew Joseph Brueggemann ( <i>Regina and Ken Gilliam</i> )
	9:00 AM	High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude
	10:40 AM	Sunday Classes
	11:30 AM	Low Mass †Ralph Patton, Birthday Remembrance. We Miss You ( <i>The Patton Family</i> )
	4:45 PM	Lenten Vespers and Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass †Ferd Niehaus ( <i>DJR</i> )

# MAIDENS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART



Saint Gertrude's new club for girls,  
*Maidens of the Immaculate Heart,*  
will be meeting on  
Monday, March 14, 2011  
from 3:30pm - 5:00/5:30pm  
in Helfta Hall.

Girls of all ages are invited to come join us for  
some crafts, snacks and socializing  
and to help us plan future activities.

Hope to see you there!

**Words of Our Lady to Venerable Mary of Agreda**

"The children of the world are ignorant regarding the privileges and rights which the Most High has conferred on my holy spouse, and the power of his intercession with the Divine Majesty and with me. But I assure you, my daughter, that in Heaven he is most intimate with the Lord, and has great power to avert the punishment of Divine justice from sinners. *In all trials seek his intercession, because the Heavenly Father will grant whatever my spouse asks.*"

"On the Day of Judgement, the condemned will weep bitterly for not having realized how powerful and efficacious a means of salvation they might have had in the intercession of St. Joseph, and for not having done their utmost to gain the friendship of the Eternal Judge."

**PRAYER TO OBTAIN A CONVERSION**

O Glorious Patriarch St. Joseph, who merited to be called "just" by the Holy Ghost, I urgently recommend to thee the soul of (*Name*), which Jesus redeemed at the price of His Precious Blood.

Thou knowest how deplorable is the state and how unhappy the life of those who have banished this loving Saviour from their hearts, and how greatly they are exposed to the danger of losing Him eternally. Permit not, I beseech thee, that a soul so dear to me should continue any longer in its evil ways; preserve it from the danger that threatens it; touch the heart of this prodigal child and conduct him back to the bosom of the fondest of fathers. Abandon him not, I implore thee, till thou hast opened to him the gates of the heavenly city, where he will praise and bless thee throughout eternity for the happiness which he will owe to thy powerful intercession. Amen.

**STATIONS IN LENT**

At **3:00 PM** on **Wednesdays**, we offer the traditional Children's Stations of the Cross and Holy Communion.

At **7:30 PM** every **Friday** in Lent we offer the Stations of the Cross, Candlelight Meditation, Sorrowful Mother Novena and Blessing of the Sick, Benediction and Holy Communion.

**LENTEN FRIDAYS**

Every Friday in Lent we offer our regular Mass at **5:45 PM**, followed by a potluck supper. You're welcome to make a donation, or bring a dish to share with others. This Friday is pizza night, so relish trays and salad would be welcome. At **7:30 PM** we have have our Lenten Holy Hour with Way of the Cross, Novena and Benediction. Come participate in this wonderful tradition at St. Gertrude the Great.

**CHILDREN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

This year our Children's Day of Recollection will take place on Wednesday, March 30th, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, for both Grade School and High School Students. Separate spiritual talks will be given for both groups. Please make every effort to have your children attend this spiritually enriching day. Please call the school (513-645-4216) by Monday, March 28th, to let us know if you plan to attend. A lunch will be provided. No charge!

**VESPERS**

The Church's official prayer, ranking second only to the Mass itself, is the Divine Office. The evening, or Vespers portion, is composed of chanted psalms, a hymn, and Mary's Magnificat, with prayers. Vespers is often sung on Sundays. During Lent, our school boys join the priests in the custom of "Fasting Vespers," sung after the school Mass and before lunch. A translation is generally provided, and you would be surprised at the beauty of this service.

**GIRLS CAMP**

Girls camp 2010 DVDs are on sale in the bookstore for \$3.00 each. Proceeds will benefit our 2011 Girls' Camp coming this summer July 6th, 7th and 8th.

**SCHOOL SUPPORT**

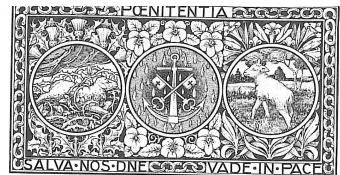
Please continue to bring in BoxTops and Campbell's Soup labels. Our collection so far is going well. Thanks for all your help!



**THE HOLY FACE**

O My Jesus, cast upon us a look of mercy; turn Thy Face towards each of us, as Thou didst to Veronica, not that we may see it with our bodily eyes, for this we do not deserve, but turn it towards our hearts, so that, remembering Thee, we may ever draw from this fountain of strength the vigor necessary to sustain the combats of life. Amen.

*-Pope Pius IX*



Sister Mary of St. Peter wrote "He made me understand the excellence of the work of Reparation, how it surpasses other devotions, how agreeable it is to God and to the Angels and Saints and how salutary to the Church."

Let us then have great confidence. Our Lord's all-powerful Name will be our shield and His adorable Face our rampart. Let us by our love fulfill Jesus' wish to see the Devotion to His Holy Face most zealously prorogated.

## POETRY CORNER

### DUNBLANE [1] CATHEDRAL [2]

(By: JOSEPH CHARLES MCKENZIE)

16 March 1996 [3]

LOVE's light lost the bleak night breathes a black breeze of loss.  
The dread dawn dons dusk's vale. "Is death dead?" the bells  
Ask across the mourning morn's moors. The sound swells,  
Ignoring Mary's anguish at the child-God's Cross.

