

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

§AUGUST 21, 2011 • PENTECOST X •  
ST JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL •  
WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE  
ASSUMPTION •

The **Blessing of Expectant Mothers** is available after all Masses. Visit our gift shop for some good late summer reading. Come back to Helfta Hall for a donut and a cup of coffee, and maybe a little socializing, after Mass today.

This afternoon we open the feast of Mary's Immaculate Heart with **Vespers** recited at **5:00 PM**, followed by devotions and **Benediction**.

### §THIS WEEK:

**Monday's** Octave Day of the Assumption is marked by the reparatory feast of the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**. Start your day, or end it, with Holy Mass. The tenth of our **Tuesdays** with **St. Anthony**, with **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**, is observed after the Masses of **St. Philip Benizi**, a Sorrowful Mother saint. The great **Bartholomew the Apostle** should receive out devout homage on **Wednesday**. **Friday** evening **Mass** and **Benediction** should bring out more folk, as well as **Our Lady's** two feasts on **Saturday: Her Seven Joys** and **Health of the Sick**.

### §NEXT SUNDAY:

*Set your missal:* Pentecost XI, St. Augustine and St. Hermes, with the Trinity Preface.

Vespers and Benediction are at the regular time of 4:45 PM.

### §SICK AND MORE

Please pray for Diane Powell, Lorraine Gates, Althea LeBlanc and all of our sick and shut in, as well for several special intentions for our young people, the sick and the dying.

*To Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in Thee, O my God, I put my trust, let me not be ashamed: neither let my enemies laugh at me: for none of them that wait on Thee shall be confounded.*

### §CONSOLATION FOR COOKS

A Franciscan lay brother who was cook, when he had thoroughly performed the work of his charge, used to retire to prayer, in which he enjoyed many heavenly consolations. To enjoy more of these, he asked and obtained from his Superior permission to give up his distracting occupation; then giving himself entirely to prayer, he found in it nothing but aridity and distractions. Seeing his mistake, he returned to his former work, when the lost consolations immediately came back.

*You'd probably get even **more** heavenly consolation if you'd charitably cook a meal for the clergy. We could do with one per Sunday, and two more for the week. (Three would probably make us fat!) (Just kidding!) Log onto cucina clerical, or call the office to coordinate dates.*

*God the Holy Ghost console you!*

—Bishop Dolan

*Even little actions are great when they are done well; so that a little action done with desire to please God is more acceptable to Him, and gives Him more glory, than a great work done with less fervor. We must, then, give particular attention to perform well the little works, which are easiest, and are constantly within our reach, if we wish to advance in friendship with God.*

—St. Francis de Sales

### Ushers

AUGUST 28, 2011

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

### Collection Report

Sunday August 14th .....\$3,001.50  
Monday August 15th .....\$1,358.50

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

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

### Her Crowning

When Jesus crowned His Mother  
Queen

Of all His Father's kingdom fair,  
Such joy in heaven never had been.  
When Jesus crowned His Mother  
Queen,  
Grey hues enveiled this orb terrene.

Remembered were her love and care  
When Jesus crowned His Mother  
Queen

Of all His Father's kingdom fair.

The angels sang their sweetest strain

When Jesus crowned His Mother  
Queen

And gave her power in heaven to reign.  
The angels sang their sweetest strain,  
To banish memory of her pain

When her Son died two thieves  
between,

The angels sang their sweetest strain

When Jesus crowned His Mother  
Queen.

And she who never pleads in vain

To God, her Saviour and her Son,  
Once saw that Son for sinners slain.

And she who never pleads in vain  
Can never plea or prayer disdain

Till memories of earth are flown;

For Mary never pleads in vain

To God, her Saviour and her Son.

