

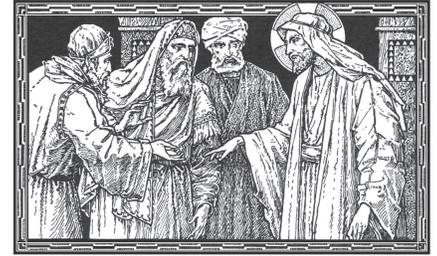
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM High, 11:30 AM, 5:45 PM



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Rev. Anthony Cekada, Rev. Charles McGuire,
Rev. Vili Lehtoranta, Rev. Stephen McKenna

October 20, 2013 Mission Sunday Pentecost XXII



RENDER TO CAESAR THE THINGS
THAT ARE CAESAR'S AND TO GOD
THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

¶ Today is Mission Sunday on which we pray especially for the propagation of our holy Faith. The blessing of expectant mothers is available following each Mass. Sunday Classes are at 10:40 AM. The **Autumn Bake Sale** takes place in Helfta Hall after the morning Masses. Please support this important fundraiser for our school. Rosary and Benediction are at 5:15 PM.

"When the Church suffers anywhere, it is felt everywhere. Every persecution wounds the whole body; every benediction is a common joy. Because we are members one of another, there is a perfect sympathy binding the whole Church together."
— Cardinal Manning

¶ OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

It's the last full week of October Devotions (Rosary, Litany, and Prayer to St. Joseph), which are recited **every school day at 3:10 PM**. On **Wednesday** the Devotions take place before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at **3:00 PM**, followed by Benediction and Holy Communion at approximately **3:20 PM**. Come join our children in prayer!

The Rosary will be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed on **Friday** afternoon at **5:15 PM**, followed by Benediction at 5:45 PM and Mass at 6:00 PM (approx.). **Saturday's** Rosary is at 8:05 AM with Simple Benediction.

Lumen Christi

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

†**David Dolan**
(Robert Porter)

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING & ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Next week we celebrate the great feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King. The children's All Saints Procession precedes the High Mass. *Parents, please bring your children in the costume of a saint, and help them to know something about their saint.* Children should be in the vestibule by 8:45 AM to line up for the procession. After Mass, those children who have prepared a little story about their saint may say a few words before the All Saints Party in Helfta Hall, to which everyone is invited. No Sunday Classes. Vespers, with Rosary and Benediction, begin at 4:30 PM.

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

¶ ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCES

Offering envelopes will be found in the pews. Please fill them out with the names of loved ones you wish remembered in the Masses on All Souls Day, and return to the office or to the collection basket.

"Do not try to please everybody. Try to please God, the angels, and the saints – they are your public."

— St. John Vianney

¶ OUR SICK

Please remember Dorothy Brady and all of our shut-in and sick, especially Kevin O'Donnell, slowly getting better but still in intensive care at University Hospital. Bob Uhlenbrock is feeling much better, and hopes to be at Mass today, as does Jane Brockman.

More and more people contact St. Gertrude with prayer intentions. We are so grateful to our Rosary Chain (and captain Darlene Rentschler) for their prayers several times a week. Join them, or at least frequently make the intention to pray for all of those who ask for our prayers each week.

PRAYER FOR HEALTH

(from the Little Office of the Holy Angels)

O Raphael of the glorious seven who stand before the throne of Him who lives and reigns, Angel of Health, the Lord hath filled thy hand with balm from Heaven to soothe or cure our pains. Heal or console the victims of disease, and guide our steps when doubtful of our ways.



**O Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Patroness of the Missions,
pray for us.**

(An indulgence of 100 days – Raccolta No. 531)

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUY A BOOK...FRESHEN YOUR OUTLOOK. "Reading this book was one of the greatest graces of my life." Of many books this may be said, but *our own* St. Thérèse said it of "The End of the Present World," by the Abbé Arminjon. Long out of print, this classic work tells us not only about the end of the world, but also the future life. Visit and browse the book store! A charming selection of new prayer books and spiritual reading is also available. I especially recommend the "Bedside Book of Saints." Wonderful bedtime reading for future saints. You'll learn a lot and be encouraged.

