
St. Gertrude the Great Roman Catholic Church

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Pentecost XXIII

November 4, 2012

The *Introit* of the Mass consoles and incites us to confidence in God who is so benevolent towards us, and will not let us pine away in tribulation. The Lord saith:

I think thoughts of peace, and not of affliction: you shall call upon Me, and I will hear you: and I will bring back your captivity from all places.



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

**The Rev. Anthony Cekada
The Rev. Charles McGuire
The Rev. Vili Lehtoranta**

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

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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

¶ **NOVEMBER 4, 2012 • PENTECOST XXIII • OUR LADY OF SUFFRAGE • ST CHARLES BORREMEO, BPC • SS VITALIS & AGRICOLA, MM •**

Today is the First Sunday of the month, with the second collection for the support of Most Holy Trinity Seminary. (*Remember, the second collection immediately follows the first!*) The blessing of religious articles will take place after all Masses. We open our annual devotion of the Twelve Sundays of the Mother of Good Counsel. Please join the Rosary Confraternity this afternoon at **3:00 PM at Oak Hill Cemetery** (Princeton Pike/Route 747 in Glendale). We will pray the Rosary for the Poor Souls, and Bishop Dolan will bless the grave of Shirle Downing. Many indulgences may be gained by prayer for the departed at a cemetery within the Octave of All Souls.

*O how amiable and benevolent
Mary shows herself to them that suffer
in Purgatory; for through her
they continually receive comfort
and consolation.
— St. Vincent Ferrer*



¶ **ALTER CHRISTUS**

The “little church” is in the vestibule today to receive your alms for Masses for the sanctification and support of priests in the missions. Please be generous.

¶ **THIS WEEK**

Our annual children’s cemetery visit is on **Tuesday** afternoon. We leave from church at 1:15 PM. Parents, drivers are needed! All are welcome to join us at St. Stephen’s Cemetery in Hamilton for the Rosary and Absolution.

¶ **NEXT SUNDAY - VETERANS DAY**

Absolution of the Catafalque will take place at 11:00 AM, followed by a Rosary for all those who have died in our country’s many, many wars.

Set Your Missal: Pentecost XXIV (Epiphany V) with commemorations of

St. Martin of Tours and St. Mennas, Trinity Preface.

¶ **CONGRATULATIONS**

to all of our little saints who participated in last Sunday’s All Saints Procession and costume presentations. Following are the results of the contest:

Preschool:

1st Place: Joseph Boyd (St. Francis)
2nd Place: Austin McClorey (St. James)

Kindergarten/First Grade:

1st Place: Conrad Arlinghaus (St. John the Baptist)
2nd Place Lindsey Soli (St. Helena)

Second Grade:

1st Place: Christopher Richesson (St. Leo the Great)
2nd Place: Marcie Arlinghaus (St. Elizabeth)

3rd Place: Nathan McClorey (St. Christopher)

Third Grade

1st Place: Hannah Lacy (St. Catherine of Siena)
2nd Place: Vanessa Soli (St. Theresa)

Fourth Grade:

1st Place: Grace McClorey (St. Joan of Arc)
2nd Place: James Lacy (St. Patrick)
3rd Place: Peter McClorey (St. Mark)

Fifth/Sixth Grade:

1st Place: Patrick Omlor (St. Eleutherius)
2nd Place: Joseph Simpson (St. John Bosco)

Groups - Tied for 1st place! (Too hard to choose):

Lynch family – Irish Saints
Simpson family – Our Lady of LaSalette and the Seers

Best Presentation: Julia Richesson (St. Genevieve)

Best “Stump the Bishop” costume: Patrick Omlor (St. Eleutherius)

Judges’ Favorite: Theo Lynch (Sea creature!)

LUMEN CHRISTI

*The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before
the Blessed Sacrament for the next
fortnight for the following intention:*

Richard & Elizabeth Smith

(Joe & Beth)

✠ THE POETRY CORNER

Les Feuilles d’Automne

Autumn leaves, packs its bags,
And winter inherits empty trees.
Metaphor as symbol begs
To embark again on violent seas.

