
St. Gertrude the Great Roman Catholic Church

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Pentecost VII

St Henry, Emperor

July 15, 2012

At the Introit, the Church invites us to give praise to God: *Oh, clap your hands, all ye nations: shout unto God with the voice of joy. For the Lord is most high, he is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth.*

O Lord, guard me from false prophets, heretics, and seducers, and grant me that grace that I may become fruitful in all good works. In flame my heart, that I may adorn my faith with them and thus do the will of the Heavenly Father, Amen.



**The Most Reverend
Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor**

**The Rev. Anthony Cekada
The Rev. Julian Larrabee
The Rev. Charles McGuire**

Traditional Latin Mass

Sunday Masses

**7:30 AM Low Mass
9:00 AM High Mass
11:30 AM Low Mass
5:45 PM Low Mass**

Weekday Masses

See THE CALENDAR inside

New at St. Gertrude's? Welcome! In the vestibule you'll find a pamphlet explaining the traditional rules 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 Catholic Faith and the Latin Mass. A free information packet is available to newcomers; ask an Usher or inquire in the **Gift Shop**. Stop by **Helfta Hall**, our social hall, after Mass for refreshments.

Dress Code: *Ladies & Girls*—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.

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

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 church office.

Votive Candles: You may light candles before the numerous shrines located throughout the main church as well as in the baptistery. The suggested donation for a seven-day votive candle is \$5.00. The suggested donation for six-hour votives is 50 cents.

Confessions: Fridays at 10:55 AM, Friday evenings and Saturday mornings (*please consult THE CALENDAR inside for times*); most Sundays before the morning Masses.

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 Churaching of New Mothers follows the baptismal ceremony.

Blessing of Religious Articles: First Sunday of the month after all Masses.

Blessing of Expectant Mothers: Third Sunday of the month after all Masses.

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

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

☩ JULY 15, 2012 • PENTECOST VII •

ST HENRY II, EMPEROR OF GERMANY

The Blessing of Expectant Mothers is available after all Masses, at the communion rail. You are invited to Helfta Hall after the High Mass to hear a little choral concert offered by the Summer Camp girls, under the direction of our visiting sisters of St. Thomas Aquinas.

☩ THIS WEEK

Please note **Our Lady's Carmelite feast** on **Monday** (8 AM & 5 PM). Remember **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** with good **St. Anthony** on **Tuesday** (8 AM & 5 PM Mass and **Summer Novena**). On **Wednesday**, we begin the annual "charity row" in the calendar. Do *you* know why we call July **18-21** by this curious title? Look up the saints with your children—or spouse—this week, and find out why. Be charitable by hearing Mass during the row, especially on **Friday** evening (5:45 PM with Benediction)

☩ NEXT SUNDAY

Set Your Missal: Pentecost VIII, commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of St. Mary Magdalene, Trinity Preface.



☩ ALTER CHRISTUS

\$70.00 in alms was received this month for Masses for the sanctification and support of priests. Thank you for your generosity.

☩ CHURCH SUPPORT

With vacation and travel during the summer it's easy to overlook things. Please don't forget to mail in your weekly contribution if you are away from home. Our expenses never take a vacation!



☩ BOYS' CAMP...

...is next week! Are you on for it? Please pray for its success.

LUMEN CHRISTI
*The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before
 the Blessed Sacrament for the next
 fortnight for the following intention:*
 †**Stella Simpson**
 (Mr. & Mrs. Maki)

☩ MASS IN NEW ENGLAND

If you are travelling in Connecticut or Rhode Island this summer, visit the new St. Vincent Ferrer Chapel, where new **Fr. Stephen McKenna** offers Mass every Sunday at 5:00 PM:

St. Vincent Ferrer Chapel
 1442 Hopeville Road
 Griswold, CT 06351
Sunday Mass: 5:00 PM

Short Offering of the Precious Blood

With a lively faith, O Jesus, I offer Thee Thy Precious Blood for those who ignore Thee!

With deep reverence, O Jesus, I offer Thee Thy Precious Blood for those who blaspheme Thee!

With profound adoration, O Jesus, I offer Thee Thy Precious Blood for those who hate Thee!

With sentiments of compassion, I offer Thee Thy Precious Blood for those who trample underfoot the price of their Redemption!

