

# 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. Vili Lehtoranta, Rev. Stephen McKenna

## June 1, 2014 Sunday Within the Octave of the Ascension

St Angela Merici, V



THE PARACLETE, WHOM I WILL SEND YOU  
FROM THE FATHER

### ¶ SUNDAY OF THE ROSES

Our regular monthly second collection to support the Seminary is taken up at the Offertory. The blessing of religious articles is available after all Masses at the communion rail. Our final Sunday classes are at 10:40 AM, and Vespers at 4:45 PM, followed by Benediction.

### ¶ ALTER CHRISTUS

 The "little church" is in the vestibule today to receive your alms for the support and sanctification of priests.

### ¶ THURSDAY: DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR CONFIRMANDS

All children who are Confirmation candidates *must* attend the **Day of Recollection** on **Thursday** beginning at **9:00 AM**. *Please be on time!* Candidates should be in Sunday clothes and must bring: a lunch, Mass book, and Rosary. The day ends with Benediction at 3:00 PM. Parents and sponsors are invited!

### ¶ FIRST FRIDAY: JUNE 6TH

**8:00 AM** Low Mass  
**10:55 AM** Confessions  
**11:20 AM** Low Mass, Benediction  
**5:00 PM** Exposition  
**5:15 PM** Confessions and Rosary  
**5:45 PM** Low Mass, First Friday devotions, Sacred Heart Novena  
Remember, there is *no All-Night Adoration* (transferred to June 20th, the Friday within the Octave of Corpus Christi).

### Lumen Christi

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

**Living & deceased members  
of the Peschi family**  
(Edward C. Peschi)

### ¶ FIRST SATURDAY: JUNE 7TH

#### VIGIL OF PENTECOST

**First Saturday** this year falls on the Vigil of Pentecost (a day of Fast and Partial Abstinence). You are invited to the beautiful Vigil Mass and ceremonies of Confirmation, beginning at 8:00 AM. The **Mass**, at which you can make your First Saturday Communion, will start about **9:30 AM**. Refreshments will be available in Helfta Hall at the conclusion of the day's ceremonies. Those who attend the Pontifical Vigil are dispensed from the fast, but not from the partial abstinence, meat taken only once, at the principal meal.

*First Saturday intention: Reparation for blasphemies against Our Lady's perpetual Virginit.*

### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST

First Holy Communion takes place at the High Mass. Vespers of Pentecost are sung at 4:45 PM, followed by Benediction. Sunday Classes are finished for the season.

**Set Your Missal:** Pentecost Sunday, *Vidi Aquam*, Preface and special Hanc Igitur and Communicantes of Pentecost. **Veni Creator** is sung before the High Mass.

*In the Old Law, God had one dwelling place in the world, one place where He wished sacrifice to be offered: the temple in Jerusalem. In the New Law, God has a new dwelling place, far more beautiful, and in that place He desires us to make our sacrifices. This place is the Sacred Heart of Jesus.*

— Rev. Anthony Wolf, *Meditations*

### ¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Gary Amyx, Tom Payne, Richard and Elizabeth Smith, H.O. Hinton, a former parishioner with special intentions, and one fallen-away young parishioner.

### ¶ ADOPT A STATION!

Now that our outdoor Stations of the Cross are all spruced up with fresh plantings, let's keep them that way. Adopt a station, and visit it once a week; weed it and keep it looking nice. These are the Stations still available: I, II, III, V, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI and XIV. Let us know which one you would like. The completed list will be published in the bulletin.

### ¶ FATHERS DAY REMEMBRANCES

If you wish to have your father remembered in a special way at Holy Mass on Fathers Day, fill out an envelope (available in the pews) and return to an usher or the Gift Shop today, or drop it off at the church office by Friday, June 13th.

### Collection Report

Sunday, May 25th .....\$3,352.00

**THE “EASTER PART” OF MASS**

**The Post-Communion:** The priest returns to the side of the altar and there reads the Post-Communion. This prayer symbolizes *the forty days that Jesus remained upon earth after His resurrection.* During these forty days our Saviour taught the Apostles and continued His office of Divine Mediator by interceding for us in prayer to His heavenly Father.

The hands of the priest are raised toward heaven during the Post-Communion to represent this mystery of mercy and intercession. The position of the hands, in the form of a cross, reminds us also that it is the crucified Jesus who intercedes for us.