What put the no in November
Won’t be gainsaid.
No more I, though I remember
mal de mer and wishing to be dead.

No more I, whatever that might
mean,
Before the sea’s ego
Everything and its season
Gone before you know.

—Andrew McNellie

¶ **SANDY FUND**

Traditional Catholics we know from Long Island, Eric Galati and his wife Irena, are in a bad way after the storm. It will take quite a while to repair their home, and Eric himself is on crutches. We will be happy to forward any alms you care to offer. Remember that alms, especially offered with the intention of relieving the Poor Souls, help them, the recipient, and yourself. Win-win. God reward your generosity.

— Bishop Dolan

Sin is the greatest disaster.

— St. Bernadette

Collection Report

Sunday, October 28th\$3,214.00

Servers: NOVEMBER 5 - 11, 2012

FRI 11/9 11:20 AM HIGH: School Servers, Simpsons
5:45 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers

SAT 11/10 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons

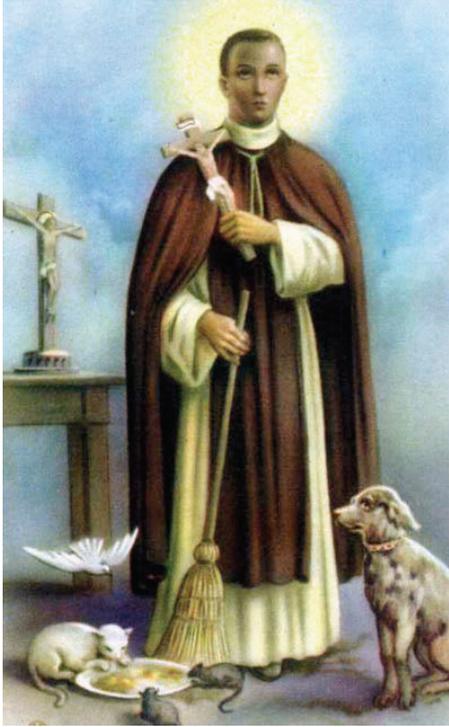
SUN 11/11 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: MC: R. Vande Ryt
PRIEST’S MC: B. Lotarski ACs: A. Richesson,
N. Puglielli TH: F. Puglielli TORCH: Joe
Morgan, M. Simpson, A. Soli, J. Lacy
11:30 AM LOW: N. McClorey, P. Omlor
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Ushers: NOVEMBER 11, 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

✠ FOR ALL THE SAINTS ✠

How the Humble are Exalted



The acceptance of the saints must, of course, be the same as Our Lord's acceptance of His Passion – something before which He shrank and of which He felt every faintest quiver. If anyone who had to suffer became insensitive and did not feel it, but instead felt a certain smugness in their own ability to suffer, it really would be utterly useless – it would not really be suffering at all...

I'm afraid there is no short cut, and no hope of suffering without *feeling* it. The only thing to do, so far as I know, is to go on and on repeating this prayer, even if it seems to be a mechanical repetition – “Lord, into Thy hands” – and then say, “I confide X, or myself” – and perhaps it can help to meditate on what you mean by “into Thy hands” – hands of infinite tenderness, infinite love, absolute power.

There is another thing I have had to learn – and still need to learn far more deeply and lastingly – namely, not to foster bitterness, resentment

and dislike....This I have found very hard, but I have realized for very long that so long as these feelings were fermenting in me, I could hardly expect God to answer my prayers.

About that, as about all the rest of it, I made a novena to **Blessed Martin de Porres** (*feast day November 3rd*), a most amazing saint, who seems to answer prayers quite irrespectively of how wicked or unworthy one is. It is that which encourages me to pray to him, and his answers are truly miraculous.