—Magdalen Rock



### Serbers

AUGUST 22 - AUGUST 28, 2011

•MON 8/22 9:00 AM HIGH: MC: B. Lotarski, AC: J. Lacy,  
J. Simpson TH: T. Simpson  
•FRI 8/26 8:00 AM LOW: B. Lotarski, J. Lacy  
5:45 PM LOW: T. & J. Simpson, J. Gunsher  
•SAT 8/27 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons  
8:15 AM LOW: M. Briggs  
•SUN 8/28 7:30 AM LOW: A. & S. Brueggemann  
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt,  
Rev. Mr. Lehtoranta ACs: A. Richesson, P. Lawrence  
TH: A. Lawrence  
TORCH: A. Soli, J. & J. Morgan, N. Kuebler,  
M. Simpson, J. Lacy  
11:30 AM LOW: F. & N. Puglielli  
4:45 PM VESPERS AND BENEDICTION: G. Miller,  
Seminarians  
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Weekday webcast Masses are marked with a 

- MON 8/22/11 IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY  
ST TIMOTHY & COMP., MM**
-  **9:00 AM High Mass** Immaculate Heart of Mary - Poor Souls  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** In honor of our M.P.H. and relief of all holy souls (*Patrick Omlor*)
- TUE 8/23/11 ST. PHILIP BENIZI, C  
VIGIL OF ST BARTHOLOMEW  
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP AND ST ANTHONY DEVOTIONS AFTER BOTH MASSES**
-  **8:00 AM Low Mass** †Eugene Martin (*M/M Mark Lotarski & Family*)  
**9:00 AM Low Mass** For the Consolation & deliverance into Heaven of the Souls in Purgatory (*Rose & Nick Manno*)  
**4:00 PM Low Mass** Extended Morris-Niehaus family living & deceased (*S.&C. Niehaus*)
- WED 8/24/11 ST. BARTHOLOMEW, AP**
-  **8:00 AM Low Mass** In honor of our M.P.H. and relief of all Holy Souls (*Patrick Omlor*)  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** Poor Souls - Gratitude Honor BVM, St. Anthony for our Benefactors (*DJR*)
- THUR 8/25/11 ST LOUIS, KING, C**
-  **8:00 AM Low Mass** For the Poor Souls (*Kuebler*)  
**11:20 AM Low Mass** Debbie Wilker - Special Intention (*Katie Bischak*)  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** Becky & H.O. Hinton - Special Intention (*Katie Bischak*)
- FRI 8/26/11 ST ZEPHYRINUS, PM**
-  **8:00 AM Low Mass** Mary Montello (*Karen Puglielli*)  
**5:15 PM Rosary and Confessions**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** In honor of the Assumption, for the People of St. Gertrude  
**6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction and Confessions**
- SAT 8/27/11 ST JOSEPH CALASANCTIUS, C  
SEVEN JOYS OF OUR LADY**
- 7:15 AM Confessions**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** Honor of St. Joseph-Thanksgiving (*Tom & Stella Simpson*)  
**8:05 AM Sermon, Devotions**  
**8:15 AM Low Mass** The Poor Souls (*Regina Gilliam*)
- SUN 8/28/11 PENTECOST XI  
ST. AUGUSTINE, BPCD**
- 7:30 AM Low Mass** †Francis William Boeskin (*M/M Victor Ritze*)  
**9:00 AM High Mass** †Michael Hinton - Special Intention (*Kirby & Jean Bischel*)  
**11:30 AM Low Mass** In Honor of the Precious Blood and Holy Face (*Beckie Mattingly*)  
**4:45 PM Vespers and Benediction**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** For the People of St. Gertrude

## FOR THE SAKE OF THE CHILDREN

We know by faith that Christ is in our own family; it is He whom we foster in our children. When you tell your child a story, when you play a game with your little son, you tell a story, you play a game with the Christ Child. One of our commonest natural experiences of the sense of loss is tiredness: it empties us out; it is almost as if we had let the infant fall from our hands. It is useless to flog a tired mind, useless to reproach a tired heart; the only way to God, when we are tired out, is the simplest wordless act of faith. A woman too weary for articulate prayer will find that for her the best of all prayer is the unspoken act of faith in Christ in her children. When she knows that she is setting the table and baking the cake for the Christ Child, her soul will be at rest.

When Our Lady's little boy tumbled and grazed His knees, what acts of faith she must have made as she bathed them - faith like that which enabled her to believe, when she saw the Son of God fall beneath the cross and could not pick Him up. Awareness of the presence of the Divine Child in us draws us off from every distracting and destructive preoccupation, such as self-pity, anxiety, irritability with other people, the morbidity which leads us to dwell more upon our own sinfulness than upon the beauty of God. In the wonder of this awareness, we are able to accept the humiliation of being ourselves.