**The Last Dominus Vobiscum:** After the Post-Communion, the priest goes to the middle of the altar. He turns once more to the people and says, for the last time, “*Dominus vobiscum.*” Here we think of *our Lord going to the Mount of Olives, and of His last discourse to His Apostles before His ascension.*

Jesus walks with His Apostles for the last time here on earth. He wishes them peace. He gives them a last farewell instruction. And, like a father who is about to depart from his children, never more to return, He leaves them also His last will and testament: “*...teach ye all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.*”

The Apostles are sorrowful. But Jesus consoles them in this supreme hour of their separation by reminding them that He will be with them always, and by giving them, and their successors, His divine guarantees of infallibility – His last words here upon earth:

*“And behold, I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world.”*

**The Placeat:** After the “*Ite, Missa est*” the priest turns to the altar, humbly makes a moderate inclination of the gbody, and says the **Placeat** (*may it be pleasing to Thee*, a prayer to the Blessed

Trinity). It is symbolic of *the prayer of the Apostles assembled in the Uper Room where they prepared themselves for the coming of the Holy Ghost.*

Seven times during the Mass the priest addressed the people with “*Dominus vobiscum* (The Lord be with you),” and seven times there arose from the hearts of the faithful the response, “*et cum spiritu tuo* (and with thy spirit),” imploring the coming of the Divine Paraclete. These devout aspirations are about to be answered.



PLÁCEAT tibi, sancta Trínitas, obséquium servitútis meæ: et præsta; ut sacrificium, quod óculis tuæ majestátis indígnus óbtuli, tibi sit acceptábile, mihíque et ómnibus, pro quibus illud óbtuli, sit, te miseránte, propitiábile. Per Christum, Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

(May the performance of my homage be pleasing to Thee, O holy Trinity: and grant that the Sacrifice which I, though unworthy, have offered up in the sight of Thy Majesty, may be acceptable to Thee, and through Thy mercy, be a propitiation for me, and for all those for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

**Our Beloved Dead – June**

Name	Date of Death
Rose Gough	6-03-2001
Dr. Philip Binzel	6-06-2003
Joyce Rentschler	6-06-2009
Betty C. Wilson	6-10-1998
Filomena Murawski	6-13-1998
Peter Francis Butler	6-14-1989
Fairbanks Blanton	6-19-1990
Gwyn Ritze	6-22-1998
Jacob A. Nies	6-23-1991



**June is the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**AFTER THE ASCENSION**

Ascension Thursday: gone again.  
My usual panic every year  
Sets in as the Easter season ends;  
I'd hoped to reconcile everything,  
To feel, just once, grace tremble near,  
In a resurrected, fiery ring.

But dry distraction settles in,  
And with a crow's beak pecks my breast  
With hungers and regrets. Small sins,  
On which I'd neither think nor cry  
In ordinary time, impress  
Themselves, while my unsettled eyes

Are elsewhere turned. But, suddenly  
robbed  
Of His face after these un-tombed  
forty  
Days – intimate meals now that the mob  
Had killed and left him with its dread—  
My stare falls on the table emptied  
Of His presence.

What now, now that He's fled?  
– James Matthew Wilson



**SAINT JOAN**

You felt so afraid,  
so all alone  
in the dungeon  
of disbelief  
mistrust,  
daggers thrust  
into your confidence.  
Your cheek  
you turned  
against the splinters  
of the stake  
and there it stayed  
and burned.  
  
Charred body's  
what was left  
to tell the story of your death.  
But of your life,  
what could we say?

Not a fallen soldier  
but a burnt and blackened bride  
went to paradise  
that day.

– Rita A. Simmons

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## ✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

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This Sunday finds us again on our knees, praying the best possible way by invoking the Holy Ghost in preparation for Pentecost. Please do pray for our Confirmands. The little ones meet with me, as is customary, this Thursday. Some adults will be joining them. The Holy Ghost comes in Confirmation this Saturday, First Saturday. We should also remember in prayer four of our future priests who are receiving the first or second set of the Minor Orders Saturday morning from Bishop Sanborn at Most Holy Trinity Seminary. May the Holy Ghost guide them safely to God's altar, and all of us finally to Heaven.

Surely it was the Holy Ghost who inspired so wonderful a holiday – more truly a *holy* day – which we had at church this past Monday, Memorial Day. What a success! Our “last minute inspiration” caught on, and, as in the best of projects, we began with prayer. It's been a long time since we've seen so excellent an attendance for Memorial Day, with its memory of all of our dead, the dear veterans and the forgotten “collateral damage,” especially; or for a Rogation Day with its “prayer procession” and Mass. After that, down to work, and again on our knees! The ground at each outdoor station was carefully cultivated, enriched and planted with perennials and a petunia or two. The sun grew strong, the humidity, too, as we neared completion. The cooking crew came to the rescue and the traditional Memorial Day fare was grilled and blessed, and we all enjoyed a refreshing late lunch together before heading home to rest. I did a little gardening myself. I think I had forgotten what hard work it is. Thank you for *your* hard work to beautify our shrines. Thank you for praying with us in the beauty of holiness.