*—from "Why is Thy Apparel Red?"
 by Rev. Max F. Walz, C.P.P.S.*

☩ OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL: JULY 16

St. Denis the Carthusian asserts that every year, on Christmas and Easter, the Blessed Virgin descends to Purgatory accompanied by a multitude of angels, and delivers many of the souls confined there; St. Peter Damian thinks that the same also happens on all the feasts of the Blessed Virgin. Well known is the promise which the holy Virgin made to Pope John XXII that she would deliver all those who wore the Scapular of Mount Carmel, from Purgatory on the first Saturday after their death, which was declared by him in his Bull, and was confirmed by Alexander V, Clement VII, Saint Pius V, Gregory XIII and Paul V. Innumerable are the instances of the souls of the dead appearing to the living and testifying that they were delivered from Purgatory by the intercession of the Most Holy Virgin.

—Love of Mary



Our Lady's Promise:

*"Those who are faithful to me
 and wear my scapular will never
 see hell fire."*

Servers: JULY 16-22, 2012

FRI 7/20 5:45 PM Low: Friday Night Servers
SAT 7/21 7:30 AM Low: Simpsons
 7:30 AM Low: Brueggemann Bros.
SUN 7/22 9:00 AM HIGH: GENERAL MC: R. Vande Ryt MASS
 MC: T. Simpson ACS: P. Lawrence, S. Arlinghaus
 TH: J. Simpson TORCH MC: B. Lotarski
 TORCH: J. Lacy, M. Simpson, P. Omlor, T. Lawrence
 11:30 AM Low: A.D. Kinnett, N. McClorey
 5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

| <i>Our Beloved Dead – July</i> | |
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| Name | Date of Death |
| James Paul Peter | 7-04-2003 |
| Melissa C. Brown | 7-05-1985 |
| Clifford A. Breitenstein | 7-11-2004 |
| James N. Zambo | 7-11-1990 |
| Rev. Philip St. Sheridan | 7-14-1990 |
| Joan I. Briggs | 7-15-1990 |
| Mary A. Kolb | 7-15-1997 |
| William J. Bendel | 7-29-2008 |

Collection Report

Sunday, July 8th\$3,465.00

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

Wishers: JULY 22, 2012

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 VOLUNTEER, PLEASE!

'We had tired of confusion'

We had tired of confusion, stupidity, and evil
And so we climbed the mountain to see
From a great height, through clearest air,
The grand design. We saw the abstract
Of experience: the sacred algorithm
That shakes itself into ten thousand forms and lives,
Sets the swarm in motion though it is simple in itself,
Even slightly naïve.

We were dazzled. But my wife was soon uneasy.
'I miss little things,' she said. 'I can't see threads or bugs
Or harmless errors. I can't see second tries.
Can we go down the mountain just a bit?'

And so we turned from the source
And descended to a col at middle height
Where the view was narrower but scarcely less grand.
To our surprise we heard voices, wing beats,
Newborns wailing, leaves unfolding from moist stems,
Footsteps, breaths ... And conspiracy, bloodshed, folly.
Light and dark mix there: the sacred algorithm hesitates,
Shivers like a doubting creature, and resumes its
faithful plunge.

We were dazzled. But my wife was uneasy.
'I hear our niece weeping,' she said. 'We must go to her.'
And so we left the mountain and dined that evening
With our niece, who needed only kindness to smile
again.
But I could not free myself from longing to return to
the heights:
Like the faint scent of incense after a ceremony,
Memories of our expedition hung in the air. Until one
day:
'Look,' she said—and held up to the light a tiny object.
'I found it this morning when I was planting green peas!
It was a perfect replica of the sacred algorithm,
Pulsing with milky light, slightly naïve, entirely blessed.
'Shall we plant it?'

—Roger Lipsey

The New Americanism: a New Religion

What is this nation, America?

For traditional conservatives, before the nation is born, "ethnic and cultural preconditions" must exist. All "successful constitutional orders are the expressions of already formed nations and cultures."

To the old right, America as a nation and a people already existed by 1789. The Constitution was the birth certificate the nation wrote for itself, the charter by which it chose to govern itself. The real America had been born in men's hearts by the time of Lexington and Concord in 1775.

However, Irving Kristol, founding father of modern neoconservatism, saw America as a "creedal" nation, a nation to which anyone can belong irrespective of "ethnicity or blood ties of any kind, or lineage, or length of residence even."

Given this unqualified quasi-religious commitment to "the Rights of Man," (for a neoconservative) America must be future-oriented, for as long as human rights are threatened, and regardless of where they are imperiled, her work in the world will never be complete.

