

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



Most Reverend Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor
 Rev. Anthony Cekada, Rev. Charles McGuire,
 Rev. Vili Lehtoranta, Rev. Stephen McKenna

February 9, 2014 Epiphany V

St Cyril of Alexandria, BpCD
 St Apollonia, VM



AN ENEMY HATH DONE THIS

¶ TODAY

The blessing of throats in honor of St. Blaise will be given after all Masses; please come to the Communion rail. Sunday Classes are at 10:40 AM. Please patronize our St. Valentine Bake Sale in Helfta Hall.

¶ CANDLEMAS CANDLES

Blessed Candlemas candles are available in the gift shop for a donation of \$9.00.

¶ ALTER CHRISTUS



We received \$280 in alms this month. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

*The faithful who devoutly offer any prayers in honor of the **Most Holy Trinity** with the intention of continuing them for nine successive days, may gain: an indulgence of seven years, once a day; a plenary indulgence on the usual conditions at the end of the Novena. (Raccolta No. 48)*

¶ THE SORROWFUL MOTHER NOVENA



Our tradition of the **Sorrowful Mother Novena** with blessing of the sick opens this **Friday** evening at **6:30 PM** (right after Mass,

followed by Benediction). Call or e-mail the church office with the **first names** of sick friends or family you wish to be remembered during the Novena.

Collection Report

Sunday, February 2nd\$5,283.00
 Second Collection\$1,152.00

Lumen Christi

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

Dillon Family
 (Katharine Dillon)

¶ NEXT SUNDAY

We begin our preparations for Lent with the opening of the short season of Septuagesima. The blessing of expectant mothers is available after all Masses. Sunday Classes as usual, and Vespers at 4:45 PM. There will be a *Girls' Camp Planning Meeting* at 10:40 AM.

Set Your Missal: Septuagesima Sunday, with collects of Our Lady and All Saints, and celebrant's choice. Preface of the Holy Trinity.

*"O God, Thou art all-powerful; make me a saint."
 — St. Alphonsus Liguori
 (An indulgence of 500 days; Raccolta No. 15)*

¶ UPCOMING – MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ★ **Traditional Friday Night Cinema:**
Friday, February 21st: *The Song of Bernadette*, after evening Benediction, refreshments provided; brought to you by A.D. Kinnett.
- ★ **Q & A with Bishop Dolan:**
Sunday, February 23rd at 10:45 AM in Helfta Hall. (Question box provided!)
- ★ **Girls' Camp**
Wednesday, July 9th–Friday, July 11th
- ★ **Boys' Camp**
Tuesday, July 22nd–Thursday, July 24th

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Charles Henry, Pete Gebel, Rory Chamberlain, Elizabeth and Richard Smith, Barb Steinmetz, and all our sick.



A SUNDAY SEVEN FOR THE SICK

Let us pray with special love and concern for all those who are ill or infirm, asking Our Lord and His Blessed Mother, Health of the Sick, for His consoling grace to strengthen the sick in times of trial:

℟. Jesus, mercy! Mary, help!

- When pain or distress is overwhelming: **℟.**
- When the healing process goes slower than hoped: **℟.**
- When terrified by treatments or therapy: **℟.**
- When it's hard to let go of long-held plans: **℟.**
- When the feeling of alienation arises: **℟.**
- When worn out and weary: **℟.**
- When troubled by impatience and negativity: **℟.**

*"Through the Holy Ghost paradise is restored; we can address God as our Father with confidence; we can share in the grace of Christ."
 — St. Basil*

¶ KEEP IN TOUCH

Have you moved recently, or changed your phone numbers or e-mail address since you registered at the parish? Please let us know! We've had a number of bounced e-mails and returned newsletters lately. A quick e-mail or call to the church office will ensure that we have your current contact information.

✠ CATECHISM CORNER:

Read after Mass

I BELIEVE that Jesus always has "compassion on the multitude."

I believe that spiritual depression is the root of all our temporal misery; that social envy, discontent, greed, lack of social justice and charity become widespread in private and public life when men fail to "seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice."

I believe that only Jesus, by the example of His Human Life and the strength of His Divine Grace can supply the ideals and incentive necessary to realize the principles of social justice and social charity.