Remember that our All Night Adoration will **not** be this First Friday as usual, but rather Friday, June 20th, for both June and July. However, the regular schedule of Masses **will** be offered on Friday, permitting *you* to offer the Sacred Heart your Holy Communion of Reparation at 8:00 or 11:20 AM or 5:45 PM. The one Mass for First Saturday is the Pontifical Mass, a very beautiful vigil for the great feast of Pentecost. Don't be discouraged by this, but come and watch and pray with us. The vigil starts at 8:00 AM, Holy Mass at about 9:30, with Confirmations following, but certainly not obligatory for all. It is a wonderful thing to make and remake our First Saturdays as Our Lady requests.

The Sisters of Our Lady of Reparation have purchased a house just a few minutes from church in Springfield, and will be moving here this month. We look

forward to their cheery and prayerful presence with us at St. Gertrude the Great.

**Fr. Cekada** heads down to Florida today for the last of his teaching weeks. This is, as well, the last week of our little St. Gertrude the Great school. How sorry we will be to see our devout scholars depart for the Summer! Still, we know everybody needs a rest and a change, and send our teachers and students alike home with our sincere thanks and good wishes. Due to the late Easter this year, it seems everyone is heading out especially early. How quiet will our halls be. Also due to the late Easter, First Holy Communion will be next Sunday, Pentecost. Still, we will all meet together, God willing, for our Corpus Christi Sunday Solemnity, which will close our season with the customary Blessed Sacrament procession.

The cats are in full swing in their season, spending long wearisome hours hunting in the high grass, and never a word of complaint. **Caravaggio** continues unperturbed at the killdeer's accusatory cries and peremptory attacks. If he were a person, he would probably speak to one of our local lawyers about getting a restraining order against the aggressive birds. No such luck for the bunnies, however. They are a quiet bunch. Caravaggio came in whining the other evening with a rather large dead baby bunny in his mouth, which he plopped down in Fr. Cekada's room. Fulsome praise for our feline sentry followed, as Father disposed of the poor creature. Later in the dusk I thought I saw the mother bunny looking for its young. The ways of nature...

Let us open together our Month of the Sacred Heart, and persevere in this devotion, so dear to St. Gertrude the Great, throughout all of June. “Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make our hearts like unto Thine.”

A blessed June. Come, Holy Ghost!

– Bishop Dolan



**C**OME, Holy Ghost, Sanctifier all powerful, God of love, Thou who didst fill the Virgin Mary with grace, Thou who didst wonderfully transform the hearts of the Apostles, Thou who didst endow all Thy martyrs with a miraculous heroism, come and sanctify us. Illumine our minds, strengthen our wills, purify our consciences, rectify our judgements, set our hearts on fire, and preserve us from the misfortune of resisting Thine inspirations. Amen.

(An indulgence of 500 days – Raccolta No. 290)

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# ✠ THE CALENDAR

*All Sunday Masses, school day Masses, Friday evening and Saturday morning Masses are webcast at [www.sgg.org](http://www.sgg.org)*