—Caryll Houselander  
*Caryll Houselander (†1954) was a British mystic, poet, and spiritual teacher.*

### Our Beloved Dead

Name	Date of Death
Sue Nies	8-01-2011
Joanna Forms	8-01-2011
Edward H. Staarmann	8-03-1981
Helen Mary (Currin) Jackson	8-11-2003
Barbara Ann Desborough	8-17-1993
Regina Marie Rose Shawhan	8-18-1989
Earl Joseph Desborough	8-22-1983



**Mary is the most beautiful flower that ever was seen in the spiritual world.**

— Cardinal Newman

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## ✠ IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY ✠

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*In the midst of the second world war Pope Pius XII put the whole world under the special protection of our Saviour's Mother by consecrating it to her Immaculate Heart, and in 1944 he decreed that in future the whole Church should celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on August 22, formerly the Octave day of the*

*Assumption. This is not a new devotion. In the seventeenth century, St. John Eudes preached it together with that of the Sacred Heart; in the nineteenth, Pius VII and Pius IX allowed several churches to celebrate a feast of the Pure Heart of Mary, fixed first on the Sunday in the Octave of the Assumption, and later on the Saturday following the feast of the Sacred Heart.*

*Pius XII instituted the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary for the whole Church, so as to obtain by her intercession:*

**"PEACE AMONG NATIONS, FREEDOM FOR THE CHURCH,  
THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS, THE LOVE OF PURITY AND  
THE PRACTICE OF VIRTUE."  
(DECREE OF MAY 4, 1944)**

***O Immaculata, we long to know you better and better, and to love you more ardently without any limit whatsoever. We desire to tell other souls who you are, that they might come to know you ever more perfectly and to love you all the more fervently. We yearn for you to become the Queen of all hearts that are beating on earth and that will ever beat, and for this to happen as quickly as possible.***

*—Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, O.F.M. Conv.*



*Almighty and everlasting God, who in the heart of the blessed Virgin Mary didst prepare a dwelling worthy of the Holy Ghost; grant in Thy mercy, that we who with devout minds celebrate the festival of that immaculate heart, may be able to live according to Thine own Heart.*

Since the first drop of Christ's Blood came, in a manner of speaking, from the heart of Mary, it was fitting that her heart should have been all pure. But, as in devotion to the Sacred Heart, this term refers to the Blessed Virgin in her entirety. The word "immaculate" emphasizes what Mary means to us who lost grace through our first parents. She is, as the Protestant poet Wordsworth exclaimed: "Our tainted nature's solitary boast." Most of the world's population (including Mohammedans) believe that she was immaculate, or sinless. Devotionally we try to apply this "immaculateness" to ourselves that we may the more worthily, confidently, easily plunge ourselves into the Sacred Heart of Christ.

### THE SIGN OF OUR PERFECT CONSECRATION TO MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART

The modern form of devotion to Mary is Consecration. Pius XII consecrated the entire world to Her Immaculate Heart and, by word and example, he encouraged this form of devotion to Her. In 1950, in his letter commemorating the Seventh Centenary of the Brown Scapular, he wrote the now famous words concerning the Scapular: "...*may it be to them a Sign of their Consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of the Immaculate Virgin, which (consecration) in recent times we have so strongly recommended.*"

Also in 1950, Sister Lucia was asked why Our Lady held the Scapular in Her hands in the final vision at Fatima, and she answered: "*Because She wants everyone to wear the scapular.*"

When pressed for a further explanation, Sister Lucia said: "...*because it is our sign of consecration to Her Immaculate Heart.*"



*O most blessed and sweet Virgin Mary...on this day and all the days of my life, I entrust to your merciful heart my body and my soul.*

*—Saint Thomas Aquinas*

God has given her to us for these very days as the last means of salvation, the final refuge of His persecuted and oppressed children. Mary has a great role to play in the life of the Church and of every individual because God willed it so and not otherwise. The more deeply we penetrate into the mystery of Mary, the more we become inflamed with love for her. **When Mary proclaims that, in the end, her Immaculate Heart will triumph, then all who live in the Heart of Mary will win the victory.** Those most especially consecrated to that Immaculate Heart will be an intimate part of her Triumph!!!