— Bishop Dolan

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Friday, November 1st:** All Saints Day; Holy Day of obligation & First Friday. Masses: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 5:45 PM. **N.B. No All Night Adoration** (it is traditionally transferred to the opening Friday of Forty Hours [Nov. 15th]).
- **Saturday, November 2nd:** All Souls Day, First Saturday. Many morning Requiem Masses; *Toties Quoties* indulgence opens at noon of All Saints Day and closes at midnight All Souls Day.

October



Month of
the Holy Rosary
and the Angels



Servers: OCTOBER 21 - 27, 2013

FRI 10/25 6:00 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers

SAT 10/26 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons
8:30 AM LOW: M. Briggs

SUN 10/27 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: MC: R. Vande Ryt
CHAPLAINS: B. Lotarski, T. Simpson, Jr.
ACS: A. Richesson, N. McClorey
TH: J. Simpson MITRE: S. Arlinghaus
CROZIER: L. Arlinghaus CROSS: P. Lawrence
TORCH: J. & J. Morgan, A. Soli, T. Lawrence, P. Omlor., J. Lacy
11:30 AM LOW:
4:30 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Collection Report

Sunday, October 13th\$2,873.00

✠ THE POETRY CORNER



Prayer to St. Raphael for Busy People

Angel St. Raphael,
Fill my life
With happy meetings.
Let each one fulfill
The loving decrees
Of God's holy Will.
St. Raphael,
Humanity's protector,
Be thou my guide,
My friend and director.



PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GOOD HELP

Our Lady of Good Help, Mother of God and Queen of Heaven, with confidence in Thy tender mercy we place our petitions before Thee... (*Here mention your petition.*) ...hoping in Thy Immaculate Heart to obtain for us that which will give glory to Thine only-begotten Son. O Queen of Heaven, as Thou didst ask Sister Adele to teach the children their catechism, so also teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in Thee. Reign over us, dearest Queen, that we may be Thine in prosperity and in adversity, in joy and in sorrow, in health and in sickness, in life and in death. Amen.

V. Our Lady, Queen of Heaven.
R. Pray for us.
V. Our Lady of Good Help.
R. Pray for us.

TO MY GUARDIAN ANGEL

Glorious Guardian of my soul,
You – shining one – in Heaven fly:
Pure flame! your gentle aureole
Burns by the Throne of God on high.
You come to earth for me, and how
You light me here! For you descend,
Fair Angel, as my Brother now.
You are my Comforter and Friend.

Knowing how weak I am, you take
My hand, and on the road ahead,
Tenderly watchful for my sake,
You clear the stones from where I tread.

You put to me ... you gently call
For Heaven only to enchant –
The more I'm humble and am small,
The more your face is radiant.

O spirit who can traverse space
More quick than sheets of lightning do!
Fly very often, in my place,
To be beside my dear ones too.
Dry, with your wing, their tears – and sing

How good is Jesus; and proclaim
That there is charm in suffering!
And murmur, very low ... my name.

For saving sinners (as I so
Desire to, short as life may be –
Fair Angel, they're my brothers) – oh,
Your holy ardours give to me!
I've here my sacrifices, and –
I've nothing more – my poverty:
With all your bliss in Heaven's Land,
Offer them to the Trinity.

To you: the wealth of Endless Light
The King of kings has empire at.
To me: the humble Host of white,
To me, the Cross – a treasure that!
The Cross, the Host – ah yes, with these
And with the aid I thank you for,
I'll wait the other life, in peace –
Its joys, that last for evermore.

— St Thérèse of Lisieux
January 1897

Thérèse 'had a devotion to the holy angels and particularly to her guardian angel whom she loved to invoke often' (Sr. Marie of the Trinity, deposition, 1916).

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

The air almost everywhere was smoky last weekend for the last days of this year's Fatima devotions. The fragrant smoke was that of prayer, clouding forth from the thuribles of pilgrimages and processions. Its abundant coals were red with the fire of God's love through and for the Mother of God.