The Altar Boy's Bell

"I was running someone down (to a priest), saying beastly things of him. Suddenly I noticed that the priest's eyes were shut. 'You are not listening,' I said. He replied, 'I cannot – not to that; you see we are both present at the Mass. Whilst you were trying to make me think ill of X, Christ our Lord was offering Himself up to God to redeem him.'

"But we are not at Mass,' I said...and he said, 'When your thoughts are hard or bitter or sad, let the sanctuary bell silence them. It is always ringing.'"

– Caryll Houselander

SERVERS: FEBRUARY 10 - 16, 2014

FRI 2/14 5:45 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers

SAT 2/15 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons
8:10 AM LOW: M. Briggs

SUN 2/16 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: T.G. Simpson, J. Simpson
ACs: P. Lawrence, L. Arlinghaus
TH: S. Arlinghaus. **TORCH:** C. Richesson, A. Soli, C. Arlinghaus, J. Lacy
11:30 AM LOW: P. Omlor, Nick McClorey
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller



STEADFAST TAPER

(JOB 28:3)

His candle shines upon my head.
He trims the wick and guards the flame
and though the darkness creeps in close
the steadfast taper shines the same.

The flower of flame sways in the air.
Wind fingers snatch and try to snuff
the stalk his careful hands protect.
The light shines through. It is enough.

His candle shines on me in love,
(protective circle in the gloom)
and through the dreadful night I know
that he is with me in the room.

Throughout the weary waiting-time
the liquid flame shines thin and pure.
When tiredness dims my faith, I look
and see his light, and I am sure.

– Luci Shaw



PRAYER TO ASK

OUR LADY'S BLESSING

Bless me, O daughter of the Eternal Father! And obtain for me the grace never to offend my God by my thoughts. Bless me, O Mother of the Eternal Son! And pray that I may never offend my God by my words. Bless me, O Spouse of the Eternal Spirit! And by thy intercession obtain for me that I may never offend my God by my actions or omissions. Bless me, O Sanctuary of the Most Holy Trinity! Pray for me that I may love and serve my God with my whole heart and soul, and that I may enjoy Him for ever hereafter. O Mary! receive me as thy child for the sake of Jesus, Who confided me to thy care in His agony on the Cross. Amen.

– "Prayers of an Irish Mother" (1934)

A VALENTINE

"With much love to Our Lady from Annie May"

Elizabeth buys roses;
Teresa, candles two,–
Offerings on St. Valentine's,
Dear Lady Love, for you!

Oh, candles are so beautiful,
And roses are so sweet!
I wish that I had gifts like these
To lay before your feet.

But all that I can offer,
Dear Lady Love, to-day,
Is – please don't tell the others! –
This heart "from Annie May."

It isn't made of candy,
Of ribbons or of lace;
I've tried to make it clean, though,
Dear Lady full of grace!

I've filled it with my love, too,
And asked Our Lord the while
To bless it, and upon it
To cast a lasting smile.

Perhaps you will accept it,
This little gift of mine?
It's all that I can offer
To you for valentine.

I wish I could buy roses,
Or waxen candles two;
But all that I can give to-day
Is just my heart to you.

– Mary H. Kennedy



NIGHT-TIME PRAYER

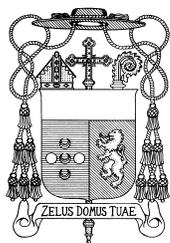
*May the Light of lights come
To my dark heart from thy place;
May the Spirit's wisdom come
To my heart's tablet from my Saviour.*

– Celtic traditional

Holy God, Holy Strong One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us.
To Thee be praise, to Thee be glory, to Thee be thanksgiving
through endless ages, O Blessed Trinity.

(Indulgence of 500 days for each invocation; plenary on the usual conditions, if either is recited daily with devotion for an entire month. – Raccolta No. 16)

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠



Buckeye Chuck did not see his shadow Sunday, so they say, Spring must surely be on its way. It was more elegantly sung by the English in the ages of Faith: "If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, go Winter, and come not again." Last week's heavy snows and ice storm are perhaps Winter's last hurrah. But surely they are sent by God for some good and loving purpose, be it only that the odd (or, this year, regular) snow day is a chance for a change, some silence even for the soul, as there is in the first few hours after it falls. Spring will be here soon enough. Each season brings it beauty, its graces, and its crosses for our sanctification.