Here one arrives at a root cause of the conflict between neocons and the right—a conflict that did not mature until the end of the Cold War. Some conservatives began to argue that now that the Soviet Union was history and Mao's China had given up on world revolution, our war was over and we should bring our troops home and become again "a normal country in a normal time."

Neoconservatives cried that this was "isolationism," and backed U.S. interventions in Panama, Haiti, Somalia, Kuwait and Iraq. While a Republican House opposed war on Serbia, neocons cheered Bill Clinton's 78 days of bombing that tore Kosovo from the mother country. When some on the right opposed the invasion of Iraq as an unwise and unnecessary war, National Review denounced them as "unpatriotic."

On reflection, the neoconservative rage made sense.

If one believes America is *not* a normal nation with definable interests, *but* a creedal nation dedicated to democracy, equality and human rights, one has converted to what Kristol called a "civic religion." And the mission of that faith is to advance the work begun in 1776, to make America—then the entire world—free, democratic and egalitarian.

Either our ideology triumphs or another shall, neocons believe. We are in a world historic struggle for the hearts and souls of mankind.

This ideology, this political religion, causes neocons to see opponents on the right as heretics and enemies of the true faith.

Yet, in the final analysis, neoconservatism "is not ... a form of conservatism at all." The scholar Gerhart Niemeyer upbraided them: "All modern ideologies have the same irrational root: the permeation of politics with millenarian ideas of pseudo-religious character. The result is a dream world."
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A man of prayer is capable of everything. He can say with St. Paul, "I can do all things in Him who strengthened me."

—St. Vincent de Paul

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

Last week brought us beautiful mornings and evenings with cool breezes and low humidity, although we still need to pray for rain. Are you praying this summer? *Summer is made for this*, not for sinning. The beating heat of midday, the calm of dawn, the serenity of sunset; all cry out for God and to God. All for God!

Here Caravaggio leads the way. The other evening he matter-of-factly presented a basically intact baby bunny to me in the kitchen, and, the offering made, very humbly had some supper. The bunny hopped off to the living room, and Fr. Cekada kindly repatriated it to the tall grass, where his worried parents were waiting anxiously. Puccini later appeared, intent on telling me the whole story, even before he had his dinner. It was quite the event.

The girls are having a wonderful Summer Camp as I write this. Delightful, creative, and improving activities are provided by the ladies and the good sisters all day long, as well as plenty of time for chatter and play. For myself, I must say how grateful I was just to see so many children, over fifty girls last Wednesday, as well as some boys and adults, all in church on a summer's morn for the Holy Sacrifice. Perfection itself! I am sure Our Lord was pleased; and to see them back again in the afternoon to pray His Mother's Rosary.

We **do** have many children in the parish, don't we? From time to time I am struck with this, and grateful to God for the good which is done them, God's dear ones, by the school, Sunday School, and so many special activities and organizations all year long. However, it all begins here at church with Baptism, and is based upon Holy Mass each Sunday with Holy Communion and frequent Confession. Our good parents continue God's work at home all week with daily prayers and lessons, catechism and good example, and Rosary.

So much to be grateful for! Fr. Faber says we should thank God specifically for each grace and blessing, starting with the Trinity and God's perfections, as we do when we sing the Gloria. "We give Thee thanks for Thy great glory." (Each summer Sunday we all get to sing the Gloria together.)

So, let us thank God for fine weather, (and foul!) for children and cats, for camps and play, for Sister and volunteers and teachers and parents, for new priests and old, for beautiful music and even the most ephemeral of activities done for God's glory, offered and given to our good God.

Deo Gratias!

—Bishop Dolan

New Americanism (Continued from previous page)

Like 19th-century Marxists, neocons envision a future that is utopian – i.e., it is unattainable. For in the real world, history, faith and culture shape peoples, and peoples shape countries to reflect who and what they are.

Nations constructed from ideological blueprints like the Soviet Union of Vladimir Lenin and the China of Mao Zedong eventually collapse when their ruling ideas collide fatally with reality and human nature.

The one great success of the neocons came about by accident. In the shock of 9/11, George W. Bush was converted to global democratic revolution "to end tyranny in our world." And off we marched.

And after decade-long wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, we reaped the harvest: 6,500 dead, 40,000 wounded, trillions in debt, a nation divided and pandemic hatred of America across the Islamic world. Perhaps the new wars for which our neocons clamor in Syria and Iran will prove at last the great leap forward into the brave new world of their dreams.