On October 12th, in Wisconsin, 20 souls traveled in pilgrimage from St. Hugh in Milwaukee to Our Lady of Good Help in Champion just north of Green Bay. The cloudy misty day gave way to light (I knew it would) as we drew near to the shrine. The complex is not much to see, but one can pray peacefully at the apparition site. It is a simple 1940s-style American room with an old fashioned polished linoleum floor and a humble low ceiling showing the pipes. Its prayerful darkness is lit with many votive candles surrounding a very beautiful Madonna of Grace from France, which stands above the stumps of the trees between which Our Lady, "Queen of Heaven," appeared to Adele Brice, reminding everyone of the necessity of prayer and penance, and asking her to teach catechism to the little ones. Our visit came within the octave of the apparition anniversary, October 8, 1859. We were able to pray with recollection at this holy spot.

The cold wind outdoors last Saturday suddenly gave way to a pleasant warm breeze as we were casting about for a dry place to enjoy a late picnic lunch. We did, and just as we finished the wet mist returned as if to say "Now, back to your prayers." We concluded the day's devotions with an outdoor Way of the Cross in honor of Our Lady. The beautiful old stations were still marked in French, the original language of the shrine of *Nôtre Dame de Bon Secours*.

The next day I led the St. Hugh congregation in a noon hour Rosary Procession. The blue skies and golden Fall trees served as a canopy for the statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The following day in New Mexico, three of our faithful retraced the steps of last year's pilgrimage in Santa Fe, honoring *La Conquistadora*, the Franciscan Martyrs, and Our Lord of Chimayo, the miraculous crucifix and the *Niño de Atocha*.

By the way, we are grateful to the Rios family, recently arrived here from Texas (welcome!) for the donation of the beautiful Niño de Atocha statue, which has joined the other Holy Child statues in our Children's Corner under the protecting wings of the Guardian Angel. Remind me to give a sermon about the Niño de Atocha and His baby shoes.

When I returned from Milwaukee on a beautiful Sunday evening, John Seyfried was just returning himself from our own Rosary Procession. He assured me all went well, with 73 participants! I am proud of you, you peacemakers of Our Lady of Fatima. My grateful gaze extends as well to our students, teachers, and even some parents who have assisted at the *daily* October Rosary, as well as the devout who come to adore the Blessed Sacrament and pray with us on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Just one more weekend left! Let us stoke our heavenly thuribles and produce enough "holy smoke" to make any altar boy proud.

For our own Rosary Procession, our intrepid Confraternity President has penned the following, which I could not improve upon: "the Procession was a glorious and triumphant homage to Our Lady of Fatima.... from babes-in-arms to octogenarians, no less than 70 souls took part in a true October procession. Dozens of twinkling candle flames in little blue globes shone out along the line of march behind Our Lady's gleaming image. Both strollers and a wheelchair were included in the procession. I thought of the passage of time as I saw certain little ones who for the first time walked the route, candle in hand, on their own two feet. We wondered that **Fr. Lehtoranta** seemed to be ahead of the usual pace in the recitation of the Rosary, and it seemed that we would finish before we finished the route, but we rejoiced when Father commenced the Litany of Loreto, followed by the St. Joseph prayer, so we actually prayed the complete October Devotions and finished up with perfect timing for the final prayer and blessing."

Today is Mission Sunday. Let us remember that even as the whole world is mission territory anymore, so must we be, all of us, missionaries. We are pledged by our Baptism and Confirmation to engage in what Francis calls the "solemn nonsense of proselytism." Fools for Christ may we be, by speaking up and out, as well as by silent good example, after the manner of the true Francis, St. Francis of Assisi.

Fr. McKenna is our missionary of the moment, and baptized Emily Graff in Grand Forks, ND last week. Our missionary to be, **Rev. Mr. Nkamuke**, is now in his last weeks before ordination. **Fr. McGuire** reports a new possible mission in central Iowa. The work continues, and God is sending laborers to bring in the harvest. Deo Gratias!