Our Candlemas was "fair and bright" within last Sunday, as we blessed and processed with candles for the coming of the Light of the World by His most pure Mother. Our 40th day of Christmas closed that joyous season all too soon for us, but still with Solemn Mass and afternoon Vespers. Keep Christmas in your heart as we continue our Novena to the Infant of Prague, and invoke the little Dr. Jesus for our sick. Lent looms, though. Friday evening we start the Sorrowful Mother Novena and the Blessing of the Sick.

On Monday an enthusiastic crew came to hear Mass for St. Blaise and get their throats blessed, and stayed to take down Christmas, pack it up and put it away until next year, God willing. Well done. Thank you all!

Today we're thinking about throats and Winter ills, and asking God's blessing through His saints against all illness. We invoke the Holy Helper St. Blaise for our throats, as well as Our Lady of Lourdes for our sick. Remember our shut in, and recommend them to God in prayer along with the sick. Don't forget today's St. Apollonia against toothache!

Fr. Thielen (who tenderly cares for the sick, over a great distance) had lunch with us the other day, and gave us greetings from Ruth Higdon, now 94, and residing in Columbus. Pete Gebel has been sick for a while and needs our prayers, as does Charlie Henry, facing surgery. Elizabeth Smith had a brief hospital stay last week, and Richard a fall. Support them, too, with a prayer, a card, a call. Barb Steinmetz had a fall as well, but is recovering. **Fr. McGuire** keeps up pretty well with her, as well as a neighbor of hers, who attended St. Gertrude's back in Sharonville. Loraine Gates is also in our "remarkable nineties" club, and is receiving Holy Communion regularly from Father. Janet Clementi has made a

remarkable recovery of her faculties, and now sweetly and regularly received Our Lord.

Due to weather, Fr. McGuire had to cancel his Mass for the Sisters in Saybrook, Illinois last Sunday, but we didn't mind having him here. I'm at his St. Hugh Church in Milwaukee for this First Friday weekend. **Fr. Cekada** leaves this afternoon for his teaching week at the sunny seminary of the Most Holy Trinity: **Fr. McKenna** has gone to Louisiana for Mass today at Our Lady of the Rosary. Our friend **Fr. Francis Miller, OFM**, in his unquenchable zeal, is visiting South Africa and the little remnant of Fr. Leslie's flock there. On the other side of the world, **Fr. Ercoli**, an independent priest in Seattle, says his congregation at Holy Redeemer Chapel is doubled now in size since he first went to serve them a few years ago. Deo Gratias. **Fr. Hecquard** in France has preached his very first retreat, to two ladies. The retreat is based upon the Spiritual Exercises of St. Gertrude the Great.

Great interest and enthusiasm for the Summer Camps this year! We would like to hear from you. Please take a moment to fill out the questionnaire today and drop it off at the office this week or next Sunday. We have some fine fundraising ideas, and the Sisters of St. Thomas Aquinas have again very kindly promised to assist at the Girls' Camp.

Thank you for your help with our St. Valentine Bake Sale today. Pray to St. Valentine for our young, and not so young, to find a fitting mate according to God's Holy Will. Don't forget Tuesday's Solemn Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes. Happy Second Anniversary, Fr. McKenna!

February *could be* a boring month for some, perhaps, if we are just waiting around for Spring and Lent to come in March. But let the Month of the "Purification by Sacrifice" (the meaning of February) allow you to focus on daily devotions and saints, sacrifice and daily life in the spirit of the Church. Soon enough the seasons will change again. Already next Sunday, we get out the purple for Septuagesima and start to prepare ourselves for the soul's springtime.

May God, the Catholic God who is the Adorable Trinity, fill you up with Himself!

– Bishop Dolan



"In the face of the too real dangers that surround me I repeat:

'Lord, I have placed all my hope in You.

I will never be confounded.'"