– Caryl Houselander (†1954)
British mystic, poet, and spiritual teacher



A Prayer

*Saint Lucy grant me light to see
That this is not eternity.
Magdalene, let me know
Him that made thee white as snow.
Francis, little man in brown,
Once the dandy of the town,
Give me, gentle friar, to be
Like Juniper – a fool, maybe.
Mary, Mother of my King,
Help me to do this little thing:
To count as naught the look of scorn,
Save to prize it as a thorn.*

– Julia G. Sullivan

Perfect for All Saints Octave! – Bp. Dolan



The thought of Purgatory is productive rather of consolation than of terror... Great as the torments of Purgatory are... the interior consolations granted there are nevertheless so ineffable that no earthly bliss and enjoyment can equal them.

– St. Francis de Sales

In Osculo Domini

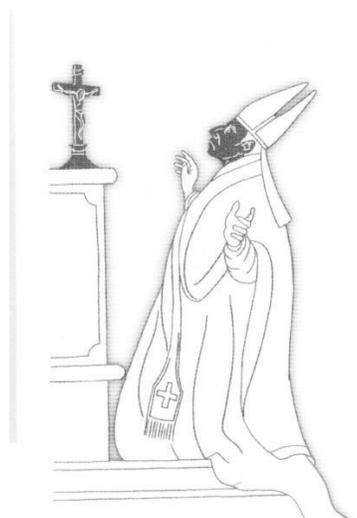
(At the tomb of St. Charles Borromeo)

Whence, Lord, is this to me!
While candles seven
Burn golden in the bronze and
golden gloom,
There is a portal opened into
heaven –
I see the Saint, his body in the
tomb.

This Lazarus, three hundred years
he sleepeth,
The body wanting only body's
breath,
While life's most keen prerogative
he keepeth
The union with Thee which
knows not death.

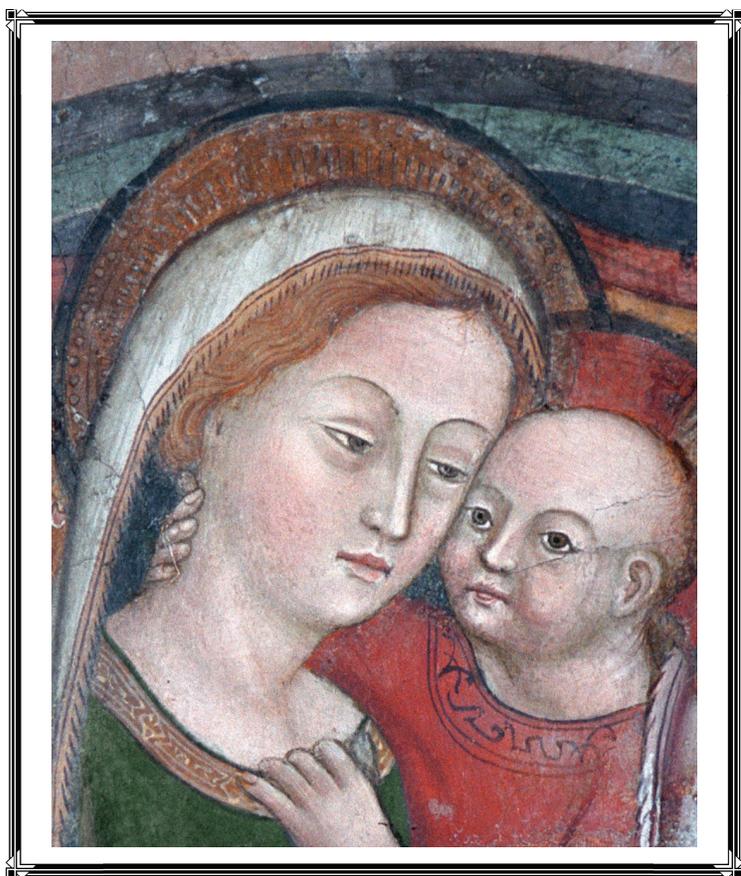
O miracle, O portent past devisal!
Thy kiss yet breathing sweet upon
his face,
That mortals here may see the
paradisal
Rest of the saints, – the saints in
Thine embrace.