Fr. Valeriy Kudriavtsev wrote me last Sunday, Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, to report...the conversion of Russia! Well, not the whole land, but ten souls who live some distance east of Moscow have written him about converting to the true Catholic Church (sedevacantism) from the errors of Russian Orthodoxy. Ten souls! God was willing to spare Sodom for the sake of ten just men. Pray for their perseverance!

May St. Thérèse make *you* a missionary!



✠ THE CALENDAR

All Sunday Masses, school day Masses, Friday evening and Saturday morning Masses are webcast at www.sgg.org

- MON 10/21/13 ST HILARION, AB**
ST URSULA & COMPANIONS, VvMm
11:20 AM High Mass Special Intention for Mr. Gerard Patrick O'Brien-Novena VII (*O'Brien family*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
- TUE 10/22/13 FERIAL DAY**
7:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls (*Kueblers*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls (*G. Keaveney*)
11:20 AM Votive High Mass of the Angels Special Intention for Mr. Gerard Patrick O'Brien-Novena VIII (*O'Brien family*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
- WED 10/23/13 FERIAL DAY**
THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER
11:20 AM Votive High Mass of the Propagation of the Faith †Robert K. Duff-92nd birthday (*Duff family*)
3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary, October Devotions
3:20 PM Benediction, Holy Communion
5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intention for Mr. Gerard Patrick O'Brien-Novena IX (*O'Brien family*)
6:30 PM Choir Practice
- THU 10/24/13 ST RAPHAEL, ARCHANGEL**
7:00 AM Low Mass †Kathleen Sanborn (*Mary V. Omlor*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention (*Christopher Browne*)
11:20 AM High Mass †Theresa Krauss (*M/M Mark Lotarski & family*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
- FRI 10/25/13 Ss CHRYSANTHUS & DARIA, Mm**
8:00 AM Low Mass Special intention (MV) (*Kueblers*)
10:55 AM Confessions
11:20 AM High Mass Happy feast day, Darlene! (*The Fathers*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
5:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:15 PM Rosary & Confessions
5:45 PM Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
6:00 PM Low Mass Special intention-D & M (*G. Keaveney*)
- SAT 10/26/13 OUR LADY'S SATURDAY**
ST EVARISTUS, PM
7:15 AM Confessions
7:30 AM Low Mass Kevin O'Donnell (*Prell family*)
8:05 AM Rosary, Simple Benediction
8:30 AM Sermon, Low Mass Paul & Till Wesselman (*Dale Wilker family*)
- SUN 10/27/13 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING**
PENTECOST XXIII
7:05 AM Rosary

Prayer for Mission Sunday

Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, thou who hast been rightly proclaimed the Patroness of Catholic missions throughout the world, remember the burning desire which thou didst manifest here on earth to plant the Cross of Christ on every shore and to preach the Gospel even to the consummation of the world; we implore thee, according to thy promise, to assist all priests and missionaries and the whole Church of God. Amen.

*An indulgence of 300 days once a day.
A plenary indulgence under the usual conditions, if this prayer is devoutly said every day for a month.
— Raccolta No. 573*



For a Little Missionary.

My God, who gave me this kind gift of Life,
To you I pray!
That some dawn I may find one lost white lamb,
Along the way,
One lamb, that I may hold against my heart,
To hush its bleat,
And carry through the brambles and the mud,
Unto your feet.

— Rosa Zagnoni Marinoni



“I feel that my mission is only beginning;
my mission to make the good God loved as I love
Him, to give my little way to souls.”
— St. Thérèse of Lisieux

- 7:30 AM Low Mass** Thanksgiving for prayers answered (*M/M David Marko*)
8:45 AM Children assemble for All Saints procession
9:00 AM High Mass †Victor J. Meyer-90th birthday remembrance (*Duff family*) **All Saints Party**
11:05 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Low Mass Kevin and his family (*Patton family*)
4:30 PM Vespers, Rosary, Benediction
5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great