—Excerpted from a recent column by Patrick J. Buchanan



"Lost Churches of Louisiana"

When devastating hurricanes struck the Gulf Coast, even houses of worship were not spared.

A local television station interviewed a woman from New Orleans and asked how the loss of churches in the area had affected their lives.

Without hesitation, the woman replied, "I don't know 'bout all those other people, but we haven't gone to Churches in years. We get our chicken from Popeye's."

The look on the interviewer's face was priceless.

**They live among us, AND THEY VOTE.
Now do you understand how we got our president?**

—Priceless!!
(Church's is a fried chicken outlet)

✠ THE CALENDAR

✠ THE THIRD COMMANDMENT

*Many weekday Masses will be webcast this summer
Please check our website
All Sunday Masses are webcast*

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| MON | 7/16/12 | OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL 8:00 AM Low Mass †Fr. Schoonbroodt (<i>Rebecca Stump</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Catherine & William-Well done (<i>The Lynch family</i>) |
| TUE | 7/17/12 | ST ALEXIUS, C <i>HUMILITY OF MARY</i> <i>CARMELITE MARTYRS OF COMPIEGNE</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass Those who requested Masses for Stella (<i>Tom Simpson</i>), Summer Novena 5:00 PM Low Mass The Gunsher family (<i>Soli family</i>), Summer Novena |
| WED | 7/18/12 | ST CAMILLUS OF LELLIS, C ST SYMPHOROSA & HER SEVEN SONS, MM 8:00 AM Low Mass †Dan Dailey (<i>Tom Simpson</i>) 9:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls-Gratitude-Katie Bischak (<i>DJR</i>) |
| THU | 7/19/12 | ST VINCENT DE PAUL, C 8:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls-Gratitude-RoseMary Harsley (<i>DJR</i>) 9:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls-In gratitude to Blessed Sacrament (<i>DJR</i>) |
| FRI | 7/20/12 | ST JEROME EMILIAN, C ST MARGARET, VM <i>ST ELIAS THE PROPHET</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass †Mary Dolores Fisher (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze</i>) 5:15 PM Rosary and Confessions 5:45 PM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>H.O. & Becky Hinton</i>) 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction |
| SAT | 7/21/12 | OUR LADY'S SATURDAY ST PRAXEDES, V <i>ST DANIEL THE PROPHET</i> <i>OUR LADY MOTHER OF MERCY</i> 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass My Godchildren (<i>Tom Simpson</i>) |
| SUN | 7/22/12 | PENTECOST VIII ST MARY MAGDALENE, PENITENT 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass Bea Lutkehaus (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass In thanksgiving for the safe delivery of our daughter (<i>Soli family</i>) 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass Thanksgiving to Poor Souls for employment (<i>L.F.</i>) 5:45 PM Low Mass For the People of St. Gertrude the Great |

HOW ARE WE TO KEEP THE SUNDAY HOLY?

We are to keep the Sunday holy by hearing Mass and resting from servile works.

I. By Hearing Mass:

i. The highest form of worship the creature can offer to the Creator.

ii. Hence the Church enjoins attendance at Mass on the Lord's Day.

iii. The whole Mass:

a. Mortal sin to wilfully omit

1. A notable portion, e.g.: up to the Offertory.

2. An essential part, e.g.: the Consecration.

b. Venial sin, to miss a small part without cause, e.g.: up to the Confiteor.

c. Wilful omission of part of the Mass is

1. Disrespect towards God.

2. Distraction to the Faithful.

3. Perhaps even scandal.

"Cursed be he that doth the work of the Lord deceitfully. (*Jer. xlvi. 10*)

iv. How must we hear Mass ?

a. Bodily presence, so as to see and hear, at least in the action of the people.

b. Mental presence, by attention, etc.

v. Obligation of Mass; binding

a. Under pain of mortal sin.

b. All the Faithful, having the use of reason, unless lawfully excused.

vi. Reasons excusing from Mass :

a. Physical impossibility, e.g.: Sickness, infirmity, distance, weather, etc.

b. Moral impossibility, e.g.: Convalescence, serious loss, etc.

c. Charity, e.g.: Attendance on the sick, etc.

d. Prudence herein very necessary, lest sloth or indifference creep in.

Other means of sanctifying the Sunday: Hearing instructions, to gain or revive knowledge of Religion (Faith); Attending Evening Service, thereby making the day really a day of prayer (Hope); good works, making the whole day holy and meritorious (Charity).

The Catechist



Every good tree bringeth forth good fruit.