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## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

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We may certainly call these delightful days of August, so moderate after July's heat, "St. Philomena's Summer," for this great miracle worker brought pleasant weather with her for her feast, and left it as a token of the relief she offers her devout clients. Ask her for her help and more by reciting the Creed three times, as she requested, as well as by honoring her with the Rosary. The coolness of the nights lately reminds us Fall is on its way, with Rosary Sunday, and Forty Hours.



As I write this Gino and James are taking advantage of the good weather to retar the parking lot - hot, hard work in any season! John Lotarski is trying to mow the lawn at long last. The mower has been moody of late, and Chip McClorey has devoted many hours to its repair. Eldon and even some of the boys finished mowing by hand the most visible part of the lawn in time for the Assumption. Our procession, under a cool cloud cover went out to Katie's strikingly decorated Lourdes grotto for the Blessing of First Fruits, Herbs and Flowers.

I want to thank all who contributed to spiffing up the grounds and grotto, as well for the cleaning, flowers, and preparation in church. This was surely one of our more solemn and splendid Assumptions. How fitting thus to honor Our Lady for her most ancient and greatest feast!

All day long we honored the Mother of God, from 7 A.M. until 7 P.M. I wish to thank Mark Lotarski and Bede Okechukwu for their invaluable sacristy and sanctuary setup on Sunday, and Katie and Darlene for their long hours. On Monday Mark did the abundant breakfast buffet as well, which more than fed the many who stayed. On Friday, Marlys and the children were a big help for the flowers and more. The Kamphaus family, led by Connie, worked several days on the grounds, especially by the grotto where she and Tom (gone now one year) would pray together.

Our young ladies sang beautifully with Joan Lotarski, Fr. Cekada played sonorously, and many servers served under our capable MC's. **Fr. Larrabee** was our Assistant Priest, and then left for some time with his family in California. Our hopeful and international seminarians, zealous young levites, learned the ancient roles of subdeacon and deacon to a bishop at a faldstool. The children, forty and more in number, did a good job as angels and many blessed flowers and herbs went home. Fr. Cekada concluded the day for the children, and many entertained adults, by gracing us with another crocodile story, his second of the summer, accents included.

Last week we were happy to have a new seminarian from Michigan with us, Robert VanBerge, and offer him and all of our aspirants to the altar, our support and prayers. Fr. Cekada and Katie, with our seminarians, spent a day organizing and moving church things, which are used throughout the year, from the classroom to the new sacristy annex. Gino's addition will save many steps.

This Sunday's services are sung a capella, as Fr. Cekada is in his native Milwaukee at St. Hugh's, and our younger organist Andrew Richesson is away too. So, things are a bit more quiet today. Still, every style of singing and kind of Mass in the Church's tradition has its own beauty, with which we solemnly surround that Sacrifice of submission, through Christ to the Father, which is the perfect prayer of the Mass. Thank you for your Sunday singing at all the Masses, as well as for your quiet reverence every Sunday.

Speaking of that, I've been meaning to remind you to go easy on the kneelers at Communion time. "Crash!! Bang!!!" is neither edifying nor necessary at this holy moment. It's o.k. to raise the kneeler, but do it quietly and by hand, rather than slamming the kneeler with your feet. Let's save the noise for Tenebrae!

Today's Vespers and Benediction and tomorrow's Masses are part of the final plan "for renewing American society." You don't have to send money to politicians, but you should come yourself to reverence and offer reparation to the outraged Immaculate Heart of Mary. **This** is how things will get better. Try it. We need you! Pray the Mass with us, at least in spirit, and the Rosary with the family.

With a blessing in our Blessed Mother's Heart,

—Bishop Dolan

*O my Jesus, have you not said that you did come to cast fire upon the earth, and that you have no greater desire than to kindle all hearts? How is it then that the whole earth is full of hearts like ice? Sin is the sole cause of man's frigid soul.*

—Saint John Eudes



**Much more is accomplished by a single word of the *Pater Noster* said, now and then, from the heart, than by the whole prayer repeated many times in haste and without attention.**



—St. Teresa

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