My horror walks in hermit's weeds where children stepped,  
My skull's sick sky sinks shaken shocked beyond the leaves  
Light lilting leeward as my grieving silence weaves  
A wreath of white where once a tortured heaven wept.

Your quiet walls and choir stalls [4] fall muffled muted,  
As all around resound your bells whose concerts call  
Only the broken to an altered altar's gall  
Their proud pearl peels by palsied pain's pall diluted.

A cold enfolding sigh of waning winter's white  
Wails a winding-sheet of wind over the wide waste.  
With ice-frosted moss the year's grey gown is laced  
And spring entombed awaits the blooming of the light.

Come, pure hands! Come, sinless hands! Gather the world's birth  
Of glad glowing firstlings to the day's faultless flock.  
And come, guiltless Heart, guide us to your sacred rock  
Whence your bright beam's gleam breaks across the planet's girth!

For the mid-March musings of the marsh marges melt  
The slow-flowing Allan. The swift-sweeping swallow  
Swerves now, now swoops swinging above my dark fallow  
Dreams the singing ark of endlessness where once dwelt

The children. O green grace wrapped in the bud's tight fold!  
O writhing world, how my woe-weary Virgin grieves!  
O red wreath of wrath wrought of thorns and new-born leaves!  
O shepherd's warm wounds wrung on gleaming glens of gold!

Mothers and midwives of Levi! [5] The Nile floods fill  
With your tears. For, your fair rows of white roses  
The Pharaoh's anger drowns [6] in brown streams, while Moses  
Wends his sweet wean's way by the Weaver's hand and will.

And Rachel's vain veiled voice from Ramah's ramparts cries [7]  
To Bethlehem, as the swords' fierce fire falls like rain  
On milk-fed flesh of silk. Though Herods reign,  
My Savior roves through red ravines and ravaged skies,

Fleeing into Egypt. [8] Though the slayers of stars  
Slithering slink like slick serpents through the slow slime  
Of senselessness; though smiling America's grime  
Smudges our song with its grim grisly sludge and scars

The infinite in man; though Beauty's butchers crown  
Their barren brows with manufactured tinsel-boughs,  
While a stark starving world in prostrate bondage bows  
Before the lords of emptiness and false renown;

Though swine-faced fakes swindle faith from feigned pulpit-chairs,

Parading chained eternity on auction-blocks,  
While private spite behind a seraph's mask mocks  
The souls it splits and spits upon with pious airs;

Though trite trivial trifles triumph over Truth  
And artists assist assassins of the sublime;  
Though we are slapped and slashed and sliced and slugged  
while Time  
Lies blank and bleeding in the gardens of our youth,

Yet we are returning forever, with arms full  
Of everyday flowers, waving the old ways home.  
We run beneath our secret suns, but never roam  
Too far from the folds of familiar wool.

From Bute's [9] mute stones He shall run with us again,  
O partisans of miracles! Our crossed kites rise  
Wafted on west wind's wing beyond our Scottish skies  
That once wondered on a child touched by gentle Blane. [10]

...And I hear their green music through the tortured leaves.

*Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei genetrix,*

**Ora Pro Nobis, sancta Dei genetrix.**

...And I hear their green music through the tortured leaves.

11 August 1996 [11]

[1] Township of County Perthshire, off the Water of Allan near Stirling.

[2] Of this majestic monument to the Catholic faith, John Ruskin wrote: "I know not anything so perfect in its simplicity and so beautiful, as far as it reaches, in all the Gothic."

[3] On this date, at approximately 9:30 a.m., a 43-year-old gunman stormed into the gymnasium of the Dunblane Primary School and opened fire on a class of five- and six-year-old kindergarten students. Sixteen children and their teacher were murdered. Author began poem on this date.

[4] Sir Robert Lorimer (1864-1929), the celebrated British architect, added a beautiful addition to the superlative 15th century choir stalls of Dunblane Cathedral during the restorations he undertook there with his colleague Anderson.

[5] Exodus 1, 15-20: *The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Siphra and Puah: "When you help the Hebrew women in childbirth and observe them on the delivery stool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live."*

[6] Exodus 1, 22: *Then Pharaoh gave his orders to all the people: "Every boy that is born you must throw into the river, but let every girl live."*

[7] Matthew 2, 16-18: *When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:*

*A voice is heard in Ramah,  
weeping and great mourning,  
Rachel weeping for her children  
and refusing to be comforted,  
because they are no more.*

[8] Matthew 2, 3: *When the Magi had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Arise," he said, "take the child and his mother, and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him."*

[9] The Island of Bute in the Firth of Clyde, between Arran and the Cowall district of Argyll. Near the iron Age fortress of Dunagoil are the stone remains of St. Blane's Chapel dating to the beginning of the 12th century.

[10] St. Blane, or Blaan, was born on the Island of Buta circa 590 AD. A nephew of St. Cathan, he became a monk in Ireland under the instruction of Saints Comgall and Canice; made a holy pilgrimage to Rome; returned by foot through England; was consecrated bishop, and founded a monastery near the Water of Allan (present-day Dunblane). One of the many miracles for which he is renowned in Scotland was the raising of a child from the dead. Indeed, the one child surviving the massacre of 1996 was lifted up from among a pile of the dead where he had hid himself during the incident.

[11] The traditional feast of St. Blane and date of the poem's completion (unbeknownst to the author until several months later).