<b>MON</b>	<b>6/2/14</b>	<b>ST MARCELLINUS &amp; COMPANIONS, MM</b> WITHIN THE OCTAVE      PENTECOST NOVENA IV <i>ST KEVIN, C</i>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Priest's personal intention
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Poor Souls ( <i>Sharon</i> )
	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Bishop's Mass in honor of St. Kevin, for Fr. Vaillancourt, my brother, and Kevin O'Donnell
<b>TUE</b>	<b>6/3/14</b>	<b>WITHIN THE OCTAVE</b> PENTECOST NOVENA V
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Priest's personal intention
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Priest's personal intention
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Happy Birthday Bishop Dolan ( <i>Sharon</i> )
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Papa-Happy Birthday ( <i>Samantha</i> )
<b>WED</b>	<b>6/4/14</b>	<b>ST FRANCIS CARACCILO, C</b> WITHIN THE OCTAVE      PENTECOST NOVENA VI
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Priest's personal intention
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> †Robert Wolf ( <i>Keith &amp; Karla Lawrence</i> )
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Bobby DeChristofaro ( <i>Rob &amp; Jane Brockman</i> )
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>6/5/14</b>	<b>OCTAVE DAY OF THE ASCENSION</b> <b>FIRST THURSDAY</b> ST BONIFACE, BpM      PENTECOST NOVENA VII
	<b>6:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Special intention deceased ( <i>Samantha</i> )
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> My sons' conversion ( <i>Judy Metz</i> )
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Opening of Confirmands' Day of Recollection</b>
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Alter Christus-for the sanctification of priests
	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction</b>
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Marie Meyer ( <i>Jeff Duff</i> )
<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/6/14</b>	<b>ST NORBERT, BpC</b> <b>FIRST FRIDAY</b> PENTECOST NOVENA VIII
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Joyce Rentschler-5th anniversary, †Elmer and †Evelyn ( <i>DJR</i> )
	<b>10:55 AM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Clergy, teachers & benefactors of SGG School- Thank you ( <i>McCloy family</i> ) <b>Benediction</b>
	<b>5:15 PM</b>	<b>Confessions &amp; Rosary</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Pat Harpen-month's mind ( <i>Samantha</i> ) <b>First Friday Devotions</b> <i>N.B. No All-Night Adoration</i>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>6/7/14</b>	<b>VIGIL OF PENTECOST</b> <b>FIRST SATURDAY</b> PENTECOST NOVENA IX
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>First Saturday Rosary &amp; Devotions, Closing of Pentecost Novena</b>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Pentecost Vigil</b>
	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Pontifical Mass</b> Happy Mothers Day Mom! ( <i>Brueggemann girls</i> ) <b>followed by Confirmation,</b>

## THE SUNDAY OF THE ROSES

In the middle-ages, the Sunday within the Octave of the Ascension was called the Sunday of Roses, because it was the custom to strew the pavement of the churches with roses as a homage to Christ who ascended to heaven when earth was in the season of flowers. How well the Christians of those times appreciated the harmony that God has set between the world of grace and that of nature! The feast of the Ascension is one of gladness and jubilation, and spring's loveliest days are made for its celebration. Our forefathers had the spirit of the Church; they forgot, for a moment, the sadness of poor earth at losing her Emmanuel and they remembered how He said to His apostles: "If you loved Me, you would be glad, because I go to the Father!" Let us do in like manner: let us offer to Jesus the roses wherewith He has beautified our earth; their beauty and fragrance should make us think of Him who made them, of Him who calls Himself the flower of the field and the lily of the valleys. He loved to be called Jesus of Nazareth; for Nazareth means a flower; and the symbol would tell us what a charm and sweetness there is in Him whom we serve and love as our God.



— Dom Gueranger, "The Liturgical Year"

**Servers: JUNE 2 - 8, 2014**

<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/6</b>	<b>5:45 PM Low:</b> Friday Night Servers
<b>SAT</b>	<b>6/7</b>	<b>8:00 AM PONTIFICAL:</b> MCs: R. Vande Ryt, T.G. Simpson, T. Simpson TH: B. Lotarski ACs: N. McCloy, A. Richesson CROSS: A. Soli MITRE: P. Omlor CROZIER: J. Lacy TRAIN / GREMALE: C. Richesson BOOK: J. Simpson BUGIA: M. Simpson TORCH: C. Richesson, M. Simpson, N. & P. McCloy, A. Soli
<b>SUN</b>	<b>6/8</b>	<b>7:30 AM Low:</b> Brueggemann Bros. <b>9:00 AM PONTIFICAL:</b> MCs: R. Vande Ryt, T. Simpson ACs: L. Arlinghaus, B. Lotarski TH: S. Arlinghaus CROSS: P. Lawrence MITRE: A. Richesson CROZIER: N. McCloy TRAIN / GREMALE: C. Richesson BOOK: J. Simpson BUGIA: M. Simpson TORCH: C. Arlinghaus, C. Rios, A. Soli, N. & P. McCloy, J. Lacy, P. Omlor, M. Simpson <b>11:30 AM Low:</b> A.D. Kinnett, N. Puglielli <b>4:45 PM VESPERS &amp; BENEDICTION:</b> G. Miller <b>5:45 PM Low:</b> G. Miller

## Enrollment in the Brown Scapular; Photos and Refreshments

<b>SUN</b>	<b>6/8/14</b>	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>
	<b>7:05 AM</b>	<b>Rosary</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Rob & Jane Brockman ( <i>Children</i> )
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude the Great, especially our First Communicants
	<b>11:05 AM</b>	<b>Rosary</b>
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> 2013-14 Catechism Classes: Thank you, teachers, Perseverance for our students ( <i>Sharon</i> )
	<b>4:45 PM</b>	<b>Vespers and Benediction</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Poor Soul requesting prayers ( <i>Katie Bischak</i> )