– Charles L. O'Donnell, C.S.C.



*“Most pure Mary, most sweet Mary,
grant that from henceforth your name
may be the breath of my life.”*

– St. Alphonsus Liguori



Mother of Good Counsel

Dear Lady of my love, thine eyes, thine eyes,
Once, too, were tired with weeping; let them rest
Where I may be as on the Child who lies

In sweet contentment near thy dovelike breast,
These doubts, these tears, O let me lose in thee –
Queen, Mother, guardian, friend, Counsel thou me.

– *“Prayers of an Irish Mother,”* 1934

Holy Virgin, I beg of you, when
my soul shall depart from my body,
be pleased to meet and receive it.
Mary, do not refuse me then
the grace of being sustained
by your sweet presence.
Be for me the ladder and
the way to Heaven, and finally
assure me of pardon
and eternal rest. Amen.

– St. Bonaventure

What is Purgatory?

With the graces given him between the moment of birth and the moment of death, each human being makes choices, advancing toward God or turning away from Him. At the time of death, he has lived one of these two patterns: Either, with his mind on God and motivated for the love of God, to do God’s will; or, with his mind set on himself or another creature in place of God, living his whole life to do his own will. At death, a person’s will is fixed, either on himself or God. If he is in the state of unrepented mortal sin, then he has rejected God, set up his own will in opposition to the Divine Will; and the consequence of his choices is Hell!

Even in the state of grace, a person may not have achieved a total love of God nor a complete union with His Will. What is imperfect and out of order must be consumed and purged so that the soul may be wholly ready for the wedding feast of Heaven. This place of purification is called Purgatory. Although it is not the Hell of the damned, it has some of the intense pains associated with the sufferings of Hell; and while it is not Heaven, it has some intense joys of Heaven. St. Catherine of Genoa laid emphasis on the joy of Purgatory – outside of Heaven itself, the happiest state in creation is that of Purgatory.

“I will join you in offering Holy Communion for the dear departed one, so that God who is rich in mercy may give him a share in the inheritance of the saints in light.”

– Sr. Elizabeth of the Trinity



He took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

John Wilmot, 2nd Earl of Rochester, English poet and wit of King Charles II’s court, so humorously summed up the parenting experience when he said, “Before I got married I had six theories of raising children; now, I have six children and no theories.”

**ST GERTRUDE THE GREAT CHURCH
ANNUAL DEVOTION OF THE FORTY HOURS**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2012

Friday, November 16th - Feast of St Gertrude the Great:

5:30 PM Opening Solemn High Mass and Procession

FOLLOWED BY A *HARVEST CHILI SUPPER*

Bring your favorite chili to share - with or without meat

(The abstinence is dispensed for those who attend the opening Mass)

The church will provide beverages, fixin's and dessert

Adoration continues all night

Saturday, November 17th:

7:30 AM Low Mass

8:00 AM Low Mass

9:00 AM Solemn Mass

Adoration continues all day

1:45 PM Vespers

4:30 PM Compline and Benediction,

Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning

Sunday, November 18th – Solemnity of St Gertrude the Great:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues all day

6:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 AM Low Mass

9:00 AM Solemn High Mass of Reposition

11:30 AM Low Mass

4:45 PM Solemn Vespers

5:30 PM Low Mass *(note special time)*

6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies with Procession and Benediction

7:45 PM Light Refreshments in Helfta Hall



✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

Our splendid celebration of Christ the King, perfect in every respect, was percolating along already last Saturday. Katie and Darlene and the helpers were cleaning and decorating the church. The well-chosen flowers were of a greenish hue which matched the frontal and the magnificent old glittery gold of the French chasuble. "Mustard Gold," we call it, with a "worthy Lamb" sparkling on its back. The Introit which thus salutes Him was already carefully rehearsed.