– Father Damien de Veuster

✠ THE CALENDAR

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

MON	2/10/14	ST SCHOLASTICA, V
	11:20 AM	High Mass †Ida Youngworth-Birthday remembrance (<i>Diane Puglielli</i>)
TUE	2/11/14	OUR LADY OF LOURDES
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls-gratitude-Kyle & friends (<i>DJR</i>)
	11:20 AM	Solemn High Mass Fr. McKenna's intentions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass †Rose Marie Donadio (<i>Jane & Rob Brockman</i>)
WED	2/12/14	THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls-gratitude-Eric, Guisella (<i>DJR</i>)
	11:20 AM	High Mass My nieces & nephews (<i>Sharon</i>)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass †Fred Cordova (<i>G. Keaveney</i>)
	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
THU	2/13/14	FERIAL DAY
☛	6:00 AM	Low Mass Charles Current family (<i>Samantha</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Nadine's intentions (<i>C. Henry</i>)
	11:20 AM	Votive High Mass of the Blessed Sacrament Poor forgotten Souls (<i>G. Keaveney</i>)
☛	7:00 PM	Restoration Radio—"Work of Human Hands," Fr. Cekada
FRI	2/14/14	ST VALENTINE, PRM
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Stella Simpson-2nd anniversary (<i>Tom & Karen Simpson</i>)
	10:55 AM	Confessions
☛	11:00 AM	Restoration Radio-Liturgical Year with Fr. McGuire
	11:20 AM	High Mass Special int. Barkley family (<i>G. Keaveney</i>)
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:35 PM	Infant of Prague Novena VIII
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Special intention & Poor Souls (<i>Frances Mattingly</i>)
	6:30 PM	Sorrowful Mother Novena, Blessing of Sick
	6:45 PM	Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
SAT	2/15/14	EPIPHANY VI (ANTICIPATED) SS FAUSTINA & JOVITA, MM <i>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, REFUGE OF SINNERS</i>
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Nellie Sutton (<i>Simpson family</i>)
	8:10 AM	Sermon, Low Mass †James Dunphy-month's mind (<i>Samantha</i>)
SUN	2/16/14	SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass Doris & Victor Ritze (<i>Joseph Kunkel family</i>)
	9:00 AM	High Mass †Nellie Sutton (<i>SGG Rosary Confraternity</i>)
	10:40 AM	Sunday Classes; Girls' Camp Meeting
	11:05 AM	Rosary
	11:30 AM	Low Mass Andrew Schneider family (<i>Rob & Jane Brockman</i>)

✠ BISHOP SANBORN'S CORNER

THE RECOGNIZE AND RESIST POSITION

WARNING: EXTREME DANGER OF APOSTASY

1. They plant all of the logic of the necessity to join the Novus Ordo.
2. They reduce the position of Catholic resistance to Modernism to one of being merely a preference for some liturgical traditions, and/or being the conservative wing of the Novus Ordo reformation.
3. Apostasy, not merely a heresy but an *apostasy*, since, through ecumenism, the novus ordo denies all dogma by the very destruction of the notion and principle of dogma; e.g., we saw this spirit of apostasy in the immortal words of Francis: "There is no Catholic God."
4. In addition, the SSPX faithful are subjected to the una cum Mass, which is to offer the Holy Sacrifice in union with a hierarchy which has defected into heresy and apostasy. The una cum Mass equates "Pope Francis" with Our Lord Jesus Christ, inasmuch as it associates the apostate with the action of Jesus Christ as the Eternal High Priest. For we must never forget that Christ is the principal offerer of every Mass, and that the ordained priest is merely His minister and tool in the sacred action. To place the apostate's name in the Canon is to assert that the apostate Bergoglio is legitimately empowered by Christ Himself to offer the pleasing sacrifice to God His Father, and to represent Him [Christ] at the altar of God. No one has to be a theologian in order to understand that such an assertion, in the very center of the most sacred action of the Mass, is most displeasing to God. *It is a lie, a sacrilege (ed. note).*

SOLUTION?

SEDEVACANTISM turns the faithful away from these apostates, and protects them. Sedevacantists have no inclination to be reconciled with persons whom they consider to be bogus clergy. Sedevacantism, moreover, keeps the heretics and apostates out of the Holy Mass, and does not declare the blasphemy that these destroyers of our holy religion are in fact our legitimate representatives at the altar of God, and cooperate with Jesus Christ in the offering of the Catholic Mass.



The following Masses were offered by Fr. McGuire:

Fr. Bede Nkamuke-Thank you (*Hervé and Cecilia*)
Thanksgiving to all our patron saints & guardian angels (*Hervé and Cecilia*)
For our families, friends & all who prayed for us and our little Marie-Thank you (*Hervé and Cecilia*)

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4:45 PM **Vespers & Benediction**

5:45 PM **Low Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great