Meanwhile, I was immersed in Christ the King thoughts and papal encyclicals in preparation for my Restoration Radio show. Mothers at home were putting the finishing touches on the children's costumes, or even rehearsing their charming little presentations. **Fr. Lehtoranta** was spreading the kingdom up north Chillicothe way with Holy Mass at St. Clare. On his return, he conducted his Saturday convert class, and then went over to the convento to complete his *excellent* Christ the King sermon. **Fr. Cekada** was himself completing an arrangement of the charming "*Pueri Concinite*" for our choir to sing for Christmas, birthday of the King.

No one seemed in the least affected last Sunday by the fact that Summer had fled, leaving behind only a few hopeful flowers from its last fling. The dark and cold exterior was conquered by the golden warmth within, at the court of Christ the King. The children marched movingly, the choir chanted and sang perfectly, and the servers were proud, brave soldiers of the King, immovable at their posts. Finally, the faithful flooded into the church in unwonted (but **not** unwanted) numbers all day long. It was our best attendance in a long time.

How enjoyable was the All Saints party, how charming the children's costumes and little performances. Congratulations to the family of obscure but charming Irish saints (with baby as St. Brendan's sea monster) and its rhyming tale told by mother. Kudos to Our Lady of La Salette, with her fine headpiece, and the children chiming in chorus a plaintive "no" to Our Lady's question: "Do you say your prayers?" Honorable mention for St. John the Baptist's frightwig and shell, as well as for St. Francis' attached cuddly animals (which he eventually managed to detach). And what about St. Genevieve's French introduction? Those who miss the All Saints party don't know what they're missing! The best things in life...

Ditto (as Rush, the entertaining radio windbag likes to say) for Vespers, which always close the great feasts of the church. We started as usual, or even better, with *two* servers in place of one, and the clergy, and our two stalwart souls in the pews, Darlene and Gloria. Fr. Cekada was at the keyboard. No sooner had the sacred psalmody commenced, then the door opened for the Simpsons, who augmented the holy chant, and then for Bud and Karen Patton and family, who augmented in their turn the devout attendance. Now we were really cooking! The warm golden church at sunset, the glowing altar censed at Mary's Magnificat...and then came Exposition and a plethora of the day's due devotions.

More came in for October Rosary, after which (time was now pressing) we switched, as prescribed by Pope Pius XI, to the Litany of the Sacred Heart and the solemn Act of Consecration, with Benediction concluding. "Foreign" faithful (but always welcome to our family) continued to fill the pews for the final Mass of Christ the King as Fr. Lehtoranta quickly but carefully vested and prepared for the Holy Sacrifice. Behold our Sunday. Thanks for being part of it.

Well, **Bishop Williamson** is no longer part of the Pius X Society. Under circumstances quite the same as our own experience some 29 years ago (save that the expeller became the expelled), His Excellency was shown the street without a penny of pension or insurance. This offense against the natural law alone cries to Heaven for vengeance, and characterizes the vengeance of this supposedly "priestly" society.

The newchurch Vatican, however, was well pleased and in a day or two issued a peacemaking press release, assuring the world that the absorption of Pius X into the Novus Ordo was still proceeding apace. So it seems that after all, those who declare themselves at the altar to be "una cum" (one with) the antichrist actually will be so in practice, foot soldiers no more for Christ the King, but rather for the one-world church. How did *that* happen?

It is the result of the lack of clear logical Catholic principles. The Pius X Society, like the Church of England or the Episcopalians, has always housed adherents of two different faiths: would-be Catholics, and (in this case) would-be modernists. Somebody has to win, and somebody has to lose. Good job (as the English say) that they no longer hang, draw and quarter the Catholics!

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✠ THE CALENDAR

*All Sunday Masses and most weekday Masses are webcast
Please check our website!*

MON	11/5/12	WITHIN THE OCTAVE <i>THE HOLY RELICS</i> 11:20 AM High Mass †Joan Weigand (<i>St. Gertrude the Great School</i>)
TUE	11/6/12	WITHIN THE OCTAVE 8:00 AM Low Mass Paulina Strauss (<i>A friend</i>) 11:20 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorian Society 1:00 PM Rosary for the Poor Souls (St. Stephen's Cemetery, Hamilton) 5:00 PM Requiem Low Mass Most forsaken soul in Purgatory (from October) (<i>M/M C. Bellavia</i>)
WED	11/7/12	WITHIN THE OCTAVE 8:00 AM Low Mass Honor of St. Joseph (<i>Tom Simpson</i>) 11:20 AM High Mass In honor of Holy Ghost for Poor Souls (<i>Beckie Mattingly</i>) 5:00 PM Requiem Low Mass Most forsaken soul in Purgatory (<i>M/M C. Bellavia</i>) 6:30 PM Choir Practice
THU	11/8/12	OCTAVE DAY OF ALL SAINTS HOLY FOUR CROWNED MARTYRS 8:00 AM Low Mass In honor of St. Philomena for the Souls in Purgatory (<i>Bill Schauble</i>) 11:20 AM High Mass Alter Christus-for the sanctification of priests 5:00 PM Low Mass †Antonio Capetillo (<i>A. Capetillo family</i>)
FRI	11/9/12	DEDICATION OF ST SAVIOR'S BASILICA ST THEODORE, M 8:00 AM Low Mass †Shirle Downing (<i>Tom Simpson</i>) 10:55 AM Confessions 11:20 AM High Mass Ed Richesson (<i>Scott Richesson family</i>) 5:20 PM Confessions 5:45 PM Low Mass Paddy Omlor (<i>Patrick Omlor</i>) 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction
SAT	11/10/12	ST ANDREW AVELLINO, C ST TRYPHON & COMPANIONS, MM 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass T. Simpson & family (<i>A friend</i>)
SUN	11/11/12	PENTECOST XXIV ST MARTIN OF TOURS, BPC ST MENNAS, M VETERANS DAY 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Romilda Uhlenbrock (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass Poor Souls-Thanksgiving for prayers answered (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Scott Richesson</i>) 10:40 AM Sunday Classes

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

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In all charity, let us pray for confused and troubled souls today, and do our best to help them home, in out of the cold. This requires patience and tact as well as prayer. Pray, too, won't you, for all the victims of Sandy these days in our land, as well as for those suffering the far greater devastation of the fifty-year Frankenstorm of Frankenchurch, the revolution of Vatican II.

Come to Oak Hill with us this afternoon to pray for our dead who lie there, as well as for all of our own who sleep in Christ. There's another procession Tuesday afternoon to St. Stephen's cemetery in Hamilton which is beautiful, because Catholic.

May those who sleep in Christ help soldiers of Christ who are sleeping at their posts to awaken, and cry with us: *¡Viva Christo Rey!*

–Bishop Dolan

Our Beloved Dead – November

Name	Date of Death
Robert M. Deardorff	11-07-2003
Judith E. LeBlanc	11-08-1996
Edward P. Fradl	11-13-1989
Larry J. Adams	11-13-2011
Patrick S. Meredith	11-14-1987
Charles S. Blase	11-15-1999
Geraldine Gilker	11-18-1993
Gertrude Bollhauer	11-19-1982
Alex Bearov	11-20-2011
Edward Sayre	11-21-2010
Patricia A. Buckley	11-23-1987
Nick DiBerardino	11-26-1999
Frank Alban, Sr.	11-27-1987

*Merciful Jesus,
have pity upon me.*

11:00 AM	Veterans Day Observance with Absolution
11:30 AM	Low Mass †Jill Wright (<i>Kirby & Jean Bischel</i>)
5:45 PM	Low Mass For the People of St. Gertrude the Great